

# PRAYfirst

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*We know that prayer is powerful. It draws us close to God and brings results and unity as we seek Him together. We are taking 21 days as we start the year to seek God FIRST with daily topics and verses, promises, and prayers that you can stand on in faith.*

As you prepare your heart and mind for this special time, please take advantage of the resources that will help equip you:

• **Prayer Info** ([reslife.org/prayfirst](https://reslife.org/prayfirst))



We invite you to join us LIVE at [live.reslife.org](https://live.reslife.org), Facebook, or Youtube, from wherever you are, as we take 7 minutes daily at 7 am AND 7 pm to pray together. Set your alarm and tune in as we unite to seek God and His will.

## DAY 1 (JAN. 3) • FRESH ENCOUNTERS WITH GOD

Jeremiah 29:13, Luke 11:9-13, Acts 2:17, Psalm 119:18, 105, Ephesians 1:17-19 & 3:17-19/ God, as You promised, we seek You and You reveal Yourself to us. We ask for and receive Your Holy Spirit. You said in the last days You would pour out Your Spirit. As we seek You, we ask that You would open our eyes to see what You have for us in Your Word and our lives. Open our eyes to see and know You. God, let us fall in love with You and Your Word.

## DAY 2 (JAN. 4) • FAMILY MEMBERS

Matthew 6:12, 1 Timothy 2:3-4 & Matthew 5:16 / Pray for salvations, forgiveness, healing, and transformation where needed with family. Pray that our families would be molded into His image. That there could be healing and forgiveness from the past so we can become a light that shines from our families with the love of God.

## DAY 3 (JAN. 5) • THE CHURCH

2 Corinthians 5:20, 3:18, Matthew 25:40, Ephesians 4:16, Matthew 16:18, Psalm 133:1, Ephesians 4:13, 1 Peter 3:8, Psalm 119:114 & Luke 22:32 / That God's church would be marked by His love, presence, and power. That people would come to know Jesus and be transformed into His image. That we would show His love and grace to the hurting and broken. God let us be Your hands reaching out in love to those in need.

God, let us be Your hands reaching out in love to those in need. Let our Church be a living expression of Christ as the whole body works together with everyone doing their part in love. We pray that You would build Your church. We pray for unity in the church as we all submit to You as the head and that people's faith would grow strong and not fail.

## DAY 4 (JAN. 6) • THE LOST

God, as we pray, we ask that You would give us Your heart for the lost. "I pray for \_\_\_\_\_ who needs to know You; that the Lord of the harvest would send laborers to reach \_\_\_\_\_ with the gospel that is the power of God to salvation. (Luke 10:2 & Romans 1:16) I pray that the light of Christ would shine on \_\_\_\_\_ whose mind has been blinded by the god of this age and would open their hearts to receive the love of God. (2 Corinthians 4:4,6) I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ be filled with a love of the truth and revelation of Christ.

(2 Thessalonians 2:10 & 3:5) Grant \_\_\_\_\_ repentance so that they may know the truth, come to their senses, and escape the snare of the devil who has taken them captive to do his will. (2 Tim. 2:25-26) You desire for all, including \_\_\_\_\_, to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth! Thank You for drawing them to You today. Thank You, Jesus, for coming that they might have life and have it more abundantly! (1 Timothy 2:4, John 3:16 & 10:10) Give \_\_\_\_\_ a heart to know what Christ did for them, that they may turn to Him with their whole heart and know Him as their Father. (Jeremiah 24:7) Lord, it is Your will that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him has eternal life. Thank You for Your great love for \_\_\_\_\_. (John 6:40) Open their eyes to behold wonderful things from Your Word. (Psalm 119:18) According to the authority You give us, I loose \_\_\_\_\_ from the lies and bondages that have kept them from seeing Christ's glorious light and the beauty and joy of a personal relationship with Jesus. I bind away from them all the distractions that would hinder them from hearing the Good News of Christ today and I bind them to the love of God for them. May they taste and see how good You are and not be able to escape Your love and mercy. (Matthew 18:18 & Psalm 34:8) Out of Your glorious riches grant \_\_\_\_\_ to be strengthened with power through Your Spirit working in them so that Christ may dwell in their hearts through faith. I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will become rooted and grounded in love and may have power together with all the saints to grasp the amazing extent of Your love for them, and be filled up to all the fullness of God. (Ephesians 3:16-19)"

