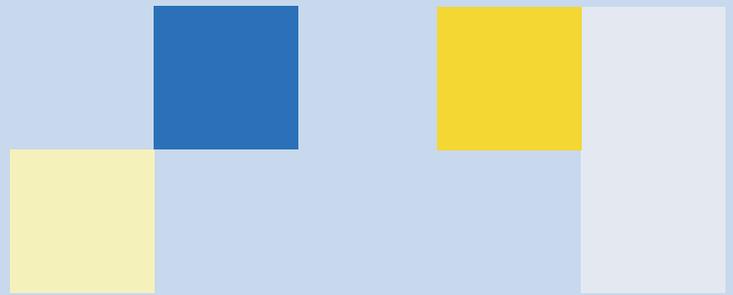




# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021

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As New Life Church we begin each year in January with 21 Days of Prayer. Jesus is always faithful to meet with us as we journey for 21 days together, praying the prayer themes that we have provided as a devotional. It's exciting to know that we can experience the power of praying in agreement as a church as per Matthew 18:19. This is a new year and a time to plug into the Holy Spirit as He leads us into 2021.

We don't expect that every single one of you will join us in fasting as well, but everyone can join us by tracking with us through the 21 Day Devotional and Prayer Guide below. So, if you can't fast, you can enjoy praying (with equal impact), as we trust God together for His grace and presence in 2021.

Let us pray together with an expectation for God to move with divine direction, break-throughs and comfort and that in 2021 He will move powerfully nationally, corporately and individually.

James 4:8 says, ***"Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you."***

He has amazing things in store for you, and we are encouraged and excited about this New Year. God bless you and your families in 2021!

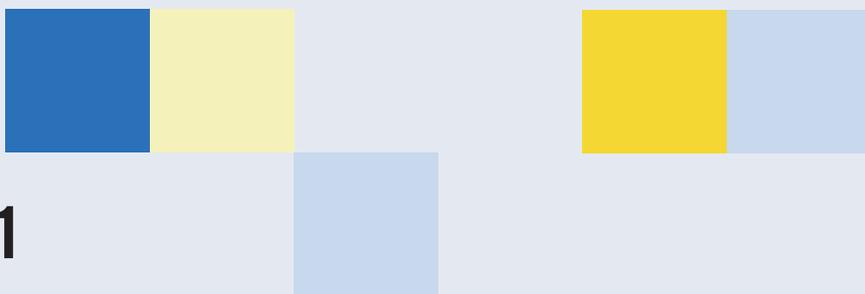
## **TYPES OF FASTS AND WHAT THEY REQUIRE:**

1. Daniel Fast: No meat, sweet foods, or strong drinks (see Daniel 10:2-3). This can be done for an extended period of time. This could also be considered a vegetarian diet because there is no meat or animal products eaten.
2. Partial Fast: This would be not eating one main meal you would usually eat on a daily routine, such as breakfast, or lunch, or dinner. This meal would be skipped until the fast was over. You can also fast sugar, TV or anything else the Holy Spirit reveals to you.
3. Half-Day: Fast until 3 PM (ninth hour). This is the fast John Wesley participated in. (see Acts 10:30-31)
4. Complete Fast: This would require you to abstain from all solid foods, liquids only. When Jesus fasted in the desert, the Bible says, "After fasting forty days and forty nights, He was hungry." This verse does not mention Jesus being thirsty. (see Luke 4:1-2)

*N.B If you have any medical conditions that could make fasting dangerous, please do not fast until you have cleared fasting with your medical practitioner.*



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



## WHY PRAY?

Prayer is our greatest weapon. Not only does it draw us closer to God, it unleashes his power into our world. Through prayer we learn the heart of the Father in all the matters of our world and through spending time in His presence we begin to be conformed more and more into His image. Through discipline, prayer changes from being a duty to a delight. Simply said, the more you pray the more you want to pray, and the greater it's impact. Our Heavenly Father desires our love, attention, fellowship, and our worship and each of these begins in an attitude of prayer. Through prayer we actualize our three most powerful weapons: The Word of God and the Name and Blood of Jesus. Therefore, prayer is both relational and strategic.

