

GENERATIONS

For the Gospel. For the City. For the World.

**KIDS/ PRESCHOOL
PRAYER GUIDE**

SEPTEMBER 2018

*We seek to grow personally in
our relationship with God and
ask Him to speak to us about
how He wants to use each of us
in advancing His Kingdom...*

for the
G O S P E L

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W O R L D

The fervent, effective prayer of a righteous person can accomplish much. James 5:16

Over three weeks (15 days), we will focus our praying on three areas: faith, obedience, and love. Each day, the guide will help us personally to grow in our relationship with the Father, through Jesus and be unified in our praying for Kingdom advance. The daily guide will help you:

FOCUS – on a specific area.

READ – the selected Bible verses several times

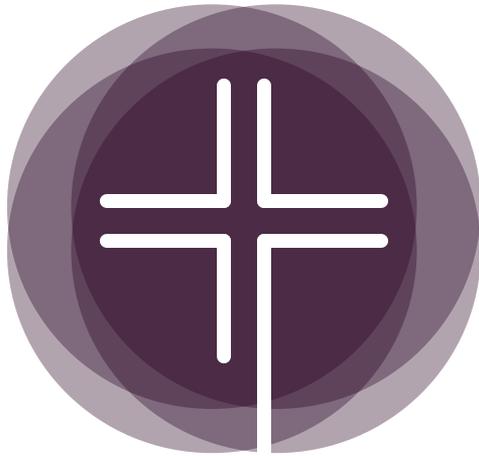
PRAY – the prayer provided each day

CONNECT (for kids) – place something in the box as a reminder of the prayer focus. Memorize the verse. Cut out the verse (or write it down) and put it in the box.

Decorate each box with your own design. Join the boxes together on the string to make a banner. Box banners will be displayed after the 15 days of prayer.

God wants us to live a “praying life” in which we grow closer to Him and seek to know how we can share His love.

Keep praying for faith to see what God can do in your life and obedience for how he wants you to share love in **our city, and our world.**



WEEK ONE:

FAITH

Hebrews 11 says, “without faith, it is impossible to please God.” Pray this week to ask God to stretch and grow your faith like never before!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 (DAY 1) FOCUS:

Unshakeable Faith

Read: Matthew 17:20 Jesus told them, “. . .if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it would move. Nothing would be impossible.”

Pray: Dear God, give me unshakeable faith in what you can do. Help me not put a limit on what you can do, because I know you want to use ME for amazing work...

Connect: The Immanuel sticker reminds us to stick with God at the center of our plans.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 (DAY 2) FOCUS:

A God-First Faith

Read: Matthew 6:30-33 “If God gives such attention to the appearance of wild flowers . . . don’t you think he will attend to you?” . . . Focus your life on what God focuses on. Focus on God-initiatives, God-provisions. You’ll find all your everyday human needs and concerns will be met.

Pray: Father God, I choose to put you first in my life. Help me trust you for all of my needs so I can walk in your blessing and BE a blessing in my home, city and world...

Connect: A flower reminds us that God provides for all our needs.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 (DAY 3) FOCUS:

Bold Faith–Greater Things

Read: John 14:12 “I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done and even greater works . . .”

Pray: Lord God, I believe that Jesus was a miracle maker when He walked the earth. Help me have faith to see “greater works” done through my life to impact the world around me and point people to Jesus...

Connect: A seed represents how small we are, but God can grow us and his kingdom bigger than we imagine.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 (DAY 4) FOCUS:

Grace-Filled Faith–Seeing Like God Sees

Read: Matthew 19:26 “Jesus looked at them intently and said, ‘Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But, with God everything is possible.’”

Pray: Father, things in this world can seem impossible. Help me know that even when it’s impossible for me, NOTHING is impossible for you. Retrain my mind and eyes to see like you see, knowing that you will make a way...

Connect: A rubber band reminds us that God stretches bigger than we think.

