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21 DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING GUIDE

Introduction

As we start this 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting, we need to remember that our dependence must be on God. In new ways, we feel the reality of Jesus' words "... apart from me you can do nothing." (John 15:5 ESV) We as members of Logan Street Baptist Church (LSBC), and as individuals, can do nothing apart from God's work. For that reason, we want our church family to come together for 21 days of Prayer and Fasting. Our hope is for this experience to anchor us to our purpose of Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples for Jesus Christ.

Here are a few examples of what prayer and fasting can look like over the next 21 days.

Prayer

Praying is spiritual breathing, essential for our life in God. As we meditate on God's Word, we breathe in the promises and purposes of God. In prayer, we breathe out, responding to God's Word to us. Each day in this guide, there will be one verse and a few prayer responses for you to guide your praying. Throughout the 21 days, you will be praying for specific areas in your life, our church, and our mission. Together, let's put our faith into action, trusting in the promises of God for us and our church. Below are some helpful tips on how to make the most of this guide.

- + **Commit to a specific time each day to devote to prayer.** Find a place where you can be free of distractions and be alone with God.
- + **Use the prayer points and Scripture** in this guide to focus and fuel your praying. **Write** the Scripture and prayer point on a card and carry it with you, post it on your social media, make it the **screensaver on your phone**—whatever you can think of to keep these prompts in front of you. Use them throughout the day and invite others to join you in praying.
- + You can take it a step further by **journaling** your prayers each day, simply writing out your prayers to God. It's a great opportunity to hide God's Word in your heart, working to memorize the verses as you meditate and pray.
- + In addition, you may consider ways to **pray with others** during this season. The church sanctuary will be open on Thursday afternoons for you to come and pray. Set up a Zoom call with friends or members of your small group. Pray together as a family.

Fasting

Why do we fast? Simply put, the goal of fasting is to turn ourselves from worldly things and set our minds and hearts fully on God. It is not a way to manipulate God or coerce Him to hear and answer our prayers, but rather it acknowledges our complete dependence on Him. Fasting awakens us to the reality that we are so often driven by our fleshly desires and appetites. It humbles us and awakens us to our great need for and reliance on God. As you consider fasting, we want to encourage you to listen to the Holy Spirit. Ask God to lead you in this time of seeking His face. Whether you choose to fast for one day, several days, or the entire 21 days, the point is to humble yourself in a new way and draw near to God. Here are some ideas of what you could choose.

- + **You might choose a selective fast, eliminating certain things from your diet.** Eating only fruits and vegetables, what some might call a “Daniel fast,” is an example of this type of fasting.
- + **Another option is a partial fast, which is refraining from eating for a set period of time each day.** You could choose to fast from a single meal or from sunup to sundown.
- + **Some of you may feel led to engage in a complete fast,** refraining from eating and only drinking liquids for particular days or even an extended period of time.
- + **If fasting from food is not possible, you may feel led by the Lord to fast from something else, such as social media, television, or certain times or activities on your cell phone.**
- + If you would like more information and help on fasting, read these articles from cru.org: [Seven Basic Steps to Successful Fasting and Prayer](#) and [Six Ingredients That Will Help You Fast From Technology](#)

Church family, let's earnestly seek the face of God with great expectation as we wait for His revelation and instruction through these 21 days of prayer and fasting.

“Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.”
- Jeremiah 33:3 (NIV)

Day 1

“Then Moses said, ‘Now show me your glory.’ And the LORD said, ‘I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.’”
- Exodus 33:18–19

Pray that God would reveal Himself and His glory as we seek Him over the next 21 days. Ask Him to speak to you as you read His Word. Pray for understanding and faith as you consider the character of your God. Pray that the people of God at LSBC would be drawn to worship and adore Him. Ask God to show you how you can encourage those around you to seek after Him with all their hearts.

Day 2

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” - Acts 1:8

Pray for the presence and the power of the Holy Spirit to be known among us, because without Him, our efforts are useless. Pray for courage and boldness to serve as witnesses to the power of the gospel. Pray for our Spiritual Renewal Week on April 26-29. Ask God to lay on your heart “your one” – that person that is close to you and far from God. Pray for opportunities to have gospel conversations with them and the boldness to invite them on April 26. Pray for God to start working on the heart of “your one” right now. Pray for Tim Ramsey and Daniel Ritchie who will be leading our Spiritual Renewal Week.