When Jesus was asked by the disciples to teach them how to pray He taught them what we now call, "The Lord's Prayer." In that prayer Jesus acknowledges the sovereignty of God then prays that God's will and kingdom would come to earth as it is in heaven. Through prayer we literally bring God's desires and kingdom from the heavenly realm into our earthly realm. Let's dedicate the next 21 days of prayer and fasting to trust him for His divine will for us for the year ahead.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021

DAY 1 OF 21  
MON 11 JAN 2021

## GIVE PRAISE TO OUR CREATOR

Have you ever wondered who created the heavens, and has given us all things, both great and small? Colossians 1:16 says, *"...for by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him."*

Let's start our new year being mindful of a Creator God who has gone before us into our future and who knows us intimately. His plans are perfect, and He can create fresh opportunities for us daily as we trust in Him. We come together today, in the Presence of our Creator God, who has created all things and who holds our future in His Mighty hands. He has great plans for you in 2021!

**LET'S PRAY:** Father God, who is like You? There is none in heaven or on earth like our Mighty and Awesome God. You have created all things and by You all things exist. Heaven is Your throne and the earth is Your footstool. The heavens can't contain You, yet You have chosen to have Your Holy Spirit live inside of us. Thank You, Father, for all the things You have done for us. Thank You, Father, for Your Creation, both great and small. Thank You for the great plan for my life as I follow You.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Take some time today to thank God for what He has done for you, for His mercies that are new every morning. God loves it when we are thankful.



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## HIS PROVISION, HIS WORD - OUR DAILY BREAD

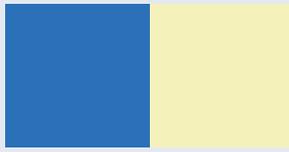
Today we are going to pray for daily provision. Matthew 6:11 says, ***“Give us this day our daily bread...”*** - these are the words of Jesus! Think about that! Jesus said when you pray to the Father, pray “give us this day our daily bread” not just our weekly bread or monthly bread, but our daily bread. That means that God wants to provide for us every day. We want to talk about that provision in two different ways: We believe God wants to provide all our needs that we have on this earth, our physical needs, emotional needs and spiritual needs. Pray about a job, finances or anything you would need. Scripture also says in Matthew 4:4, ***“Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds from the mouth of God”***. We can ask Him every day, “Give us today our daily Word from You” and He will speak to you from His Word.

**LET’S PRAY:** Today we pray that God will not only provide all of our physical needs, but also all of our spiritual needs. “Lord, we come to You right now, and we thank You that You are Jehovah Jireh, our Provider. God You provide everything that we need. You provide every physical need that we have, every spiritual need that we have. We thank You that we can come and ask You to provide for us, or to give us our daily bread. That is how Jesus taught us to pray. We thank You Lord that today You give us our physical provision and our spiritual provision. We pray that You will speak a Word to all of us, to each of us personally. That we will hear everything we need to hear from You today. We ask this in Jesus Name. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Think of all the people you know who have needs at this time. Perhaps you can send someone an encouraging scripture and stand in agreement with them for His provision.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 3 OF 21**  
WED 13 JAN 2021

## **LEADERS IN OUR COUNTRY - OUR PROVINCES, CITY AND NATIONAL LEADERS**

It is such an important time to pray for our leaders in the nation. Our country needs strong leaders and as the church we can take what it says and pray for the President and all government ministers and leaders. 1 Timothy 2:1-2 says, *“Therefore I exhort, first of all that supplications, prayers and intercession and giving of thanks be made for all men, all kings and all who are in authority that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness.”*

God has put in place, and given us leaders, so today let us pray for all our leaders – city, provincial and national. We pray earnestly for them and pray that their eyes will be opened to the light of the Gospel. Pray that their hearts and minds would be opened, so that they would make godly decisions and lead our country with wisdom.