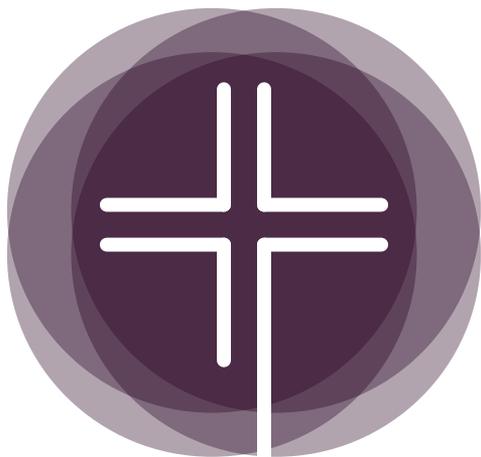
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 (DAY 5) FOCUS:

Faith Wins

Read: Hebrews 11:33-34 “By faith these people . . . received what God had promised them. . . . Their weakness was turned to strength.”

Pray: Dear God, make my heart be on fire to be a champion for your Kingdom. Turn my weakness into strength. Help me know that you have already won whatever battle comes. There is nothing that you cannot do and I am praying, according to YOUR WORD, that you would give me faith to see miracles in my family, my life, my school and my church, and that others will know it is You making me strong...

Connect: A rock reminds us that His strength is greater than our weakness.



WEEK TWO:

OBEDIENCE

Pray that God would give Immanuel Baptist Church the strength to follow where He leads us. Ask God to reveal to you, the blessing of obedience as we move forward to join Him in finding the ones He is sending. Let us embrace His promises, letting go of some things and praising Him for letting us have a part in His Kingdom work.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 (DAY 6) FOCUS:

Worship

Read: Psalm 117:1-2 “Praise the Lord, all nations . . . His loving- kindness is great toward us, and the Truth of the Lord is everlasting.

Pray: Lord God, Creator, Sustainer, Lord of all things,

Help us to praise You in all things, at all times, early and late. We acknowledge you are Lord of everything, what we see and what we do not see. You are worthy of our worship. We praise you in obedience, in response to Your faithful presence. Help us know and share your truth and goodness.

Connect: A small globe keychain (kids) or small globe ball (preschool) reminds us that God made everyone on Earth and wants everyone to know Him. It is our job to tell others about Jesus.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 (DAY 7) FOCUS:

Service

Read: 2 Timothy 3:16-17 “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, so that the child of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

Pray: Almighty God, Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

I commit all my ways to You today. I pledge my life to your plan. I pledge my life to your service. Teach me, so that my thoughts will be your thoughts and my ways will be your ways, so that I will walk and serve in the Gospel of Christ...

Connect: A piece of candy reminds you how sweet it is to love God and help others. The candy can be eaten and the box left empty for that day.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 (DAY 8) FOCUS:

Purity

Read: Matthew 5:8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”

Pray: Father,

Today, let the light of your Presence shine clearly through me. Let every part of me show Your precious Light. Don't let me do anything to darken the brightness of Your light. Let your filling Spirit shine unflinching in me until the end of every day. Let all of my life, thoughts, words, deeds reflect your perfect purity...

Connect: A candle reminds you of His power to shine His pure light through you.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 (DAY 9) FOCUS:

Generosity

Read: Proverbs 11:24-25 “The world of the generous gets larger and larger, the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller. The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped.”

Pray: Heavenly Father, today I am full of your blessings. You are generous with your Spirit. Every good gift is from you. All I have, and all I am, is yours. Father, all I have, I put back into your hands to use it for your glory and your eternal good. Show me how to be a part of Your Kingdom Advance ...

Connect: A coin reminds you of your blessings and to use your blessings to help others.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 (DAY 10) FOCUS:

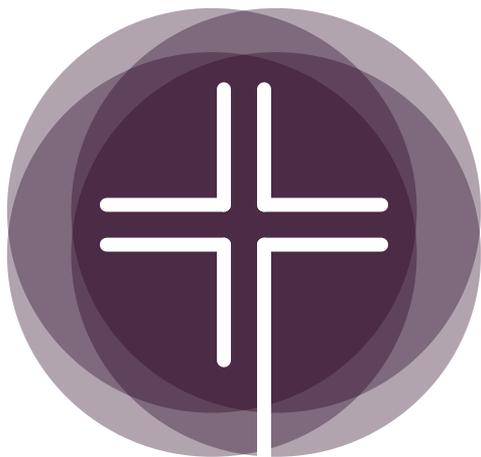
Unity

Read: 1 Peter 3:8-9 “. . . be agreeable, be sympathetic, be loving, be compassionate, be humble. . . . You’ll be a blessing and also get a blessing.”

