

Prayer Guide – Praying for our Pastor/Speaker

Preparation and Spiritual Protection

- Pray that God will give him strength and focus in preparation as he approaches each week's worship and teaching theme.
- Give special attention to his preparation in the weekly themes in the Five Purposes during 40 Days of Purpose.
- Pray God will protect Pastor/Speaker from distractions that limit his personal spiritual preparation.
- Pray for the binding of demonic powers which press against him in fatigue, illness, mechanical or technical problems.
- Pray for mental peace or focus.
- Claim God's protection for Pastor/Speaker from increased pastoral needs that detract from the priority focuses.
- Pray that Pastor/Speaker will feel, as well as know from his beliefs, that the Spirit of the living Christ is in him.
- Pray he will be lifted above his own thoughts to new insights delivered to him for us in his leadership and teaching in the emphases of the 40 Days of Purpose!

Pre-service

- Pray for the pastor's interaction with members and visitors in greeting and fellowship.
- Pray for the persons he talks with as you see him moving about the sanctuary before the music begins.
- Pray that Pastor/Speaker will feel relaxed and comfortable as he prepares for the worship service.
- Pray that he will have a focus time with the Lord in personal prayer and worship as the service begins.

Before the Message

- Pray for Pastor/Speaker during the early parts of the service, as he worships in preparation.
- Pray that he will not be distracted by administrative details during the service.
- Pray for Pastor/Speaker as he focuses on the words of the songs, watching for tie-in themes or emphases for the theme of his sermon.

Prayer, Welcome and Announcements

- Pray for him and with him as he leads the worshipping body in prayer.
- Pray that the pastor will be at ease and receive just the right words for the unique gathering of souls this morning.

Preaching

- Pray that the scripture he reads will catch each worshipper's attention as God's message for the day.
- Pray that Pastor/Speaker will be focused and clear for hearing God's word as he delivers it to us.
- Pray for confidence in the preparation he has made, and in the presence of the Spirit to guide his delivery.
- Pray for comfort and quick thought to have the exact words to express his understanding of each sentence of the message for us.
- Pray for discernment of individual response, and God's leading in wording or direction of the theme he has prepared.

Response

- Pray for Pastor/Speaker's concluding presentation of the challenge of the message.
- Pray for response by each worshipper to God's specific call to them from the message.