**LET'S PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS:** Lord, we come to You today and lift up our leaders. We lift up our President and we lift up our parliament and those in power in this nation. We pray that all of them would come to know You and serve You. We pray for revival in their lives. For the ones that do know You, we pray that they would lead our beloved nation in the right way. Lord we come to You. We pray for unity in our government, that our leaders would do their best for the people of South Africa. Lord we trust You and we thank You God that You hear our prayers and that You answer our prayers in Jesus Name. Amen!

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** All day today pray for our leaders. Every chance you have a spare moment today, say 'Lord, I pray for our Leaders'. Let's pray for our leaders and pray for South Africa today. God bless you and God bless South Africa!



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 4 OF 21**  
THU 14 JAN 2021

## RESTORING RELATIONSHIPS

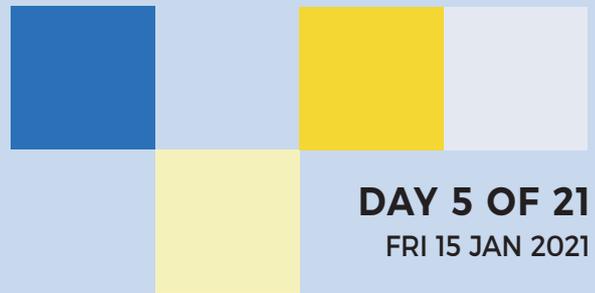
Today as you continue in this fast and prayer ask the Holy Spirit to help you restore any of your relationships that are broken. If there is anyone who you need to forgive, or anyone who you know is offended with you, walk in boldness today and with the help of the Holy Spirit go to that person and say, "Can we talk?". This may just be the key that opens their heart and yours.

**LET'S PRAY:** Father, today I ask You to help me take all of my thoughts captive to the obedience of Jesus Christ. Help me, Lord, to see all people the way You see them. Help me to be a person of reconciliation, restoring all that may have been lost in the relationships with those You have placed in my life. I ask You, Father, to restore a good relationship between me and all of my family, friends, co-workers, and others.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Give thanks today for healthy friendships and good relationships. Thank God for working in your life and in the lives of those you love to bring about restoration and healing.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



## RESISTING ANXIOUS THOUGHTS

Let us start our morning by casting our cares and anxious thoughts on Jesus. 1 Peter 5:7 says, ***“Cast all your burdens on Him for he cares for you”***. Notice the word ***“cast”***. We were not designed to carry unscriptural burdens or anxiety. We can live fear free.

Fear is a God-given natural response when our physical or psychological safety is threatened. Courage is not the absence of fear, but it is living by faith and doing what is right in the face of fear and anxiety. Fear, anxiety and overburdening care prevent us from enjoying the love of the Father. The Bible teaches that we can take every thought captive to Him. Right now confess 2 Timothy 1:7 ***“For God has not given you a spirit of fear, but of love, power and a sound mind.”*** Resist the anxious thoughts by choosing scriptures like this and declare them aloud to build your faith. 2 Corinthians 10:5 ***“We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”***

**LET'S PRAY:** Dear Heavenly Father, I confess that I have allowed fear to control me. I recognise that You have not given me a spirit of fear. I renounce any fear, anxiety, panic or dread that is tormenting me. I bring every thought captive to Christ so that I can live without these anxious thoughts tripping me up. Thank You, Lord for setting me free.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Be on guard and vigilant over the thoughts that enter your mind, not all of them are yours. Don't receive negative thoughts but resist them in Jesus' Name.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 6 OF 21**  
SAT 16 JAN 2021

## **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Once we ask Jesus into our lives, the Holy Spirit takes up residence within us. The apostle Paul gives some great advice for loving others and living in the Spirit in Galatians chapter 5. He tells us we are called to serve one another humbly; to love others like we love ourselves. He goes on to list the fruit that comes from living in step with God, the greatest fruit being love.

We see this in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 *“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.”*

The Holy Spirit helps us to love others with the love of the Lord. In His strength we can love, forgive and respect others the way God loves, forgives and respects us.