## DAY 5 (JAN. 7) • HEALING

Matthew 9:35 & 10:8, Luke 10:9, James 5:15, Psalm 107:19-21 / The Bible says that we serve the Lord God our healer. Jesus showed us the will of the Father as He went around healing the sick. He then told us to go and heal the sick. So we thank God that sickness is not from God and bind sickness and disease, we commend it to leave in Jesus name. We speak healing in Jesus name. We pray for physical and emotional wounds, and all that has been injured, hurt, damaged, or jaded.

## DAY 6 (JAN. 8) • OUR CITY

Matt 5:14 / God called us to be the city on a hill that couldn't be hidden. Let our light shine in our city God. We ask that You do a work here. Jesus told His disciples to start in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the end of the earth. We are to start here. God use us and have Your way in our city.

## DAY 7 (JAN. 9) • FINANCES

Proverbs 3:5-10, Philipppians 4:19, Deuteronomy 28:8, 11, Psalm 1:3, 34:10 & 2 Corinthians 9:6-12 / God cares about us and wants to be involved in our finances. Proverbs 3 tells us if we acknowledge Him in all our ways that He will direct our paths. As we honor Him with our finances He will pour out a blessing.

God, we submit our finances to You and ask for Your direction and blessing. Thank You that You are more than enough to supply all we need and plenty of good seed to abound in good works, according to Your riches. Have Your way in our finances and the finances of the church and fellow believers.

## DAY 8 (JAN. 10) • ISRAEL

Genesis 12:2, Genesis 17: 7, Jeremiah 33:9 / Ps 122:6-7: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. 7 Peace be

within your walls, prosperity within your palaces.” NKJV

#### **DAY 9 (JAN. 11) • NEIGHBORS, COWORKERS, CLASSMATES**

Matthew 5:16 & 1 Timothy 2:1-4 / Sometimes it’s easier to pray for people on the other side of the world than the people we see everyday but let’s pray for those that are lost. Pray that they would come to know Him and that those who know God would be drawn closer to Him. Pray that those who have been living half-hearted would be drawn into an all-in relationship with God. Pray that we could be a light and an example to our neighbors, coworkers, and classmates.

#### **DAY 10 (JAN. 12) • MARRIAGES**

Ephesians 4:32, Psalm 103:12, Matthew 5:16 & Romans 14:19 / Pray for your marriage and for others. Pray that as we have received God’s forgiveness, we would grant forgiveness to others. God, grant us freedom from past mistakes and healing from past hurts. We pray that passion would be reignited and grow more than ever. We pray that our homes could become a source Your love that draws others toward You.

#### **DAY 11 (JAN. 13) • YOUTH & EDUCATION**

1 Timothy 4:12, Jeremiah 1:5, Ephesians 2:10 & Acts 2:17 / God, thank You for Your great plans for our children and youth. Reveal Yourself to and through them. You said that You would pour out Your Spirit on all flesh and that our sons and daughters would prophesy. You said that You love them and call them to You. Have Your way in our education system. May a revival sweep through the schools. May students be filled with Your Spirit and power. May Your love and power be on display so lives are changed forever..

#### **DAY 12 (JAN. 14) • THE BROKEN & HURTING**

Luke 4:18 / God has a heart for the broken. Pray for those in prison, the homeless, widows, orphans, those in foster care, sex trafficking, addicted, broken-hearted, and poor. Pray for healing and revival in the places of brokenness (jails, schools, nursing homes, etc.).

#### **DAY 13 (JAN. 15) • PEOPLE RAISED UP TO SERVE**

Luke 10:2 (ESV) & Isaiah 6:8 (ESV) / Pray that God would raise up people to love, to give, and to boldly be salt in our families, church, jobs, city, country, and world.

