

40 Days *of prayer*

*Continue
steadfastly
in prayer.*
Colossians 4:2



March 4–April 12, 2020
mountaincreekbc.org/40days

Pray For Your One: _____.

How to get the most out of these 40 Days



- **Pray.** Ask God in advance to work in your life in such a way that these weeks will lead to a step forward in your prayer life that lasts beyond April 12th. If you've never had a consistent prayer life, this is a great first step! If you've been doing well in this area, pray that you can grow still more during these weeks.
- **Read.** Be sure to read the booklet *Enjoy Your Prayer Life* by Michael Reeves, available for free at MCBC. Slowly read this short book and let its words help you to consider the heart of prayer.
- **Join us.** Each Sunday night during the 40 Days we will have a special prayer service at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. Join us and let's seek God together in prayer.
- **Pray for your one.** Who is one non-Christian who you can commit to pray for specifically each day throughout these 40 Days? Write that name at the top of this book and pray for that individual. Invite that person to join us on Easter Sunday, and pray for opportunities to share Christ!
- **Keep praying.** Seek by God's help to make a commitment to not miss a day, but even if you miss a few days, pick it back up, and keep praying. Jump back in. God has given us an invitation to have an audience with the King of the Universe, the One who created and upholds all that there is! What a privilege!

Week One



DAY 1: Wednesday, March 4

- Read Colossians 1:9–14 and, using it as a model of prayer, pray for our church. Pray that God would fill us with the knowledge of His will; that we would live in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him and bearing fruit; that we would increase in the knowledge of God; that we would be strengthened with His power for endurance and patience with joy; that we would be those who continually give thanks to God the Father for what He has done for us in Christ.

DAY 2: Thursday, March 5

- Pray for the Piedmont Women’s Center. This ministry is hosting the “Night for Life”, their Spring fundraising event tonight. Pray for God to provide all they need for their important ministry to mothers and fathers as they help people choose life.

DAY 3: Friday, March 6

- Read Colossians 4:2–6 and pray through these verses for our mission partners with the IMB, for Jonathan and Chelsea Moseley with King’s Hill Church in Boston, and for our own witness here in Greenville

DAY 4: Saturday, March 7

- Pray for our Life Group leaders and children’s and youth Sunday School teachers. Ask God to help them as they seek to faithfully teach His Word. Thank God for their service to our church family.

Week Two

DAY 5: Sunday, March 8

- Read Philippians 2:12–13, the passage for this morning's worship service. Praying specifically for our church, families, individuals, and in your own life, ask God to help us apply this passage to our lives in ways that honor Him.

DAY 6: Monday, March 9

- Read Paul's prayer in 2 Thessalonians 1:11–12 and use it as a model prayer. Think of three specific people in our church and pray Paul's prayer in specific ways for those people.

DAY 7: Tuesday, March 10

- Pray specifically for another church in our community that is near to your home. If you know their pastor, pray for him by name. Pray for their faithfulness to Christ, their love for one another, and their witness to the community.

DAY 8: Wednesday, March 11

- Pray that the kids who come to MC Kids tonight would know they are loved by our church and by God Himself, and that they would grow to love the church and be committed to Christ and His church for a lifetime.

DAY 9: Thursday, March 12

- Pray for the upcoming elections this year – local, state, and national. Pray for God to give us wisdom; pray that our current elected leaders and those we elect this year would trust Christ and follow His ways and His word.

DAY 10: Friday, March 13

- Pray for the marriages in our congregation. Ask God to grow strong marriages and strong families that would reflect His love to the world around us.

DAY 11: Saturday, March 14

- Pray Psalm 119:18 for our worship service and our Life Groups and children & youth Sunday School classes tomorrow morning. Ask God to open our eyes that we might behold wonderful things in his word during our time together.

Week Three 

DAY 12: Sunday, March 15

- Read Philippians 2:14–18, the passage for this morning's worship service. Ask God to give us hearts that are soft to His Word, and to help us be doers and not just hearers of His Word. Pray for us to live this passage out in our community this week.
- Day 1 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions (see NAMB prayer guide or MCBC Facebook page)

DAY 13: Monday, March 16

- Read Ephesians 3:14–21 and pray this prayer for our church and for a non-Christian in your life.
- Day 2 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions

DAY 14: Tuesday, March 17

- Pray for the college students who are a part of our church family. Pray for God to grow them in this season of their life to be lifelong laborers for the Kingdom.
- Day 3 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions

DAY 15: Wednesday, March 18

- Pray for our youth to grow in their love for God, His Word, and His church, and that they would become passionate about following Jesus obediently in every area of life.
- Day 4 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions

DAY 16: Thursday, March 19

- Pray for those who are enduring difficult seasons of life. Pray specifically for those you know by name. Pray also for our shut-ins and their family members who are caring for them.
- Day 5 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions

DAY 17: Friday, March 20

- Pray for Chosen Children Ministries in Nicaragua and their work to plant churches and provide homes and education opportunities for families in the barrios of their country. Pray for our team traveling to Nicaragua later this year, that God would prepare them to serve and that they would have a successful week of ministry.
- Day 6 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions

DAY 18: Saturday, March 21

- Pray for the MCBC kids choirs' workers to be encouraged in their work with our kids, and for the kids in the choirs to understand the message in the songs they sing. Pray in advance for their Spring musical, to be held on May 3rd.
- Day 7 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions

Week Four 

DAY 19: Sunday, March 22

- Read Philippians 2:19–30, the passage for this morning's worship service. Ask God to help us to live like these two great examples of humble service in our actions and attitudes towards one another and the community in which we live.
- Day 8 – Week of Prayer for North American Missions. Pray for our giving to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

DAY 20: Monday, March 23

- Read John 17:14–23. Use Jesus's prayer as a model prayer, and pray for Mountain Creek to stay built on the Word (14, 17), for our protection (15) as we have been sent out into the world (18), and for our unity for the sake of reflecting God to the world around us (21–23).