**LET'S PRAY:** Lord, I ask that our hearts would be flooded with love daily for those who are closest, nearest and dearest to us. We bring every name that rises in our spirits before You now and we know each name will be a memorial before You and we pray for them in Jesus Name. Help us to love others the way You love us. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Today we are mindful of family and friends. Let's think of someone who may need a phone call or a text with a loving message from us today.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021

DAY 7 OF 21  
SUN 17 JAN 2021

## SALVATIONS

Psalms 16:11 *“You make known to me the path of life; You will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.”*

Acts 16:31 (AMP) *“Believe in and on the Lord Jesus Christ - that is, give yourself up to Him, take yourself out of your own keeping and entrust yourself into His keeping, and you will be saved; [and this applies both to] you and your household as well.”*

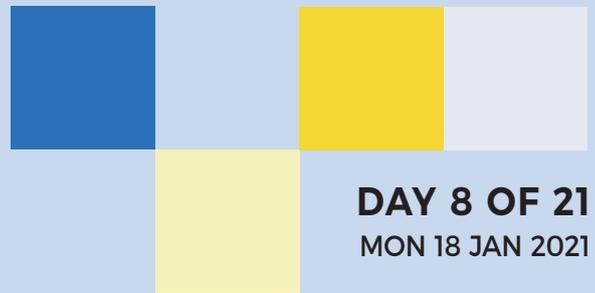
The Lord said He wants us to make a difference in the lives of others. Prayer for souls is something that the Holy Spirit will move you to do in different ways. The Hebrew word ‘Paga’ means to light upon or strike a place/situation. As we pray for people that the Lord lays on our minds, our prayers alight on them. It is never an accident when people come to our mind, even perhaps someone we have just passed by or encountered as we go about the day.

**LET’S PRAY:** Father, we pray for the hurting and lost of this world. We ask that You do what only You can in the lives of those we are trusting You for \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name/s). Use us in effective ways to show Your love. Change the hearts of those who are far from You. Help them to find a life-changing relationship with You. We pray Lord for any loved ones who do not know You or have drifted away from You. Please reveal Yourself to them as the awesome God that You are.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Today we think about the people in our circle of influence who do not know Jesus. We lift them up to the Lord throughout this day.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



## **GOD OF ALL COMFORT**

Many of us have lost friends and loved ones this year as we have navigated our way through a world-wide pandemic. It is comforting to know that we can, as believers, draw on the deep comfort of the Holy Spirit, who is known as the Comforter, the one who draws alongside of us and lifts us up when we are going through a season of loss. He comforts us with His deep love and grace and then we know how to comfort others who have gone through difficult and painful times.

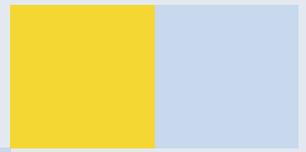
2 Corinthians 1:3-5 says, *“All praises belong to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he is the Father of tender mercy and the God of endless comfort. He always comes alongside us to comfort us in every suffering so that we can come alongside those who are in any painful trial. We can bring them this same comfort that God has poured out upon us. And just as we experience the abundance of Christ’s own sufferings, even more of God’s comfort will cascade upon us through our union with Christ.”*

**LET’S PRAY:** Lord we praise You for the depth of Your comfort. Help us Lord to know that in the same way You have comforted us in times of emotional pain and loss, we can draw on Your Spirit and ask You to help us comfort our friends, loved ones and those around us. Help us to show Your tender love and mercy to those who are suffering the pain of loss. In Jesus Name.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Let us be mindful today, as we go about our daily tasks, to pray for others and to reach out to them and let them know we care.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 9 OF 21**  
TUE 19 JAN 2021

## **TIMES OF REFRESHING AND STRENGTHENING**

In these busy times where we have worked from home and have been using devices to stay in touch with others, our souls long to be satisfied with the reality of His Presence. When we cry out "Lord quench my spiritual thirst", He is so quick to answer and bring refreshing to our souls.

