

Weekly Online Prayer Focus

August 3-8

Monthly Memorization

And the master said to the servant, "Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled." ~ Luke 14:23

DAILY AWAKENING PRAYER:

Pray that God would convict and save any deceived, unregenerate church members, who attend church, but have never repented of sin and believed in Jesus for salvation.

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven." —Matthew 7:21

MONDAY: Global Partners – Phillips Family, West Africa

- We praise God for a successful kidney transplant for our spiritual son, Idrissa. There were several miracles that made this possible that even his Muslim doctors in Turkey had to admit they had no explanations for. Pray for his recovery and for him to be a light as he shares the hope he has in Christ and how he came out of Islam.
- Please pray for the final weeks we have with Isabelle to be a sweet time before she begins college. Pray for peace for her as she steps out into this new season.
- Please pray for a group of 40 Fulani men who are gathering this week to better understand the Gospel, evangelism, and the local church. These men are in an area of Niger that is under constant attack from jihadist terrorism. Pray for them to be faithful and wise in how they seek to spread the good news of the Gospel to their own tribes.

TUESDAY: Pregnancy Center and Counseling Center

Pray for the Centers for Biblical Counseling and Pregnancy. Pray that all the people who enter with their own plans in their hearts will experience the Lord and know that it is the Lord's plans that prevail. *"Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's plans that prevails."* **Proverbs 19:21** <https://partner.centersforhope.org/>

WEDNESDAY: 10:2 Focus

The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. **Luke 10:2**

Continue to pray for LH to reach out to neighbors and friends and invite them to gather for worship and be equipped in a Bible Class as we go to 4 services this week!!! Pray also that the signs in the yards of LH will cause neighbors to be interested and desire to come and worship with LH on Sunday mornings.

THURSDAY: A need in our city, nation, or world

Continue to pray for families as summer comes to an end and they begin to prepare for the school year.

- Pray for families to be wise stewards of their time and to begin preparing for the school year.
- Pray for children to adapt well to the change in schedules.
- Pray for families to plan to be in church every Sunday morning for multiple hours.
- Pray for children to have peace about God's plan for their upcoming school year.

FRIDAY: Pray Living Hope (LH) will impact our homes, our neighbors, and every generation with the hope of Jesus.

Continue to ask God to bless LH as we take the challenge to give God our time and money.

- Pray for God to lead each person/family to add an hour to their Sunday morning commitment.
- Pray for God to inspire each person/family to give financially a percentage of their income to God.
- Pray for God to cause LH to invite their unchurched friends to worship and attend a Bible Class and/or Core Class.
- Pray for God to cause LH to grow in maturity, commitment, and hope.

SATURDAY: Pray as we continue our 9th Sermon Series of the year: **The Heart of Living Hope Invites.**

God came to us. He knew we could never earn our way back to Him, so He came to us. Through His victory over sin and death, He now invites us to share in His new life. Every day, we are surrounded by people at work, at school, at home, and in our everyday routines whom God is calling us to invite into that new life in Jesus. In this series, we will be equipped and challenged to live out **The Heart of Living Hope** by intentionally **inviting** others to trust in Christ, gather with us for worship, and to join Living Hope.

Title: People to Get Dressed Up | Text: Matthew 22:1-14

Help: Hunter will lead Lord's Supper

Main Thrust: The Church Age is the season of God's gracious invitation to His Kingdom following Israel's rejection of her Messiah and the judgment that fell upon Jerusalem. The invitation now extends to all who will come, but entrance into God's Kingdom is only on His terms. We must be clothed in the righteousness of Christ, for only those covered by His holiness will enter the wedding feast of the Lamb.

- **Challenge people** to put on Christ and receive the only covering that allows access into heaven.
- **Encourage people** to recognize the power of God to bring judgment on all the world. Those who seem powerful can be and will be destroyed in a day.
- **Teach people** what it means to be clothed in the righteousness of Christ rather than relying on our own goodness.
- **Help people** see both the urgency of responding to God's invitation and the privilege of inviting others to come into Christ and His Kingdom.

Next Week's Text: Matthew 18:10-14