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February 2023 Prayer Guide

Church Family,

We're told in Ecclesiastes 3:11 that God put "eternity into man's heart." This is true of you, your family, neighbors, coworkers, and everyone you see daily. This means a few things. First, we were created for a personal relationship with God. Second, we were created to enjoy this relationship with God for eternity. Neither you nor anyone else's soul will ever be satisfied with anything less.

That said, our life's purpose as followers of Christ should be focused on eternity. Your life is meant for more than raising a family, building a career, and going on vacation. Those are worthy pursuits, but your most significant aim is to be a voice for the gospel everywhere you go because everyone will live forever – somewhere.

Let's make it our aim to be a voice for the gospel this year so as many people as possible can enter into a life-changing, personal relationship with God and have heaven as their eternal home. I pray you'll lean into your greater purpose this year – a voice for the gospel.

Together We Build,

Nick Floyd
Senior Pastor
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Preparing to Pray

- Lord, thank You for salvation through Jesus Christ.
- Lord, give me opportunities to share the gospel this month.
- Lord, give me the boldness to share the good news when gospel opportunities come.
- Lord, fill me with Your Holy Spirit today.

Praying the Scriptures

"And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, 'I am not the Christ.' And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the Prophet?' And he answered, 'No.' So they said to him, 'Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' He said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said.'" John 1:19-23

Prayer

Lord, help me to see that I am a voice for the gospel. You created me uniquely and gifted me accordingly - for Your glory and Your kingdom's purposes. I pray that You will help me to be faithful with the gospel opportunities that come my way this year. Help me to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit and bold enough to use my voice in my neighborhood, school, workplace, etc.

Four Prayers for February

1. Decade of Love | NextGen, Freedom '23

Freedom '23 is one of the biggest weekends of the year for our Student Ministry at Cross Church. Our aim for this exciting weekend is for students to encounter the gospel of Jesus Christ, grow in their walk with Jesus, grow in community with other students, and have a lot of fun with their friends!

- Pray for our guest speaker, Nick Person, as he prepares to share the gospel with our students and their friends.
- Pray that many students will respond in faith to the gospel and be saved.
- Pray for the safety of every student, volunteer, and staff member attending and serving Freedom Weekend.
- Please pray for good weather! Many of our events will be outside on Saturday, February 4.
- Pray that students reached through this event will engage with our Student Ministry at Cross Church.
- Pray for our Student Ministry Staff as they prepare for Freedom '23 and as they follow up with students afterward:
 - Billy Baker, Associate Student Pastor, Springdale Campus
 - Paige Bryant, Student Girls Associate, Springdale Campus
 - Micah Lynn, Student Pastor, Pinnacle Hills Campus
 - Kendyll Garvin, Student Girls Associate, Pinnacle Hills Campus
 - Tim Howard, Student Pastor, Fayetteville Campus
 - Cam Morrison, Associate Student Pastor, Fayetteville Campus
 - Katie Howe, Student Girls Associate, Fayetteville Campus
 - Jonathan Turner, Music Director, Pinnacle Hills Campus

2. Love NWA, Sunday, February 12

Love NWA is a day in the life of our church where we focus on showing love to our community. The Ministry Team from each of our three campuses will adopt several projects throughout our community to show the love of Christ on behalf of our church. Additionally, we will be hosting a food drive on Sunday, February 12, that will support our ministry, Feed the 479. There are many in our community who face food insecurity, and your donations will help meet this need as we serve the vulnerable in our community.

- Pray that through these various service projects, we are able to demonstrate the love of Jesus to our community.
- Pray that the people of NWA will see Cross Church as a place of love.
- Pray for the ministry of Feed the 479, as we seek to meet the needs of the vulnerable in our community.
- Pray that many in our church will participate in the Love NWA food drive this year.
- Pray for the families who visit Feed the 479 that they will respond in faith to the gospel this year as they engage with our volunteers.

3. Decade of Love | NextGen, BREAKTHROUGH, Preteen Ministry

BREAKTHROUGH is a 5th and 6th grade event where our prayer and hope is to see many Preteens have a breakthrough moment with Jesus. Whether it is through a decision made to follow Jesus or obedience through believer's baptism, this night is meant for the advancement of your Preteen's spiritual growth.

- Pray that our students will have success as they invite their friends to BREAKTHROUGH.
- Pray that those who come in lost may come to a trusting and abiding relationship with Jesus.
- Pray that those who need to take that next step of faith through believers' baptism would be obedient to that call in their life.
- Pray that those who come for the very first time would feel the love of Christ and that their roots would be planted with us here at Cross Church.
- Pray that a movement begins of Preteens taking the truth of the gospel everywhere they go and sharing with their friends and family.
- Pray that every Dream Teamer would champion, love and serve every Preteen that God has entrusted us with at Breakthrough.
- Pray for our Student Ministry Staff as they prepare for BREAKTHROUGH and as they follow up with students after the event:
 - Jorge Cea, Preteen Pastor, Springdale Campus
 - Cam Hoffarth, Preteen Pastor, Pinnacle Campus
 - Frederick Lalanne, Preteen Pastor, Fayetteville Campus

4. Growth Track

Growth Track will be held on Sunday, February 19, at 5 PM on all campuses. Every month we celebrate many God stories as people take their next steps with us as a church through Growth Track. Every month we see people give their lives to Christ and follow through in believer's Baptism. Additionally, many join the Dream Team and engage in small groups. It's so evident that God's hand is on our church when you see so many people eagerly taking their next step with us.

- Pray that God would continue to draw people to take this next step at Cross Church.
- Pray for salvations from Growth Track as the gospel is shared.
- Pray that those who join our church take the important step of joining a small group and serving somewhere on our Dream Team.
- Pray for our staff team at each campus as they serve and help these new families in their journey with Christ.

Final Moments of Prayer

Lord, I pray You will bring me opportunities to share the gospel this month and year. Give me courage and boldness when these opportunities arrive. I want to use my voice for Your gospel purposes. I pray that our church will have Your favor as we share Christ here in NWA, America, and the world this year. May You call many to Yourself for salvation.

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