Times of refreshing do not come from striving to read more of the Bible or praying for a certain period of time each day. Biblical spiritual refreshing is simply coming to Jesus. His invitation to each one of us is simply "**come to Me**" (John 7:37). Jesus sermon on the mount in John 7:37 encourages us to find refreshing in Him alone. When we stand in His Presence and allow Who He is to satisfy our souls, our parched hearts are soothed, refreshed and strengthened.

**LET'S PRAY:** Thank You Lord for refreshing and strengthening. Thank You that we can come to You with every yoke and burden and take up Your yoke which is easy and light. Let us pray as the Apostle Paul prayed in Ephesians 3:16 "***I pray that from His glorious, unlimited resources He will empower you with inner strength through His Spirit.***" Thank You for refreshing us and strengthening us today as we simply come to You. Fill us up Lord as we enjoy being in Your Presence.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** As we go about today, let's be intentional about asking Him to exchange any areas where we feel weak and trust Him for His strength from His "unlimited resources".



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 10 OF 21**  
WED 20 JAN 2021

## **PRAYING FOR WISDOM AND REVELATION**

Do you have a desire to know more about God? Sometimes we have a hard time imagining anyone answering no to that question. God has promised in His Word to enlighten us and reveal Himself to us. How does He do that? Through the combination of two things, His Word, (the Bible) and through the Holy Spirit. The Word of God through the Holy Spirit will come alive in us and bring the truths into our hearts and minds of Who God is and how God works. That process is called enlightenment (revelation or wisdom).

**LET'S PRAY:** Lord of Heaven, I pray that You might give to me Your spirit of wisdom and revelation, with the eyes of my heart being enlightened, knowing what is the hope of Your calling, Your inheritance in me and Your inherent power to me as one who believes (see Ephesians 1:17-19). Thank You that I can also pray for wisdom as You have said in James 1:5 which says, ***"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."*** Thank You for that wisdom and Father, I pray that You would make known to me the mystery of Your will according to Your good pleasure.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Be aware of situations and circumstances that require God's wisdom. Find scriptures on wisdom in the Bible and write them out so you can begin to think on them.



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## IN THE TIME OF TROUBLE

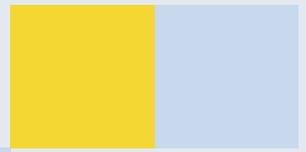
Everyone in the world has gone through different challenges in the past year. This brings us to our focus today, "Prayer in the Time of Trouble". Psalm 50:15 says, ***"Then call on me when you are in trouble, and I will rescue you, and you will give me glory."*** God is closer to us than our very hands and feet. We can call on a Father who deeply loves and cares for us and is more than willing and able to help us in the time of trouble. Jesus said in John 16:33 ***"Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."*** Think of what Jesus overcame for us on the cross and through the power of His resurrection. We know the same God who helped David defeat Goliath will help us to defeat the giants that face us today.

**LET'S PRAY:** Heavenly Father, we come with our hearts open and readily praising You, no matter the circumstances. We thank You that You are our Blessed Hope, and that Your Word brings truth and light to us wherever we are in our journey. Thank You for helping us to look to You, to trust in You and not our own strength. Holy Spirit help us to rest in the fact that You are with us and that Jesus said He would never leave or forsake us. No matter the challenges we face, our hope is firmly in You because You have overcome the world. We pray this In Jesus Name.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Hope and faith fills our hearts when we fix our focus on Jesus who will never leave or forsake us and will help us through whatever we are facing. Focus in on Him today, whenever you have a break, whenever you can, just keep your mind on Him.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 12 OF 21**  
FRI 22 JAN 2021

## **PRAY FOR OUR SENIOR PASTORS: CHRIS AND LISA STARK**

Today's focus is to pray for our Senior Pastors, Chris and Lisa. We need to take a moment and think of all the times they have spoken into our lives and encouraged us to deepen our relationship with God and each other. As we pray we want to do it from a posture of "Thank you for blessing us the way that you have". 1 Timothy 5:17 says, ***"Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine."*** Let's pray twice as hard for them as the Word says they deserve double honour.