Day 3

“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.” - John 15:5

Pray for effectiveness in making disciples. Ask God to cause us to be fruitful. Pray for a renewed commitment to being disciple-making disciples. Ask God to lead you in investing in the lives of others. Pray especially for the many ministries of our church. Ask God to lead our ministry leaders through the power of His Holy Spirit that they would truly abide in Christ as they lead in their specific areas.

Day 4

“But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.”

- Ephesians 2:4–5

Pray that we would remember God's great love poured out for us on the cross. Ask God to continually cause us to be amazed by His grace. Rejoice today that you have been saved by God's grace and not by your own efforts. Pray for those around you who have yet to respond to the grace of God. Ask God to stir their hearts and draw them to Himself. Pray that we would see a record number come to faith and be baptized in 2026.

Day 5

“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, and his incomparably great power for us who believe.” - Ephesians 1:18–19

Pray that we would be people who are filled with hope because of the gospel. Ask God to help you see beyond the moment to all that He has in store for you. Pray that He would work in power in your own life, freeing you to live for His glory. Ask God to make you ready to share the reason for your hope with neighbors and friends. Pray specifically that people in your circle will come to faith in Jesus this year.

Day 6

“Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain.” - Psalm 127:1

Pray that we would continue to rely on God to help us finish our new building. Pray that He would help us to complete the new building by providing safety to all who work on the building, for wisdom for the committees involved in completing the building, and for provision that all financial needs and materials would be provided and made available. Pray also that the building will be used as a tool to reach the lost and to disciple believers.

Day 7

“Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.” – Psalm 139:23-24 NLT

Ask God to search your heart and point out anything that is offensive to Him. Take the time to confess it as sin and repent from it. Seek accountability if necessary. Revival is always preceded by repentance. If we want to see God do great things collectively as a church, it has to start with us getting our hearts right as individuals.

Day 8

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.” – Proverbs 3:5-6

Pray that we would be people who trust in the Lord above all else. Pray that we not be tempted to find our joy in the things of the world like riches, popularity, comfort, and pleasures. Pray we seek God and His face more than any other thing. Ask God to stir us to pursue Him and His ways in prayer and through His Word. Pray that He would teach us to seek the prosperity and blessing that comes from seeking and knowing Him. Ask God to grow you in prayer this year, and pray that more people at LSBC would commit themselves to seek God in prayer.

Day 9

“Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! - Psalm 100:1-4

Pray that we would have hearts full of worship. Ask God to help us glorify Him in a way that is pleasing to Him. Pray that your heart would delight in Him more than anything else. Pray that God would bless and use our worship ministries to lead us in joyful worship of our great God. Pray that, at LSBC, we would be passionate worshipers of God, demonstrating our delight in Him through our attention, praise, obedience, and service.

Day 10

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better." - Ephesians 1:17

Pray that we would be a people who grow in the knowledge and worship of God. Ask that we would walk in the fullness of the knowledge of God. Pray that God would lead you, by His Spirit, to know Him better. Pray also that He would work through the discipleship ministries of LSBC to grow men and women, boys and girls in their love and knowledge of God. Ask God for increased engagement in the ministries of LSBC.

Day 11

"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." - Romans 12:9–10

Pray that we would be devoted to one another. Ask God to show us how to serve each other and honor one another. Pray that God would show you where and how and to whom you can demonstrate His reconciling love. Pray that our small groups and Bible studies would grow deeper in their commitment to care for each other and ask God to increase the number of small groups at LSBC.

Day 12

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."
- 1 Peter 2:9

Pray that we would faithfully declare the gospel to all men. Ask God to fill your heart with wonder as you remember how He rescued you. Praise Him today for rescuing you from darkness and bringing you into the light. Ask God today to give you an opportunity to share the good news with someone around you. And pray that he would give them faith to believe. Pray for "your one." Ask God to save your neighbors, co-workers, and family members who are far from God.

Day 13

“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.” - Philippians 2:3–4

Ask God to give us humble hearts, seeking the welfare of others above our own welfare. Ask God to uncover any selfish ambition or vain conceit in you. Pray for alertness to the opportunities you have to actively look to the interests of others. Pray that we would be a church that faithfully engages our community and seeks the welfare of our city. Ask God to cultivate this kind of selfless love in the families of LSBC.

