

Pray the Whole Day Prayer Guide Sheet

Obviously we need to pray as the Holy Spirit leads us. This guide is designed to ensure that we all are united in calling on God to answer the specific needs we have sensed and hope to glorify God with and praise Him for. We suggest utilizing the **A.C.T.S** acronym to break up the hour of prayer with **A**doration (5 minutes), **C**onfession (10 minutes), and **T**hanks-giving (10 minutes), and **S**upplication (35 minutes). Remember that the specific prayers below are guidelines not an exhaustive list, they can be prayed specifically or in any way the Holy Spirit leads you. We encourage the use of Scripture as you pray.

ADORATION (5 min.), adoring God and praising Him for Who He is:
SCRIPTURE reference: Psalm 103.

Remind ourselves and wonder at WHO this GOD is to whom we are coming to bring our worship, confession, thanksgiving and requests.

LORD You are:

All-powerful, ever-present, All-Knowing, Sovereign, Holy, Absolute Truth, Righteous, Just, Love, Merciful, Faithful, Unchanging, More than able!

CONFESSION (10 min.), spend this time confessing to God areas where you know you and we as a local body of Christ fall short: SCRIPTURE: Psalm 139:23-24; 1 John 1:9

- *Lord forgive me/us/JBC for putting other things before You and what You ask me/us to do in Your Name.*
- *Lord forgive me/us/JBC for not loving You and others the way we should.*
- *Lord forgive me/us/JBC for not seeking You first in all things.*
- *Lord forgive me/us/JBC for where we fall short in impacting our community for Your Son Jesus.*
- *Lord forgive me/us/JBC for the areas we fall short in ministering to our children, youth, young adults, adults and elderly.*

THANKSGIVING (10 min.), thank the Lord for His Son, the Holy Spirit, and all the blessings He gracefully and mercifully gives to us. SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 3:20

- *Lord thank You for salvation through Your Son Jesus!*
- *Lord thank You for Your Word and Your Holy Spirit!*
- *Lord thank You for Jackson Baptist Church where we come to worship You!*
- *Lord thank You for Your Sovereignty we know You're in control!*
- *Lord thank You for*

SUPPLICATION (35 min.), spend the rest of the time requesting and calling on God for our needs as a local body of Christ.

Pray for the leadership of JBC... that they will be strengthened ...that they will have spiritual wisdom and insight. **Scripture: Psalm 1:1-6**

ASK the Lord for:

- *A continued and more dedicated, believing staff who love JESUS and serve very faithfully*
- *That the Elders will continue to and seek the Lord to even better provide faithful, Bible-centered leadership*
- *The re-energizing of leaders for discernment, decisions, and guidance through our current transition and the next phases (gymnasium and kitchen, parking lot) of our growth*
- *The ability and the insight in raising up of new leadership within our local body (turn over page)*

- *Volunteer(s) who will accept the challenge of directing the ministry for young children*
- *Vision for how JBC should grow: improved structure, improving on ministries that are dying or less effective, new ministries and priorities, continued and improved unity and servant-hood.*
- *The Lord will provide us a clear vision and plan to implement and carry out our goal and mission statement as church body: **Through a vital partnership with the Holy Spirit, enable people at home and abroad to become mature disciples of Jesus Christ, and we accomplish that together!***

Pray for the people of JBC... that they will be strengthened ...that they will have spiritual wisdom and insight. **Scripture: Psalm 1:1-6**

ASK the Lord for:

- *Tender hearts, teachable spirits and yielded wills within JBC as GOD brings us through and speaks to us as we transition... that we will respond with humility and obedience to HIS leading and that of our church Elders. (2 Corinthians 2:9“ ...whether you are obedient in all things.”)*
- *That the we will continue to and seek the Lord to even better provide faithful, Spirit filled care and love for one another, serving one another, serving the body through ministry, seeking to disciple one another.*
- *That we will be re-energized in our walk with the Lord. Dedicating ourselves to regular Bible study and prayer and fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ. That we will not allow the business of life deprive us of who we are in Christ and the abundant life He has for us.*
- *Become more involved in the events and ministry goals of our local body of Christ.*
- *Volunteer(s) to do the work of the ministry and who will accept the challenge of faithfully as unto the Lord be diligent in their service.*
- *Through the Holy Spirit be patient with leadership and each other as we go through this time of transition and that we would all see it as we are all in this together as united brothers and sisters in Christ.*

Pray for the new guests who will come to JBC. Scripture: *John 3:16,17*

- *That our members will continue and even better demonstrate warmth and sincerity in welcoming attendees*
- *That our communications will be effective and received well.*
- *That they will experience GOD's Presence among us*
- *That we will be a strong testimony of Christian disciples*
- *That GOD will soften their hearts to spiritual things*

Close the prayer time:

- **Commit all of our prayer to HIM...**
- **That HIS Perfect will be done in our lives and in the life of HIS church, both at JBC and around the world.**
- **That He will strengthen and enable us to bring Him the greatest possible glory He deserves and is worthy of**