**LET'S PRAY:** Thank You Lord that You called Chris and Lisa so many years ago to serve and to build New Life Church as they labour alongside You. Thank You so much for the gift that You have given us in them. We are thankful that You spoke to them and released the vision of New Life Church to them for the benefit of us and our families. We pray over them; their children and we bless their extended family in a supernatural way. Would You, Father, open up the windows of heaven and bless them abundantly. We pray that the best years of their lives lie ahead of them and that Your Spirit is leading them, granting them wisdom, strengthening them and empowering them as they lead this beautiful community of people we call Newlifers. In Jesus Name.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** God plants us in a church family to grow in our love for Him and for each other. As we are called to this New Life Church family, today we can spend time thanking God for our Senior Pastors Chris and Lisa Stark and their family.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 13 OF 21**  
SAT 23 JAN 2021

## **PRAYING FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY**

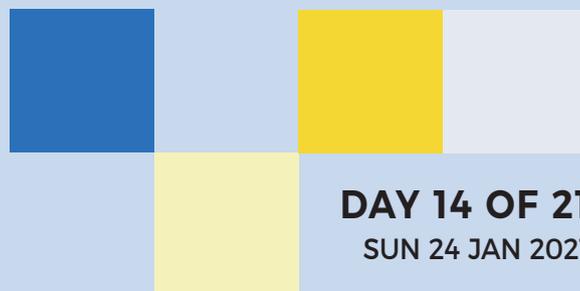
It's an old cliché but a good one that says, "No man is an island." We simply were not designed by God to go through this life alone. This is true not only with regards to our emotional health but also our spiritual health. We require other people to stretch and push us closer and closer to God. Staying connected to others strengthens us, protects us and allows us to serve one another with our love and our spiritual gifts. 1 Corinthians 19 says, *"How strange a body would be if it only had one part."* Again, it says in verse 27, *"All of you together are Christ's body and each of you is a part of it."* When we spent time in isolation this past year, being part of a our New Life community, worshipping together as **New Life Church Online** and joining **Connect Groups Online** on a Wednesday night, brought us closer together. There is so much strength in community, so let's pray for our New Life community.

**LET'S PRAY:** Heavenly Father, thank You for the beauty, protection and strength we have experienced in our New Life community. As I submit to the disciplines and spiritual habits of attending gatherings online, these godly habits will connect me deeply to Your Spirit in me. Show me where I can be more involved and committed in our community at New Life Church. Father, I pray for every person and every leader to take up their position in this wonderful church, each one playing their part. Thank You, Lord Jesus.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Today you can call someone you know from church and encourage them to be part of a Group this term. There are Support Groups and there are Connect Groups. Encourage someone who isn't involved to step up this term and join an online Group.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



## THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS

Right through the Old Testament and the New, God reveals His passion for all nations. We see His heart of love for the nations of the world and for our nation.

2 Chronicles 7:14 says, *"...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."*

Psalm 46:10-11 *"He says, 'Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.' The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress".*

**LET'S PRAY:** Today Father we trust You, Almighty God for the healing and deliverance of the nations affected by the world-wide pandemic. We serve You, Mighty King of the Universe thank You for Your promises to heal our land, and all the nations we pray for. Your Word says in Psalm 2:7-8 *"I will proclaim the LORD's decree: He said to me, "You are my son; today I have become your father. Ask me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession".*

Thank You Lord that the nations of the world will come to know Your healing power. In the Mighty Name of Jesus.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Today as we go about our daily tasks, we ask Him that the inheritance of healing comes to the nations of the world. That the pandemic would subside and the infections dry up, according to His Word.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 15 OF 21**  
MON 25 JAN 2021

## **PRAYING FOR YOUR DESTINY**

This life is but a grain of sand on eternity's beach. Your ultimate destiny is more magnificent than you can possibly imagine. However, God wants to give you a taste of it right here in this life. He has a plan for you to accomplish. He has set you on a prearranged path with an intended destination. As you take up His service in the local church, He will reveal each step to you. Step onto the path that God is calling you to and stay on it. Every step on this path is covered in God's wisdom. Stay submitted and surrendered to Him and to those He has given you to lead you. Listen and watch as He guides you past every obstacle and distraction. Know that your Heavenly Father is always guiding you.