Day 14

“For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.” - Romans 12:3–5

Pray that we would see ourselves as belonging to one another. Ask God to show you what your role and function is in the body of Christ. Ask God to help each of us at LSBC to guard our hearts against pride and self-serving motives. Pray for the unity of our church and against the spirit of division and bitterness. Pray that we would be a healthy body, each member humbly doing their part. Pray that each ministry of our church would have an abundance of volunteers.

Day 15

“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of Him who is the head, that is, Christ. From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.” - Ephesians 4:15–16

Pray that we would actively build each other up in love. Ask God to show you how you can encourage and spur others on to love and good works. Pray that we would grow to become the mature body of Christ at LSBC. Ask for God to use our Children’s and Student ministries to make disciples and to equip parents and raise up a generation of fully devoted followers of Jesus.

Day 16

“Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.” - 1 Peter 4:9–11

Pray that God would lead us to be faithful stewards of all that He has entrusted to us. Ask God to show you how to use the grace and gifts He has given you to advance His kingdom and bring praise to Jesus. Pray for strength and joy to serve and love others. Pray that missionaries and church planters around the world would not grow weary in well-doing, but would faithfully serve the body of Christ and their communities.

Day 17

“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 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. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.” - 2 Corinthians 9:6–8

Pray that we would give and sow generously. Ask God to give you a heart of joy in giving. Pray that He would increase your supply so that you can be more generous. Pray that as a church we would “abound in every good work” (2 Corinthians 9:8). Pray that we would steward our time, talents, and treasure well. Pray for our mission efforts in our community and the ones we support around the world.

Day 18

“Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” – 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Pray for a heart of gratitude. Thank God for the salvation you have through the death and resurrection of Christ. Thank Him for His grace and mercy. Thank God for all the provisions He has given you. Meditate on the fact that all good things in your life are from Him and not your own efforts. (James 1:17) Thank God for the many ways He has blessed LSBC over the years.

Day 19

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.” - Colossians 4:2–6

Pray that we would be people who are alert and sensitive to the Spirit, making the most of every opportunity that we have. Ask God to open doors for the spread of the gospel. Pray that you would be faithful to share boldly the message of Christ. Continue to pray for “your one.” Pray for our Spiritual Renewal Week. Pray that the light of Christ’s love will shine in the dark and hopeless places in our city. Pray for revival in our homes, schools, businesses, and our community as a whole. Pray for Tim Ramsey and Daniel Ritchie as they prepare to lead us during our Spiritual Renewal week. Pray that all who hear their message will have hearts that are sensitive to the Spirit’s leading in their life.

Day 20

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him and who have been called according to His purpose.” - Romans 8:28

Pray that as we step out in faith with our new building that it will be used to help us fulfill our mission of Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples of Jesus Christ. Pray also that we would remember that our new building is being constructed so that it can be used to serve God, minister to those in need, and to reach people who need a saving relationship with Jesus. Pray that as ministries are developed to help us fulfill our mission, that LSBC members would step up and serve.

Day 21

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.” – Romans 15:13

Pray that we will be people who reflect the joy and hope of Christ to those around us. Pray that we are people who are led by the power of the Holy Spirit. Pray that the message of the gospel would spread rapidly through our city, our nation, and around the world. Ask God to open the hearts and minds of those who hear it. Pray for the heart of “your one.” Pray specifically for those who are close to you but far from God. Ask God to be merciful and bring them to saving faith in Jesus. Pray that we would see many come to faith in Jesus and be baptized this year.

How Do We Respond Now?

This isn't the end; it's just the beginning. Samuel Chadwick said, "The greatest answer to prayer is more prayer." We have seen God move and answer our prayers. But that has only served to increase our awareness of our need for His intervention in our lives. It has created a greater longing to see Him move. He has delighted us and satisfied us with His great love. But that has simply stirred a greater desire and yearning to be with Him. Praying has called us to pray even more.

Jesus made an astounding promise to us: "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that *whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you*" (John 15:16). God chose us to bear fruit and bring Him glory. He promised to hear and answer when we pray. What would it look like for you to continue to call out to God for His people and His purposes in the world? What might God do if we just prayed?

We want to encourage you to continue some of the disciplines you've developed over the last few weeks. **Maintain** a set time to pray each day. Commit to fasting as you continue to seek God. Use a **Bible reading plan** to lead your praying. Keep a prayer **journal**, writing out your prayers. Go through this 21-day fasting and prayer guide and work through it again. **There's too much at stake for us to stop now. Let's pray.**

"... if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." - 2 Chronicles 7:14

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