DAY 21: Tuesday, March 24

- Pray for our national, state, and community government leaders. Pray that they would make God-honoring decisions and pray for open doors for those who seek to bring the gospel to them.

DAY 22: Wednesday, March 25

- Pray for our military serving around the world and our SBC chaplains who work to encourage them and bring the gospel to them as they serve.

DAY 23: Thursday, March 26

- Pray for unity and reconciliation in our nation where there is currently racial and ideological tension and division. This will only happen as men and women are reconciled to God through Christ, so pray that the gospel would permeate our culture, leading to a revival in our churches and an awakening among those apart from Christ.

DAY 24: Friday, March 27

- Pray for the MCBC Deacons – Chris Brannon, Barry Daigle, Jerry Daigle, Mike James, John Lawless, Chase Livingston, Wayne McJunkin, and David Vaughn. Pray that they would continue to serve our church in a way that honors Christ by meeting the needs of the Body.

DAY 25: Saturday, March 28

- Pray for our church staff – Rhett Burns, Martha Crouse, Matt Hall, and Bert Watts, and for our office staff – Whitney Pendell and Brenda Whitaker. Pray for God to give them wisdom, pray for their personal walks with Christ, and pray for their families.

DAY 26: Sunday, March 29

- Read Philippians 3:1–8, the passage for this morning’s worship service. Pray that we would rejoice in the Lord in our daily lives. Pray that we would find our gain in Christ, and not in the world or in our own accomplishments.

DAY 27: Monday, March 30

- Read Ephesians 1:15–23 and pray for our church, that our eyes would be open to the hope that we have in Christ, our inheritance in Him with the saints, and the greatness of his power toward us. Pray that we would live in such a way that shows Christ as supreme over all things.

DAY 28: Tuesday, March 31

- Pray for the orphans and children in foster care. Pray for God to provide loving homes that value the children and point them to hope in Christ. Pray for families who foster children to be encouraged in the work.

DAY 29: Wednesday, April 1

- Pray for the staff and faculty at our local schools, both public schools and our homeschool families. Pray for those teachers and staff members who are followers of Jesus to have wisdom as they seek to serve God faithfully in these schools.

DAY 30: Thursday, April 2

- Pray for three groups in our church: the Joy Club, Men's Ministry, and MC Women. Pray also for their leaders.

DAY 31: Friday, April 3

- Pray for our community's first responders (law enforcement, EMTs, firefighters, etc.). Pray that they would trust in Christ, and pray for their safety and protection, strength and compassion as they serve our community.

DAY 32: Saturday, April 4

- Pray for your immediate neighbors by name. If you do not know them, pray for opportunities to get to know them. Ask for opportunities to serve them and show love to them, and ask for opportunities to share the good news of Jesus Christ with them.

Week Six

DAY 33: Sunday, April 5

- As we enter Holy Week, read the account of Palm Sunday, as recorded in Luke 19:28–40. Pray that we would be filled with rejoicing and live lives of praise to God for the Savior that He sent.

DAY 34: Monday, April 6

- Read Luke 19:41–48 and pray that these 40 Days would help us grow in our commitment to prayer as God's church.

DAY 35: Tuesday, April 7

- Read Luke 20 and pray for us to be a people who live in humble submission under the authority of Christ our King.

DAY 36: Wednesday, April 8

- Read Luke 21:1–22:6 and pray for strength to endure opposition, and that we would persevere in staying committed to Christ alone.

DAY 37: Thursday, April 9

- Read Luke 22:7–65. Reflect on what Christ instituted in the Lord's Supper, and what Christ endured on this night in his agony in the garden, his betrayal and his arrest. Pray for us to grow in our commitment to Him as we remember what He did for us throughout this coming weekend.

DAY 38: Friday, April 10

- Read Luke 22:66–23:56. Spend time confessing specific sins that you have committed, for which Jesus had to give His life on the cross for your salvation. Join us at our Good Friday service this evening to remember and reflect on the sacrifice of Christ for us.

DAY 39: Saturday, April 11

- Read Isaiah 53. On this day that was a day of mourning and uncertainty for Jesus's followers, pray for those in our community who do not know the truth of what Christ has done for us. Pray for those who are apart from Christ but who will be joining us tomorrow morning for worship. Pray for the gospel to be made clearly known and for them to have soft hearts, ready to receive the Good News.

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Resurrection Sunday



DAY 40: Sunday, April 12

- Read Luke 24 and praise God for the resurrection of Christ and the hope that it gives us in Him. Ask God to help us see everything in Scripture and in life in light of Jesus, and ask Him to send us out to proclaim repentance and forgiveness of sins, from Greenville to all nations.

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