Psalms 37:5 says, ***“Commit everything you do to the LORD. Trust him, and he will help you.”***

**LET'S PRAY:** Dear Lord, in my heart I submit myself to Your purpose for my life. I believe that as long as my heart is stayed on You there is no way I can fail. I trust You to reveal Your plan for my life. I will listen for Your voice. I know that even in those times that I don't think I can hear Your voice, You are powerful enough to direct my life in a way that will both please You and bring glory to Your name. My simple commitment is to remain submitted to You in every way I know how. In Jesus Name, Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Take some time to write out your spiritual and physical goals for 2021.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 16 OF 21**  
TUE 26 JAN 2021

## PRAYER FOR OUR LOCAL CHURCH

Today's focus is prayer for our local church, New Life Church. The church is the agent of the expansion and implementation of God's kingdom on the earth. We bathe our church in prayer for the will of God to be done through the ministry of all our members. Our local church is where we impact the unchurched and the dechurched. More than ever in these times, we need our local church as it is the lighthouse of the gospel in Bryanston, Cosmo City, Diepsloot and Alexandra and surrounds. We pray that the vision of our church, **"to love God and love others as we love ourselves and impact the world for Christ"** be played out in the life of every leader, member and volunteer. Together we put our trust in God that our local church be strengthened in 2021 as we impact people with the good news that Jesus loves them and has a great plan for their lives.

**LET'S PRAY:** Thank You that we are on the earth in this season. We pray that through our church more people will encounter the love of Christ. We pray for the impact of our local church, New Life. Thank You, Lord Jesus, in Your Name.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Today let's think of people around us and ask the Lord who we can start praying for, and ask Him who we could to invite to church?



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



## PRAYER FOR BREAKTHROUGH

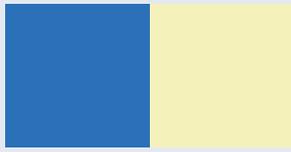
Today we pray for everyone who is needing a breakthrough. We can pray for break-through in finances, marriages, health, families and jobs. 1 Chronicles 14:11 David said ***“God has broken through my enemies by my hand like a breakthrough of water.”*** God is the God of breakthrough! In other words, in areas of your life where you may be experiencing difficulties, present that situation to the Lord right now.

**LET’S PRAY:** Lord I come to You right now, in Jesus Name. I know You can change my situation. I still need breakthroughs in some areas of my own life. Lord, I ask You today, not only for me, but also for anyone I know who is going through a difficult time, for specific breakthroughs. We pray for breakthroughs in our spiritual walk with You, breakthroughs in our marriages, breakthroughs in our families, breakthroughs in areas of health, wherever we need breakthroughs. Perhaps there are those who need a breakthrough to get a job or trusting for a promotion. That is what we are asking You for today. We trust You Lord and we know that when we turn to You, when the enemy comes in like a flood, You will raise up a standard against him. We decree that today in Jesus Name. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Be encouraged all day today to remember the word ‘BREAKTHROUGH’ and stand in faith, even if you just breathe this prayer to the Lord: “Thank You Lord that You are the God of breakthrough!”



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 18 OF 21**  
THU 28 JAN 2021

## **DOORS TO BE OPENED**

Pray for God to open doors in our lives that no man can open. Jesus says *"I have got the Keys of the Kingdom and I can open doors that no man can shut, I can close doors that no man can open."* He also tells us in Luke 11:9-13 *"I say to you ask, and it will be given, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you, for everyone who asks receives, everyone, and the one who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened."* We want to ask God to open doors that no man can open and no man can shut. God has a door for you to go through. It could be a door of ministry, it could be a door of a new job, it could be a door of a new relationship, we don't know what that door is, but the Lord will show you what that door is.

