



February 24-April 4, 2021
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Pray For Your One: _____.

How to get the most out of these 40 days

- **Pick up the book.** This year's book that we'll read together is Megan Hill's very helpful, very practical book, *Praying Together*. Copies of this book will be available in the Welcome Center for \$5. Read the book during these 40 Days as we seek to grow as a praying church.
- **Pray with us.** Keep this booklet in your Bible and pray daily along with the church.
- **Pray for your one.** Who is someone you know – perhaps a family member or a friend, a coworker or a classmate – who is far from God? Would you commit to pray daily for that person during these 40 Days leading up to Easter Sunday? Would you pray for an opportunity to share Christ with that person, and invite them to join us in-person or online on Easter Sunday, April 4th?

The promises of God concerning prayer are rich and sweet. In his kindness, he has promised to hear and to answer, to be near and to comfort, to heal and to strengthen, to send out laborers for the harvest and to open the eyes of our hearts, all in response to the prayers of his people. So join with us as we pray together.

WEEK ONE

DAY 1: Wednesday, February 24

- Psalm 145:18 promises that “the Lord is near to all who call on him.” Pray that in these 40 Days of prayer we would know God’s nearness and that we would walk faithfully with him in response.

DAY 2: Thursday, February 25

- Jeremiah declared of God: “Nothing is too hard for you!” (Jer. 32:17). Ask God to increase our faith as we pray, that we may pray with confidence.

DAY 3: Friday, February 26

- 2 Corinthians 3:18 tells us that as we behold “the glory of the Lord, we are being transformed into same image.” Pray that we would keep our focus on the glory of the Lord as we pray together, and that God would continue to transform us to be more like him.

DAY 4: Saturday, February 27

- Read Hebrews 7:25 and reflect on the promise that “he (Jesus) is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.” Thank God for the truth that Jesus still lives and intercedes for you.

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WEEK TWO

DAY 5: Sunday, February 28

- 2 Timothy 3:16 tells us that “all Scripture is profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.” With that in mind, read back over the passage from this morning’s sermon, and write down one thing that you need to know, that you need to stop doing, that you need to change, and that you need to start doing in response to God’s Word. Pray over these application points.

DAY 6: Monday, March 1

- Pray that Psalm 73:25–26 would be true of our church: that we would desire nothing on earth besides God himself.

DAY 7: Tuesday, March 2

- God’s Word “is a lamp to (our) feet and a light to (our) path” (Psalm 119:105). Pray for MCBC families (parents with children, and husbands and wives) to prioritize reading the Scriptures together at home, that we would follow him on his path.

DAY 8: Wednesday, March 3

- One of MCBC’s strategic goals is to double the number of our Life Groups so that we will be ready to welcome in others to follow Jesus together with us. Pray Romans 15:7, that we would welcome one another as Christ has welcomed us, for the glory of God.

DAY 9: Thursday, March 4

- Pray for our nation the prayer of Isaiah 33:2 – “O LORD, be gracious to us; we wait for you. Be our arm every morning, our salvation in the time of trouble.”

DAY 10: Friday, March 5

- Jesus commanded us to pray for laborers to be sent out into the harvest (Matthew 9:38). Pray that God would use our Mission Kids Sunday School curriculum to plant a love for God’s global glory in the hearts of our kids so that they grow up to pray for missions, give to missions, and, hopefully for some of our children, go live on mission among unreached peoples.

DAY 11: Saturday, March 6

- Read and reflect on 2 Corinthians 5:14–15. Make it your prayer that you would not live for yourself but for him who for your sake died and was raised.

WEEK THREE

DAY 12: Sunday, March 7

- Read back over the passage from this morning’s sermon, and write down one thing that you need to know, that you need to stop doing, that you need to change, and that you need to start doing in response to God’s Word. Pray over these application points.

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DAY 13: Monday, March 8

- Pray for our youth and college students as they balance school and extracurricular activities, praying Romans 12:1 for them, that they would not be conformed to this world, but being transformed into Christ's likeness, they would represent Jesus in every arena of their lives.

DAY 14: Tuesday, March 9

- James 1:5 tells us to ask for wisdom and God will give it generously. Ask for wisdom for our families, married couples, and singles regarding the various situations, trials, and circumstances they may be facing.

DAY 15: Wednesday, March 10

- Pray that we would "seek to show hospitality" to our neighbors (Romans 12:13). Ask God to strengthen our relationships with those who live around us, that we may be a light for the gospel to them.

DAY 16: Thursday, March 11

- Jeremiah 2:13 laments that people have forsaken God, "the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water." Pray for our nation, that our people would see that life is found in God, and that they would turn to him.

DAY 17: Friday, March 12

- Pray One of MCBC's strategic goals is to send some from our church to live and proclaim Christ among unreached peoples or places. Pray that God would raise up some to do this, and that we may partner with them to preach the gospel where Christ has not yet been named (Romans 15:20).

DAY 18: Saturday, March 13

- Read and reflect on 2 Timothy 2:22. Ask God to give you both the desire and strength to flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace. Be specific in praying about anything you need to flee, and specific things you need to pursue instead.