#### **DAY 14 (JAN. 16) • GOVERNMENT**

1 Timothy 2:1-2, 4, Exodus 22:28, Acts 23:5 & James 1:5 / Pray for kings and rulers. Do not speak evil of our leaders and rulers. Pray for God to reveal Himself and draw towards Him the men and women in leadership of our country. Pray for wisdom, salvation, unity, and for God to have His way in and through our leaders.

#### **DAY 15 (JAN. 17) • PARENTS**

Deuteronomy 4:40, Genesis 18:19, Galatians 5:22, Psalm 127:1 & Psalm 128 / God, You said children are a blessing. We ask that Your blessing would be on every parent and that You give them wisdom and knowledge as they are raising kids. Fill them with Your Spirit that overflows with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. Help us be examples of You and of Your love.

#### **DAY 16 (Jan. 18) • UNITY**

Ephesians 2:13-16, Galatians 3:28, 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 Revelation 7:9 & Acts 1:14 / Breaking down the barriers of race, finances, age, geography.

#### **DAY 17 (JAN. 19) • FOR GOD TO WORK THROUGH US**

Isaiah 6:8 (ESV), 2 Corinthians 5:20 & Acts 4:29-31 / Pray that men and women would be bold for Christ, letting His love shine through them and draw others toward Him.

God, use me in the places that I go and in the people that I see. Show

me who You want me to reach, who You want me to help, and how to be Your hands and feet. Holy Spirit, give us Your gifts to meet needs and show Your love.

#### **DAY 18 (JAN. 20) • MISSIONARIES**

Romans 10:14-15, 3 John 1:8, 2 Timothy 4:17-18 & Luke 10:2-7 / Pray for missionaries, that God would protect and provide for them. That doors of opportunity would open for them to share the Gospel with the world.

#### **DAY 19 (JAN. 21) • MEDIA, ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

Psalm 19:14, Psalm 12:6-8, Proverbs 18:21 & Romans 10:15 / Let’s make a stand in prayer that godly men and women would come to prominent and influential roles in media, arts, and entertainment. Pray that those already in influential roles would turn to God. Let it spark a movement so God’s light begins to shine in every area of our lives.

God, in every part of our world, let Your power, love, and grace be on display. May truth begin to ring out through the media. May we walk in unity instead of division. May hatred and divisiveness melt away and let Your presence mark us and the media.

#### **DAY 20 (JAN. 22) • PRAYING SCRIPTURE**

Matt 6:9-13 Col 1:9-12 Phil 1:9-11 Eph 3 16-21, Luke 22:45, PS 119:18 & James 1:5; / Praying scripture is one of the most powerful ways that we can pray. When we stand on scriptures as we pray we can know that we are praying according to God’s will and based on His promises for us. (1 John 5:14) May these scriptures help you as you pray today, and may they guide when our 21 structured days come to a close.

#### **DAY 21 (JAN. 23) • NATIONAL REVIVAL**

Acts 4:29-31, 2:17, Psalm 2:8, Chronicles 7:14 & Zechariah 10:1 / As we pray for God’s will, He said that He would that everyone be saved. Let us pray for hearts all across our land to come to Him. Let us pray for believers whose lives don’t reflect His, to be drawn to Him. Let hearts all across our nation turn to God. God we ask You to pour out Your spirit on all flesh. May we encounter You and be filled with Your spirit and power. May there be a move of God like no other in history as people begin to come to You and return to You by the millions. May we be filled with Your Spirit. Fill Your people with boldness to declare You. Confirm Your word with signs and wonders and let hearts be hungry and turn to You. Send laborers to all these hearts You have prepared. You said to ask for the Nations so God we ask for the nations; for a move of Your spirit and a turning of hearts to You.

#### **CELEBRATION (JAN. 24)**

1 Chronicles 16:8 (NKJV) / Today we celebrate what God has done and we continue to pray that God’s will would be done. Tonight we will celebrate with a night of worship, testimonies, and fellowship. Come join us at 5 pm.