**LET'S PRAY:** Let's pray today for doors to be opened: "Lord, we come to You today, and we agree that there are areas of our lives where it seems like a closed door. It seems like we have knocked on the door and knocked on the door, we have done everything we know to get that new door to open. Lord, we do not know how to do it, but You have told us how to do it. You said ask, so we are coming today to simply ask You to open this door in our life. Lord, we ask that You start the process today. Wherever it is that You are trying to lead us to, we are asking You to open the door today. Begin the process of that door opening in our lives. We declare open doors, Lord for each one of us in Jesus Name. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** All day today let the Lord speak to you, let Him tell you what doors He wants to open in your life. Many times when we ask Him to open doors, He will guide us to the right door that we should be praying for. Pray all day, as the Lord reminds you, for an open door in your life. God Bless you!



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 19 OF 21**  
FRI 29 JAN 2021

## PEOPLE OF WORSHIP

No matter how weak, how inadequate we feel, be assured that the invitation to draw near to Jesus in worship is simply to open your heart and come to Him and He will receive you. There is nothing like His Presence, and it is a very important part of our New Life vision and values: to love and seek God before all else. Worship is one of the most effective ways we can enter into His Presence.

Psalms 100:4-5 says, *“Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations”.*

**LET’S PRAY:** Lord we praise You for the beauty of Your Presence. Help us Lord to realise that for us to enter into worship is not on the grounds of our worthiness but on our readiness to say “I come to You, Lord with all that I am”. When we do, we will encounter the One who transforms every situation. In His Presence is the fullness of joy. Today we lay our hearts bare before You, our God our Redeemer and Saviour. In the Name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Let us be mindful today, as we go about our daily tasks, to praise and thank God for who He is. Spend some time listening to life-giving worship and let His Presence saturate your soul.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



## LEADING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Today we are praying for the leading/guidance of the Holy Spirit and how to pray with the mind of the Holy Spirit. The scripture is very clear that the Spirit will lead us by the things that He brings to our mind. The Holy Spirit will come when we ask Him, and prompt us to pray specific things that hit the mark for the people we know. He is using us to pray for friends, loved ones and acquaintances. Then we will see things change for them as we bring heaven to earth through our faithful prayers.

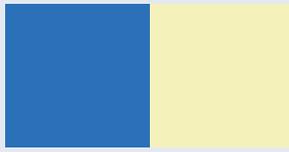
Romans 8:27 *“And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.”*

**LET'S PRAY:** Father we pray that as the Holy Spirit brings people who have needs into our minds, that we will be prompted to pray for them and encourage them. Thank You for making us sensitive to what You are asking us to pray and who You are asking us to pray for, so that we can grow in our understanding. Help us to respond to this holy nudge and help us to pray Your perfect will in every situation. Help us in this, Holy Spirit we pray, in Jesus Name. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** As we go about our daily tasks we can be mindful to ask the Holy Spirit to help and guide us to pray for people and for any of their circumstances that He brings into our minds.



# TWENTY ONE DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2021



**DAY 21 OF 21**  
SUN 31 JAN 2021

## **A PRAYER OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING**

Well done, you did it! Give God the glory for the victory. Purpose in your heart to go forward in His strength and knowledge as you have surrendered to Him these past 21 days!

**LET'S PRAY:** Father, You alone have the power to establish all of us according to the good news of Christ. You have chosen to reveal through the Church the mystery of Your wisdom, a secret You kept from the beginning of creation until the day You raised Jesus from the dead. You now are making that wisdom manifest to the entire universe through those who are Your Church. You have enabled us to be steadfast and blameless until the day Jesus returns for us. You have enabled each of us to be ministers and ambassadors of Your grace regardless of our past and abilities. To You the only wise God, the King eternal, immortal, unseen by human eyes, who dwells in the light, who is the blessed and only True and Living God, the King of kings, and the Lord of lords, be the glory through Christ Jesus, the Church, and my life forever and ever.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** : Think about Jesus today and how He surrendered His whole life for us. Surrender the year ahead into His hands.