Pray: Dear Lord,

Thank you for Immanuel Baptist Church. As Jesus and the Holy Spirit are one with You, let us be one with each other, in You. Teach us, Lord, to love fellowship with You and with each other. Take away our desire to put ourselves first; and fill us with Your Presence, Your Joy, Your Way. Let us walk in this world, with You and like You, because of You...

Connect: The interwoven threads in a piece of fabric remind us that we must have Unity in our church as we serve you.



WEEK THREE:
LOVE

Express your love for the Father, in the name of Jesus, in the power of the Spirit. As we love the Father, we can love each other and those with whom we come in contact. All our lives must be love-filled.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 (DAY 11) FOCUS:

Love is God's gift to us, through Jesus

Read: Ephesians 2:4-8 “But God, being rich in mercy because of His great love with which He loved us even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved) and raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. So that in the ages to come, He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of your selves, it is the gift of God.”

Pray: Dear God of love, mercy and grace, joy and peace, and salvation through Jesus, Thank you that your love is a free gift. Thank you for loving us enough to make us your family. We are grateful that you look for us wherever we are. Help us to love you more and share that love with a watching and needy world. Give us humility, and let all our actions reflect you.

Connect: Put the bow in the box to remind us that God's love is a gift to us.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 (DAY 12) FOCUS:

God Paid the Price

Read: 1 John 3:16

“We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoever has the world's goods and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or tongue, but in deed and truth...”

Pray: Father God, thank you for sending Jesus to save me from sin. Thank you that His death was for all of us. Thank you for the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives to guard, guide and comfort us in all things. Help our relationship to you to grow stronger and may we never take your love for granted. Give us boldness and courage to share from the overflow of what you have done in our lives. Direct my heart, my hands and my resources as we excitedly give from what you have given us. Let others see Jesus through my actions...

Connect: A cross reminds us that Christ paid the price for all our sins to be taken away. Let it represent an upward path to our Heavenly Father and reaching outward to others.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 (DAY 13) FOCUS:

God Wants us to Show His Love to Others

Read: John 13:34-35 "By this shall all people know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. A new commandment I give to you. That you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

Pray: Dear Lord, Way, Truth, and Life, thank you for my salvation and relationship with you through Jesus. Thank you that you stand by us in this life of faith. Open our mouths, our hearts, and our lives to bring those who need you into our path. Give us opportunities for conversation. Bring understanding, patience, and the presence of your Spirit to every experience every day. In all our deeds help our first thought to be of your love for us; and let your love be seen in all we do...

Connect: Tie two knots in a string: one reminds us that we are securely tied to Christ; another knot reminds us to share Jesus so others will know Him.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 (DAY 14) FOCUS:

Love Changes Things

Read: Colossians 3:12-15 “So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone, just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things, put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts to which indeed you were called and be thankful.”

Pray: Father of All, thank you today and always for your love. You give it freely and fully. You never hold back. You love us first and draw us to yourself. You let us love you and bring others into our lives to love. Your love makes us whole and so much more like you. Help us to be clothed in your righteousness and keep us in fellowship with you. Help us to want to “put on love”...

Connect: A heart reminds us of God’s love and to love others like God loves us.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 (DAY 15) FOCUS:

Love Overcomes the World

Read: 1 John 5:1-4 “Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God and whoever loves the Father loves the child born of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments... For whatever is born of God overcomes the world...”

Pray: Dear God of All, thank you for your abundant and eternal life plan for us. Thank you for Jesus. Thank you for the Holy Spirit. Thank you for your purpose and plan for each of our lives. We are “in the world” but your Word teaches us that the world cannot overcome our faith. You are all powerful and all present in all our lives. You are the beginning of our faith and promise that there is no end to our hope in you. Keep us from the ways of the world. Help us to choose you every day...

Connect: A key reminds us that He is the key to unlock the purpose and plan for our lives.



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