WEEK FOUR

DAY 19: Sunday, March 14

- Read back over the passage from this morning's sermon, and write down one thing that you need to know, that you need to stop doing, that you need to change, and that you need to start doing in response to God's Word. Pray over these application points.

DAY 20: Monday, March 15

- Jesus said, "let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them" (Matthew 19:14). Pray for MCBC children to

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love Jesus. Pray that in the years to come, their testimony would be that they have loved Jesus and sought to obey and honor him for as long as they can remember.

DAY 21: Tuesday, March 16

- Pray for marriages at Mountain Creek to be strong and healthy pictures of Christ's love for his church (Ephesians 5:25–28). Pray for singles at Mountain Creek to continue to find contentment in Christ, trusting that God in Christ is withholding no good thing from us (Psalm 84:11).

DAY 22: Wednesday, March 17

- One of MCBC's strategic goals is to increase every year the number of gospel conversations that we have with our neighbors. Pray for an opportunity to share the gospel today, that you may "proclaim the excellencies of him who called us ... into his marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

DAY 23: Thursday, March 18

- Pray for our nation, that God would shine the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ to open the eyes that have been blinded by the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:4).

DAY 24: Friday, March 19

- God promised to send Christ as "a light for the nations, that (his) salvation may reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6). Pray for a nation that you have heard of in the news

recently, that God would send his gospel forward through his people in that nation.

DAY 25: Saturday, March 20

- Read and reflect on Hebrews 11:13–16. Ask God to give you the same desire to pursue the “better country, that is, a heavenly one” that marked the saints of old.

WEEK FIVE

DAY 26: Sunday, March 21

- Read back over the passage from this morning’s sermon, and write down one thing that you need to know, that you need to stop doing, that you need to change, and that you need to start doing in response to God’s Word. Pray over these application points.

DAY 27: Monday, March 22

- Ask God to help us as a church to “press on to know the Lord” (Hosea 6:3). Pray that we would know him more, and knowing him, that we would become more like him.

DAY 28: Tuesday, March 23

- God’s word instructs fathers to bring up their children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4). Pray for our parents at Mountain Creek as they seek to disciple their kids. Pray for encouragement and wisdom for them as they parent their children and teenagers.

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DAY 29: Wednesday, March 24

- Pray for opportunities for us to extend the invitation of Christ to our neighbors, inviting them to come to him and find rest (Matthew 11:28–30). Pray specifically for your neighbors, coworkers, or classmates.

DAY 30: Thursday, March 25

- One of our strategic goals as a church is to send some to labor for the gospel in areas of need here in South Carolina. Like Paul's Macedonian call (Acts 16:20), ask God to make it clear where we should invest our efforts and send some to help proclaim Christ here in our own state.

DAY 31: Friday, March 26

- As he served to advance the gospel, Paul's simple exhortation to established churches was, "Brothers, pray for us." (1 Thess. 5:25) Pray for Pastor Jonathan Moseley, his wife, Chelsea, and their children in Boston, Massachusetts. Pray for King's Hill Church and for their outreach this Easter.

DAY 32: Saturday, March 27

- Read and reflect on Matthew 5:2–12, praying through the Beatitudes. Ask God to give you and our church a "hunger and thirst for righteousness."

WEEK SIX

DAY 33: Sunday, March 28

- Read back over the passage from this morning's sermon, and write down one thing that you need to know, that you need to stop doing, that you need to change, and that you need to start doing in response to God's Word. Pray over these application points.

DAY 34: Monday, March 29

- Pray for our volunteers working with our children and youth. Pray for them as they seek to connect with these kids, that they would have wisdom and love as they give counsel and teach. Pray that they would be following Jesus faithfully themselves, that they may be able to say honestly "follow me as I follow Christ" (1 Corinthians 11:1).

DAY 35: Tuesday, March 30

- Pray Psalm 127:1 for our families at Mountain Creek, that the Lord would build and watch over our households.

DAY 36: Wednesday, March 31

- Ask God to show us practical ways that we can serve our neighbors and the community around us (1 John 3:17-18).

DAY 37: Thursday, April 1

- Pray for our IMB missionaries and local believers around the world. Ask God to open doors for the word, that they can declare and make clear the mystery of Christ, and that they would walk in wisdom and grace (Colossians 4:4-6).

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DAY 38: Friday, April 2

- 1 Peter 2:24 tells us of Christ that “He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.” As we reflect on the gospel this Good Friday, ask God to use us to proclaim this good news to our neighbors and the nations.

DAY 39: Saturday, April 3

- Read and reflect on Isaiah 43:25. Praise God that he blots out all your transgressions for his own sake and remembers your sin no more.

**RESURRECTION
SUNDAY**

DAY 40: Sunday, April 4

- The message of the death and resurrection of Jesus is an invitation to pray. In him, “we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens,” and “one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.” Pray then that as we end these 40 days, we would continue to “with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need” (Hebrews 4:14–16).

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