



**Prayer
Time**

10 Day Devotional



'Announce a time of fasting;
call the people together for a solemn meeting.
Bring the leaders
and all the people of the land
into the Temple of the Lord your God,
and cry out to him there.'

Joel 1:14 NLT



Prayer is the foundation of our faith and everything that we do, both now and in the future, needs to be underpinned by this key principle. Therefore, the church leadership love to call times when we can be together in prayer, this being called our 'Prayer Time'.

'Prayer Time' is based upon the scripture from Joel 1:14 calling for a time set for a church community to come together to pray.

Prayer should be our first response in every situation. Understanding the necessity of prayer is not enough; whether things are good or bad, we try to pray before we do anything. In order for it to become a part of our life and church, prayer should be something we look forward to doing. We want you to discover the beauty of conversation with Him and experience the presence of God that will change your life. Moreover, we look forward to praying together, as when we have that connection we can truly be family.



Before any day begins, before you go to bed. Before you go to work or school, be at home or out in your neighbourhood. Before you send that text, Whats App, Tweet or post any image. Before you eat, drive or travel. When bad things happen, before bad things happen.

After the day is over, after we have received that news, after we are made aware of someone else's life event. In every situation it's PRAYER TIME!

You can pray on the move or in stillness, at home in a favourite place or at the same time every day. You can pray morning, noon or night - whatever works, it is your prayer time. The most important thing is that we set a period and try and keep to it!

Look out for specific prayer opportunities across all our locations. Furthermore, set aside times yourself, come together as a group, or join with a friend and let us devote ourselves to prayer. For all our service information visit renewalcc.com/services.




To go alongside your season of 'Prayer Time', we have created guides to help you get the most out of the time you can dedicate to God. For more information and specific guides on how to pray, how to fast and other creative ideas visit renewalcc.com/prayer.

We would love to hear about how God has spoken to you through your prayer time.

Post your prayers, comments, encouragements or requests on social media [@renewalcc](https://twitter.com/renewalcc). You can also email us at prayer@renewalcc.com.

For more information on becoming a Christian visit renewalcc.com/nextsteps.



Day 1

Our Father

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.”

Matthew 6:9 NIV

With a God like this, who loves you and is so personal, we have much encouragement to pray to Him. The Lord’s Prayer can be recited in less than a minute but to spend time with and getting to know ‘Our Father’ allows us to have a much deeper interaction and relate on a much deeper basis. This is not just God we are talking and listening to, but the one who says He is our Father! What a privilege!

Spend a few minutes thinking about God as your Father. Use Ephesians 1:1-14 to help you.

God is already holy, so our prayer is not that God be made holy, but that we regard Him as holy.

- **Pray for God’s holiness to be displayed in your life and the world around us.**

Day 2


Your Kingdom Come

“Your kingdom come, Your will be done.
On earth as it is in heaven.”

Matthew 6:10 NKJV

How is it in heaven? What does the kingdom actually look like? Not that it means bringing it in to existence, it is already here; but that as we pray it will come more and more prevailing until the final day of completion, see Revelation 21:1-5, and so God's will naturally follows. This doesn't resign us to fate but to purpose; and that God's purpose will be accomplished. The most exciting thing is that God chooses to accomplish much of His will through us!

- **Pray that God will bring heaven to earth.**
- **That His kingdom will be seen.**
- **That His will be done.**



Day 3 Needs

“Give us today our daily bread”

Matthew 6:11 NIV

There are good habits we need to shape and one of those is connecting with God everyday. We need Him; and just as important is to know that He knows all that we need! It was amazing that God could provide for the Israelites every single day of the wilderness wanderings for forty years, see Exodus 16. God’s provision into our lives is a sign that He is the true God. We, like the Israelites, can gather enough to see us through each and every day.

- **Thank God that He is your sustainer and provider.**
- **Ask God that you may be able to trust Him for what you need right now.**

Day 4

Relationships

“And forgive us our sins as we have forgiven those who have sinned against us.”

