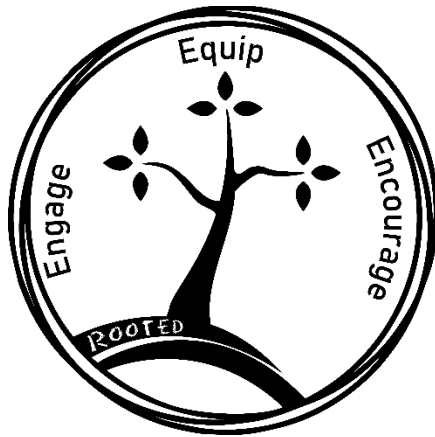


## 40 Days to Engage, Equip, and Encourage Highland in Prayer



“A changed world begins with us...and a changed us  
begins when we pray.” – Eugene Peterson

# **How Do We Pray?**



## **Day One**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
and Jesus said, "This is how you pray."

<sup>9</sup>"This, then, is how you should pray:

"Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
<sup>10</sup> your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup> Give us today our daily bread.

<sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one."

Matthew 6:9-13

## **Day Two**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Begin with Adoration

<sup>10</sup>He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth."

Psalm 46:10



## **Day Three**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Then Confess

<sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

## **Day Four**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Continue with Thanksgiving

<sup>4</sup>Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.

Psalm 100:4



## **Day Five**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Finish with **Supplication**

<sup>10</sup> Create in me a pure heart, O God,  
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10

## **Day Six**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Know the Holy Spirit will help

<sup>26</sup> In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. <sup>27</sup> And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

Romans 8:26-27

## How do we pray for our Highland Family?



### **Day Seven**

Today's Prayer Focus:

*Our pastor, Brandon McCarroll, and family,  
Hope, Melody, Hannah and Silas*

<sup>15</sup> For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, <sup>16</sup> I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup> I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit<sup>[a]</sup> of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. <sup>18</sup> I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, <sup>19</sup> and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength.

Ephesians 1:15-19



## **Day Eight**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Our leaders in ministry:

Karen Nicholson, Larry Davis, John Tapley,  
Amy Cooper, Jack Newton, Preston Barthold, and  
future Student Minister.

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, <sup>10</sup> so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, <sup>11</sup> being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, <sup>12</sup> and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.

Colossians 1:9-12



## Day Nine

Today's Prayer Focus:

Our People:

Making and keeping connections, both new and old

<sup>24</sup>And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,<sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

## **Day Ten**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Those at Highland with health concerns

<sup>10</sup>So do not fear, for I am with you;  
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you and help you;  
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10



## **Day Eleven**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
The children's and youth programs

<sup>5</sup> Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup> These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

Deuteronomy 6:5-7

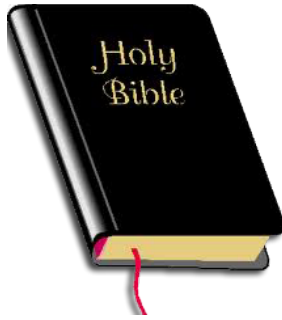
## **Day Twelve**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Our ministry to college and international students

<sup>19</sup> Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household,

Ephesians 2:19



## **Day Thirteen**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Bible Studies and our Sunday School Teachers

<sup>105</sup> Your word is a lamp for my feet,  
a light on my path.

Psalm 119:105

<sup>8</sup> I will instruct you and teach you in the way you  
should go;  
I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

Psalm 32:8

## **Day Fourteen**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Our facility and those who care for it

<sup>1</sup> I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Psalm 122:1



## **Day Fifteen**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Missions (Operation Christmas Child, Adopt a School)

and our missionaries we support overseas and the MAP Program

<sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20



## **Day Sixteen**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Looking forward and the future of our church

<sup>18</sup> Where there is no revelation, people cast off  
restraint;  
but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's  
instruction.

Proverbs 29:18

**What do we value? We are...**



## **Day Seventeen**

Today's Prayer Focus  
We are rooted in Christ

<sup>6</sup> So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:6-7

## **Day Eighteen**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
We are rooted in love

<sup>16</sup> I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> 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, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:16-19



## Day Nineteen

Today's Prayer Focus:  
We are rooted in Scripture

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God<sup>[a]</sup> may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

## **Day Twenty**

Today's Prayer Focus:

We are generous with our offerings

<sup>7</sup> Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7



## **Day Twenty-One**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
We are generous with others

<sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you  
to the interests of the others.

