COASTLANDS Week of Prayer

10th to 14th January 2022

WEEK OF PRAYER - PROGRAMME

| Monday 10 th Jan | 7.30 to 8.30pm | In person at the Church Centre |
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| | | (face masks required) |
| Tuesday 11 th Jan | 7.30 to 8.30pm | Zoom meeting – see details |
| | | below |
| Wednesday 12 th Jan | 10.30 to 11.30am | In person at the Church Centre |
| | | (face masks required) |
| | 7.30 to 8.30pm | Zoom meeting – see details |
| | | below |
| Thursday 13 th Jan | 7.30 to 8.30pm | In person at the Church Centre |
| | | (face masks required) |
| Friday 14th Jan | 7.30 to 8.30pm | Zoom meeting – see details |
| | | below |

Zoom Details: Meeting ID: 885 851 1545 Passcode: 296515

Week of Prayer Pattern

Follow this pattern as you pray:

P - Pause to be still, and take time to Praise.

R - Reflect on a scripture (Giving serious thought & consideration)

A - Ask God to help us and others.

Y - Yield to His will in our lives, come what may.

You will see each day has a focus. Let's explore how God wants to grow us individually and as his church in these areas. During the week we will be using the points featured in the Coastlands Vision Statement.

There is a space on page 6 to write down any thoughts during the prayer week.

MONDAY - Make Friends

Pause to be still. Take time to Praise.

John 15:12-15 NLT

"This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you slaves, because a master doesn't confide in his slaves. Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me."

Friendship with Jesus - what a privilege.

Reflect

Proverbs 18:24 GNB

"Some friendships do not last, but some friends are more loyal than brothers."

What sort of friend am I? - Could I be better at making friends?

Ask God to help us and others.

Who can I be a good friend to?

May be there's a neighbour, someone in my family, the work place, school, college etc. Ask God – 'Who have you lined up who needs my friendship right now?' Our desire is that Coastlands would be a place where lasting friendships are forged. Pray for the team who have a vision to start a "Friendship club" outreach work for older people in Walton. Pray for the Lord to guide them for every detail.

Yield

Holy Spirit prepare me to take friendships seriously - to be in it for the long haul.

TUESDAY - Know God

Pause to be still. Take time to Praise.

Psalms 46:10 NIV

"He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

MSG version:

"Step out of the traffic! Take a long, loving look at me, your High God, above politics, above everything."

Reflect

1 John 5:20 TPT

"And we know that the son of God has come, and has given us understanding so that we can know the true God. And now we live in fellowship with the true God because we live in fellowship with his son, Jesus Christ. He is the only true God, and he is eternal life."

How well do I know God? Is there a limit on how much I want to know God?

Ask God to help us and others.

Use these verses from Colossians as a prayer for yourself and others. Pray that each one would have a deeper relationship with God, that many lives would be transformed in every way. Pray for strength to keep pressing on. Pray for spiritual growth to be seen as we get to know God more.

Colossians 1:9-11 NLT

"So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Then the way you live will always honour and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better. We also pray that you will be strengthened with all his glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy."

Yield

May the knowing of God greatly influence all of my life. Give him everything, trust him with it all, and don't hold back.

WEDNESDAY - Find Freedom

Pause to be still. Take time to Praise.

Galatians 5:1 NIV

"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."

Reflect

Galatians 5:16-25 NLT

"So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what vour sinful nature craves. The sinful nature wants to do evil. which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the Law of Moses. When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarrelling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God. But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives."

Ask God to help us and others.

God wants us living in freedom every day. If I could help myself I would, the truth is we all need help. It's a process, with the Holy Spirit guiding us and the help of other's we can experience freedom.

If I've slipped back into old habits Repent. Holy Spirit I desire to follow you, help me in all of my choices.

Pray for anyone caught in addictive lifestyles. Pray for the Narcotics Anonymous group that meets in the Coastlands Centre - that they will know God who can give them true and lasting freedom.

Yield to his will for life.

Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

THURSDAY - Discover Purpose / Make a Difference

Pause to be still. Take time to Praise.

Take time to read **Psalm 139:1-18**, see the way that God carefully considers the forming of each person.

Verse 14 NLT - Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvellous, how well I know it.

Reflect

Psalm 138:8 NLT – "The LORD will work out his plans for my life - for your faithful love, O LORD, endures forever. Don't abandon me, for you made me." Be confident that God has made you on purpose for a purpose, God has an amazing plan with your name stamped on it. You may have just begun or are well on your way, or even lost your way. It's not too late to discover your purpose and make a difference.

This just shows us how much God loves us as individuals.

Thank God that we are rooted in His love - use what's in bold type below.

Ephesians 3:16-21 NIV

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

Ask God to help us and others.

If you're unsure of your purpose ask the Lord now to accelerate your journey of discovery, be intentional in finding out your amazing 'God shape'. Thank God that you fit in to where He has positioned you.

Yield

I choose to engage with all you have invested within me, and I believe there is more, you've not finished with me yet, with your power at work in my life we can make a difference.

I'm done with playing it safe for you have given me great boldness.

Isaiah 6:8 NLT

"Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?" I said, "Here I am. Send me."

FRIDAY - Belong

Pause to be still. Take time to Praise.

Ephesians 1:3-6 NLT

"All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who BELONG to his dear Son."

Reflect

Ephesians 2:19-22 MSG

"That's plain enough, isn't it? You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You BELONG here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home. He's using us all—irrespective of how we got here—in what he is building. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now he's using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together. We see it taking shape day after day—a holy temple built by God, all of us built into it, a temple in which God is quite at home."

To belong is to be accepted, to feel secure. Don't rush be refreshed in the truth - speak it out "I belong to Jesus."

Ask God to help us and others.

Pray for those who you know who could be described as **wandering exiles**. Be available to be the signpost to show the way of how they can belong to Jesus.

Yield to His will in our lives, come what may.

Use these verses as prayer, surrendering to God, desiring God's will to be done in your life, to be positioned in His Church to be used for His glory.

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PRAYER NOTES