

OUR VISION FOR THE 40 DAYS

UNITED IN PRAYER UNITED IN MISSION

Crosspoint Family,

God is moving us into an exciting season together as a church.

Since September 2019, we have been in a re-visioning process and have spent time listening to the voice of the Spirit. Indeed, He has offered us guidance through you, his people, and we know that you have been faithful to pray for your church leadership throughout this process.

But the time has come for us to focus our prayers with even greater precision and unity.

For this reason, we believe God is calling us all to 40 days of prayer and fasting together. This guide will help unite us as we pray in the same direction and read the same passages of Scripture together. Wherever you are, know that our church family is reading and praying on the same matters.

In addition to these individual times of prayer, we will be gathering corporately as a church, weekly over these 40 days. You will find a schedule attached to this guide, in our app, and on our website. Please gather with us as often as able.

Crosspoint Church's best days are ahead, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to seek God with you in the new year!


Josh Ratliff | Lead Pastor



Schedule of Gatherings

- starts at 6:30pm -

January 1 | Timberlake
Campus

January 8 | Timberlake
Campus

January 15 | Altavista
Campus

January 22 | Timberlake
Campus

January 29 | Altavista
Campus

February 5 | Timberlake
Campus

More resources online and in the app!

CP PRAYER GUIDE

PRAYER AND FASTING FOR 40 DAYS

WE ARE ONE CHURCH IN 3 LOCATIONS. JOIN US ALL IN MEDITATING ON THESE PASSAGES AND PRAYING IN THESE AREAS OF FOCUS. THIS GUIDE LAYS OUT A FOCUS FOR EACH DAY.

	M	T	W	TH	F
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M PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

Consider what it means to have encouragement and fellowship in Christ. What is your place in this?

Search out your motivations, interests, and concerns regarding church. **Behold** the supreme example of Jesus Christ. **Pray** that we all have a unified mindset so that we begin to serve one another like Christ would in all our gatherings as a church.

T REVELATION 7:9-17

Drink in the vision of heaven with vast multitudes from every nation, tribe, people, and tongue.

Imagine yourself there. **Consider** what it would take for us to reflect that future vision and serve to add to that multitude in heaven. **Pray** that we are equally entranced with the goodness of God's salvation and His Lamb so that we would count any earthly cost worth serving His vision now.

W DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9

What would it take to raise a generation with love for God like this?

Imagine yourself among the ancient Hebrews constantly discussing and teaching God's Word with their children - what do you see and hear? **Own the responsibility** that's on us *all* to teach them. **Pray** for Crosspoint parents & kids to live out their love for God in their homes & neighborhoods.

TH MATTHEW 11:28-30

Bring others into the beautiful rest of Jesus, for which their souls long.

Recall at least 3 people you know that need to move from oppression to shalom. **Consider** their state, challenges, and emotions. **Pray** for them to hear His invitation to rest. **Pray** for the courage to invite them to Crosspoint during these next 40 days.

F LUKE 11:9-13

Are you stunned by the ease of God's goodness? That we can ask so simply, and He simply gives?

Consider the simplicity of the language and how the Lord simply gives in response, even giving His own Spirit! **Behold** the goodness of God to those who need Him. **Ask** our Father for more of the Holy Spirit's direction in our corporate gatherings and empowering us to serve His Kingdom.

WEEK 2 JAN. 6 - JAN. 12

3 LOCATIONS, 1 CHURCH UNITED IN PRAYER

M ISAIAH 1:8-20

Consider God's tone and the shocking way He regards His peoples' worship in that moment.

Search out the discrepancy between your outer religion and your internal life. **Repent** of our injustices against one another and from looking the other way on the issues among our body. **Pray** for willingness, obedience, and true worship among us.

T ROMANS 10:8-15

Hear the Spirit's searching logic: no one can believe without hearing. Are you going and speaking?

Consider: are you playing your part in the lives of others? **Ask** the Spirit to make Christ's good news burn bright in your heart and stay ready in your mouth. **Pray** that God fill our church with this same readiness for the gospel and increasingly send us into His mission wherever it may take us.

W 1 TIMOTHY 4:6 - 5:2

Consider how we train in godliness, which is beneficial in every way - both in this life and the next.