Philippians 2:4

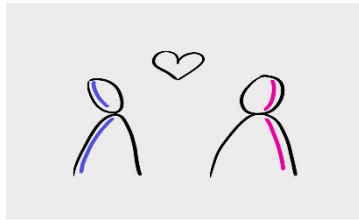
## **Day Twenty-Two**

Today's Prayer Focus:

We are relational by loving one another

<sup>34</sup>“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

John 13:34



## **Day Twenty-Three**

Today's Prayer Focus:

We are relational in prayer and fellowship

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Acts 2:42



## **Day Twenty-Four**

Today's Prayer Focus:

We are remaining constant in trials

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

James 1:12



## **Day Twenty-Five**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
We are remembering our history

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup>fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1-2

## **Day Twenty-Six**

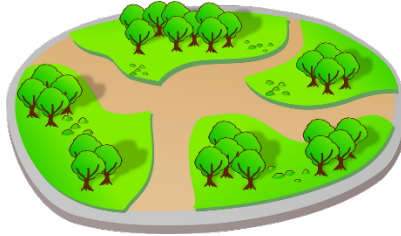
Today's Prayer Focus:

We are remaining constant in our beliefs

<sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

2 Timothy 4:7

## **Who is my neighbor?**



### **Day Twenty-Seven**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Our next-door neighbor, McKenna Park, the city employees who care for it, and those who visit the park including the homeless.

<sup>4</sup> This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: <sup>5</sup> “Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. <sup>6</sup> Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. <sup>7</sup> Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”

Jeremiah 29:4-7

## **Day Twenty-Eight**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Schools in our neighborhood:  
Newton Rayzor, Denton High, UNT

<sup>13</sup> People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. <sup>14</sup> When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup> And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

Mark 10:13-16



## **Day Twenty-Nine**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Residents in our neighborhood,  
particularly those who don't know Christ.

<sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words  
may be given me so that I will fearlessly make  
known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am  
an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it  
fearlessly, as I should.

Ephesians 6:19-20

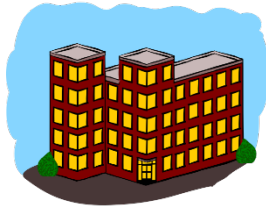
## **Day Thirty**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Over 24,000 people (with more coming) live within  
1.5 miles of Highland

<sup>2</sup> Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. <sup>3</sup> And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message

Colossians 4:2-3a



## **Day Thirty-One**

Today's Prayer Focus:

New residents in apartments and homes (The Vista, Resia, Eastpark Apartments and other new builds within 1.5 miles of Highland)

<sup>5</sup> Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. <sup>6</sup> Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Colossians 4:5-6



## **Day Thirty-Two**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Over 9,000 residents are in college or just starting  
careers

<sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak.

<sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;

<sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the Lord  
will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.

Isaiah 40:29-31



## **Day Thirty-Three**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Those in our neighborhood searching for job opportunities that would provide for their family

<sup>12</sup> I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. <sup>13</sup> That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God.

Ecclesiastes 3:12-13

## **Day Thirty-Four**

Today's Prayer Focus:

Average household income in our neighborhood is  
below \$60,000

<sup>12</sup> I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. <sup>13</sup> That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God.

1 John 3:16-18



## **Day Thirty-Five**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Over 2,600 residents are school age

<sup>14</sup> Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me,  
and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven  
belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14

## **Day Thirty-Six**

Today's Prayer Focus:

36% of school age children live in  
single-parent homes

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever  
you did for one of the least of these brothers and  
sisters of mine, you did for me.’

Matthew 25:40



## **Day Thirty-Seven**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Our neighbors of varying abilities.

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

Matthew 25:40

## **Day Thirty-Eight**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Other ministries helping our neighbors  
(First Refuge, First Baptist,  
The Village, St. David's)

<sup>27</sup> Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

James 1:27



## **Day Thirty-Nine**

Today's Prayer Focus:  
Our country and its leaders

<sup>1</sup>I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— <sup>2</sup>for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

1 Timothy 2:1-2



## **Day Forty**

Today's Prayer Focus:

What does God want us to do in this neighborhood  
where He has placed Highland?

<sup>35</sup> Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Matthew 9:35-38

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