

Church Family,

There is never a time when we do not need to be reminded of the certainty of God in our lives. Given all that we have faced in the past months together as a nation, we need to be reminded that God is in control. As a church leaning into the Decade of Love, we trust that God is in control and ready to work in and through us. What we need most today is the reminder that God is with us and that His plans are for our good and His glory. So, let's lean in together with the expectation that God is up to something as big as He is glorious.



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Preparing to Pray (8 Minutes)

"The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy." Psalm 65:8

- Lord, today I focus my attention on You. Fill me with awe at Your wonders.
- I want to walk in the joy of knowing You are with me day and night.
- Help me to walk in paths of obedience today for Your glory.
- Draw me closer to You in every area of my life.

Praying the Scriptures

"Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." 1 Peter 5:6-7

Prayer: Lord, help me to humble myself before You and to be open-handed regarding the future You have planned for me. Lord, teach me to wait with prayerful expectation to see what You will do in the coming days, months, and years to make me more like Jesus. Give me a spirit of trust and courage rather than anxiety over the unknowns in my life.

Four Prayers for November (20 Minutes)

1. New Preaching Series: Sovereign Over Me

"He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding." Daniel 2:21

- Lord, fill our pastors with Your Holy Spirit as they begin a new preaching series on the life of Joseph this month.
- Lord, remind me daily through Your Word that You are working all things for my good.

- Lord, help me to be a person of grace and love in this polarizing season in our country.
- Lord, I pray that our government leaders would seek Your wisdom as they lead.
- Lord, most of all, I pray that You would bring peace and unity to our country through spiritual awakening.

2. Parent/Child Dedication

"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth." Psalm 127:3-4

- Fayetteville Campus November 15
- Springdale Campus and Pinnacle Hills Campus November 22
- Lord, I pray that Your favor would be on the families participating in Parent/Child Dedication this month.
- Lord, fill these parents with Your Spirit as they seek to raise their children to know and love You above
- Lord, I pray today for the salvation of these children being dedicated to You.
- Lord, I pray for our Next Generation Ministries at Cross Church as they serve these families and help disciple these children in the years to come.

3. First Church Plant of the Decade of Love

One of our goals for the Decade of Love is to plant ten churches in strategic cities with a global, reproducing heartbeat. Our first church planting partnership is with Pastor Thomas West of Redeemer Queen's Park in London.

- Lord, I pray for Pastor Thomas and his wife, Elizabeth, as they follow your calling on their lives to bring the gospel to the people of Queens Park.
- Lord, I pray for the West's children, Perry Elizabeth and Shepherd. Place a hedge of protection around the West family as they serve You.
- Lord, give the Wests and their team wisdom and favor as they build relationships in their neighborhood for the sake of the gospel.
- Lord, provide for the on-going needs of Redeemer Queen's Park as they serve their city.
- Lord, I pray that You would draw men, women, and children to Yourself through this new church in the coming days, months, and years.
- Lord, I pray that You would mobilize people from Cross Church to take short-term mission trips to serve alongside the West's.
- redeemerqp.com

4. Blessing Baskets

One of our goals for the Decade of Love is to be a church that is known for loving the vulnerable. One of the ways we do this is through our annual Blessing Baskets Ministry.

- Assembly Day | Saturday, November 21, 9:00 a.m. Springdale Campus
- Distribution Day | Sunday, November 22, 2:00 p.m. Springdale Campus
- Lord, please meet our financial need for Blessing Baskets so we can serve the vulnerable in our community.
- Lord, I pray You will speak to and encourage many of our Cross Church members to volunteer for Assembly Day and Distribution Day.
- Lord, I pray that You would draw people to Yourself through this ministry as we share the good news of Jesus with them.
- Lord, help the vulnerable in our community to know that we love and care for them.

Final Moments of Prayer (2 Minutes)

Lord, thank you for all that You are doing in and through Cross Church in this season. I pray that Your manifest presence would be among us as we enter the Decade of Love together. I pray that You would rend the Heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence (Isaiah 64:1).