What is it about godliness that's valuable in this life & the next? **Envision** how we may train the next generation in godliness. **Own** that you are here to engage them and train them. **Pray** for those we train to be examples for all believers in speech, conduct, love, faithfulness, & purity.

TH LUKE 10:25-37

Jesus "re-neighbors" us to everyone we meet. There is no longer a soul we may pass by without loving.

Search out your motivations, interests, and concerns. Would you be one that passes by for other concerns? **Pray** for those in your 3 places who need to experience the Lord's compassion & mercy. **Pray** you become that compassion. **Pray** for the courage to step in & meet their needs.

F ISAIAH 41:17-18; 44:1-5

Feel the desperate thirst of walking in a desert. Seek the Spirit that is Living Water.

Consider our poverty of spirit, our thirsts, and our desperate need for the Holy Spirit. Is that need as real to you as the text describes? **Behold** the availability of the Spirit for us who know need. **Pray** for the outpouring of Spirit, a flowing stream of His presence, that remakes all of us as His own.

WEEK 3 JAN. 13 - JAN. 19

3 LOCATIONS, 1 FAMILY UNITED IN MISSION

M ACTS 2:37-47

Consider the marks of the early church's community. What most captures your attention and desire?

Consider what marks our own community and what similarity or difference you see between us and them. **Own the responsibility** to create this kind of community, not ask others for it. **Pray** for the cultivation of this same devotion in our community of believers.

T ACTS 4:1-31

Could our church rise to be like this? May others immediately know we all have been with Jesus.

Pray about the details of this passage that stand out to you: the trials, the numbers that believe, the boldness of their claims (v.9-12), or their refusal to back down. **Consider** what people discover in you: though uneducated & ordinary, perhaps, they will instantly recognize you've been with Jesus.

W PSALM 78:1-8

May we not hide what we have heard & learned. May our children start generations of change.

Consider how to make God's acts a regular part of conversation in your family. **Imagine** the generations that our kids could raise and change. **Pray** for flourishing NextGen ministries at all of our campuses, including vision, leadership, volunteers, and children confident in God and living for Him!

TH LUKE 15:1-31

Consider if you are right now the kind of person searching with Heaven or indicted by Jesus' parables.

Join Heaven in the joy of the search and in growing in compassion like our God. **Own the responsibility** to join Him beyond only personal piety and devotion. **Pray** for the heart of the Father in each of us, for His eyes and His willingness to pursue even one more at any expense to ourselves.

F ROMANS 8:11-14

Drink in the reality of God's power at work in us through His Spirit who lives within us all.

Pray that the Holy Spirit lead us as children of God and that the Spirit teach us how to live by Him. **Pray** that the power of sin and the deeds of sinful nature are put to death in yourself personally and in all the members of our church. **Cry to our Father** for the work of His Spirit!

M EPHESIANS 4:1-6

Consider each term Paul uses to describe the worthy life. Do you understand what each requires?

Consider: are these the same marks that make a life worthy in your eyes? **Repent** of any definitions of a “worthy” life that are less than God’s calling & invite the Spirit to create a new understanding in you. **Pray** the Spirit create urgency in us all to walk worthy of our calling, especially in unity.

T HAGGAI 1

Consider what we are withholding from the mission of God & what we must give of ourselves for it.

Absorb the full impact of God’s message to His people in that day. What were they doing? What was the result? **Determine** to engage in “work on the house of the Lord of Armies” with new resolve. **Pray** the Lord “rouse the spirit” of all our leaders, peoples, & members once again for His work.

W LUKE 2:46-52

A generation that is about God’s business and growing in wisdom & in stature, with God & people.

Ask if you could have been such a child - what would that have required those raising you? **Behold** the supreme example of Jesus Christ growing in wisdom, stature, and favor. **Pray** that all our children & teens increase in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and the people around them.

TH REVELATION 20:11-15

Start first in Revelation 20:11-15, meditate here, then continue to Revelation 21:1-7 and intercede.

Drink in the reality of what will one day happen to the names we’ve written down & prayed over these last few weeks. **Drink** in the fullness of what can be found for those whose name is written in the Book of Life. **Pray** over the names you’ve written that their names would be written in His Book.