Matthew 6:12 NLT

The basic attitude as a Christian stems from the fact that God has done so much for us. Psalm 103 opens us up to some of those possibilities. As a result of being forgiven by Christ we can, along with being kind, compassionate, honouring, caring, encouraging, supporting; forgive others too. See Ephesians 4:32. It is such a huge way of imitating God (who we all want to be more like) and demonstrating our own gratitude for God's forgiveness. Jesus' life and sacrifice is both our salvation and our example of how we are to treat those around us in our relationships.

- **Pray for your relationships and where you need to administer forgiveness.**
- **Pray to be more like Jesus and follow His example.**

Day 5

Protection

“And do not lead us into temptation but deliver us from the evil one.”

Matthew 6:13 NKJV

We have more power than we realise, and although we will inevitably have trying times that put our faith and behaviours under much test, with God’s help we can come through. All of us struggle at one time or another. Sometimes it is subtle and we do not see it coming, other times it is a full on attack! Asking for God’s help to recognise temptation, and to have the power to overcome it by choosing God’s way instead is important, see 1 Corinthians 10:13.

Using God’s Word is a weapon against temptation. Write down a Bible verse that God brings to mind that you can focus attention on and apply to your life.

- **Pray for the insight to recognise temptations.**
- **Pray for the strength to overcome and defeat the work of the enemy in your life.**



Day 6


New Wine

“No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; for the patch pulls away from the garment, and the tear is made worse. Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”

Matthew 9:16-18 NKJV

Get ready for all that God wants to pour out in your life. The Kingdom is not about more, but uncapping all the new that God has planned through the Holy Spirit. When God, through His Spirit, is moving in your life nothing can or should remain the same. We should always seek to question and see past any tradition or culture to find the fresh vibrant approaches that the Holy Spirit wants to spring up.

- **Pray for new approaches in your life.**
- **Pray for the church to get ready for all that God, through the Spirit, wants to pour out.**



Day 7

Waiting

“And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven.”

Luke 24:49 NLT

Waiting is hard; at traffic lights, restaurants, for a message, for a special occasion. God wants us to learn how to wait. Waiting helps our trust, it builds our faith and strengthens us. It takes a lot of courage to wait as it is easy to give in to frustration or disappointment. Be expectant and hopeful that something is going to take place; waiting is a time to work with God. If you are patient, He can prepare you for what is ahead.

- **Pray for all that God is teaching you in waiting.**
- **Ask the Lord for any unanswered prayers.**
- **Ask the Holy Spirit to come.**

Day 8

Power

“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 NIV

The Greek word for ‘power’ is ‘dunamis’ and can mean ‘dynamite’, which is an explosive force, or ‘dynamo’, which is a constant flow of power. In Christ, you have both. God throughout the Bible has displayed great acts of power none more so than in the days of Moses, see Exodus chapters 4, 7 and 14.

- **Thank the Holy Spirit for His gifts, guiding and acts of power.**
- **Pray for the power of God in your life.**
- **Pray for the power of God to be present in the church.**

Day 9

Witness

“Aren’t these all Galileans? How come we’re hearing them talk in our various mother tongues?”

“They’re speaking our languages, describing God’s mighty works!”

Acts 2:11 MSG

The wonderful things that God has done are worth talking about and they are not limited to an elite group of people. God broke any monopoly on the day of Pentecost to say the wonderful mighty acts He has done are available for all! See the whole of Acts 2 for the full picture.

- **Pray for God to perform wonderful acts.**
- **Pray that people will have such strong experiences of God that they cannot help telling their friends and family of all the good things that God has done.**

Day 10

In The Last Days

“In the last days,’ God says, ‘I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servants—men and women alike— and they will prophesy. And I will cause wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below—blood and fire and clouds of smoke.

The sun will become dark, and the moon will turn blood red before that great and glorious day of the Lord arrives. But everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’”

Acts 2:17-21 NLT

- **Pray for a revival throughout the land with people from all demographics and walks of life turning to God, calling on His name and being saved.**

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