F JOHN 15:1-5

Invite the conviction of the Spirit and the fruit of the ones who remain in Him.

Search out ways you abide in Christ & do not abide in Christ. Do not leave too quickly the conviction of the Holy Spirit. **Repent** if need be. **Pray** for the Spirit to convict us all of the ways we are not abiding in Christ as a church. **Ask** the Spirit to create new fruit in us as we abide in Christ together.

M 1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-34

Consider the charge that begins and ends today's text. What is so toxic about their behaviors?

Realize the shocking reality of our divisions: when we divide the body by our attitudes, words, or actions, we drink judgment on ourselves. **Repent** with urgency of any divisive attitude, word, or action. **Pray** that we might be made whole to one another and so also be made whole to Christ!

T 1 PETER 2:9-12

May we be priests & people of His own that proclaim the greatness of God & His mercy for the world!

Consider the meaning of each of us being called a collective of "priests." What did priests do for God & for people? **Behold** the mercy & excellency of God you have experienced. **Pray** for boldness & awe to proclaim Christ's excellency through our speech, our conduct, & our city.

W JOSHUA 4

Building stones of reminders for those to come. Are we passing on faith and confidence in God's power?

Consider what faith lessons we're living & leaving (or not) for the next generation. **Pray** for a personal vision of how you will inspire faith & pass on stories of God's presence to your children. **Pray** for church-wide visions of how to inspire faith in God for the challenges of the next era!

TH 2 TIMOTHY 2:25-26

A deceptive devil, ensnared victims. Our God can set them all free. Will we begin to ask?

Recall the names you've been praying for. **Pray** God cause them to come to their senses & escape the devil's snare. **Pray** God grant them repentance & lead them to the knowledge of the truth. **Pray** He bind the powers & principalities directing their lives (Eph. 1:18-2:7) & set them free!

F ISAIAH 61

Seeking expressions of the Spirit that echo Isaiah 61 and the ways of God's appointed Servant.

Consider the various descriptions throughout the passage. **Pray** for good news to the poor, healing for the broken-hearted, favor, & comfort. **Pray** for new plants and priests & ministers in every home. **Pray** for justice, salvation, & righteous living. **Pray** that you & our church are servants of these.

WEEK 6 FEB. 3 - FEB. 9

3 LOCATIONS, 1 CHURCH UNITED IN MISSION

M JOHN 13:1-17

Consider Jesus' supreme example once more. How are you growing in embracing His way as yours?

Behold Jesus' example. **Consider** what "robes" you must discard & what blessing you might find in serving another in our midst. **Pray** that we come to understand in our hearts this "example" Jesus gave and live it anew so that our city *knows* we are His disciples (13:34-35).

T JOHN 20:19-22

Join the disciples in the locked room with Jesus, then join Jesus on His mission in the world.

Imagine yourself in the locked room after Jesus' death. **Behold** His resurrected appearance. **Receive** His breath from His own lungs and Spirit. **Pray** that we as a church embrace our King's mission and Spirit. **Pray** that we all embrace our identity as a sent people in Christ Jesus our Lord.

W 2 KINGS 5; 1 SAMUEL 3

Let your imagination be filled with how God can work through children inside & outside our church!

Imagine the way God wants to work through kids in our church & city. **Consider** the young girl in 2 Kings or the young boy in 1 Samuel. **Pray** for sensitivity in us to raise kids like these. **Pray** for sensitivity in them to hear God, see needs, and serve Him fully wherever they find themselves.

TH 2 CORINTHIANS 4:4

May God bring spiritual sight to the names we've been praying over. May He bring you to them too.

Pray that God remove the blinders of Satan and all his works. **Pray** God break the deception and cause them to see the light of the gospel. **Pray** that the Lord open their hearts to pay attention to what you say (Acts 16:14) about God, the way to Him, and life as a disciple of King Jesus.

F ZECHARIAH 4:6

Let us become a church that lives & serves not by might or power, but by His Spirit.

See yourself in total need before God (Zech. 3:1-5), yet also His precious possession that He provides for (2:8-13). **Invite** Him to lead us & be the all-consuming glory people are drawn to (2:4-5). **Focus** your awe, not the size of the task, but on God's ability to demonstrate His power (4:7-10)!