

## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

1/30/2022

Sunday

### SCRIPTURE:

*Jesus went to all the towns and villages. He taught in the synagogues and spread the Good News of the kingdom. He also cured every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he felt sorry for them. They were troubled and helpless like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is large, but the workers are few. So ask the Lord who gives this harvest to send workers to harvest his crops."*

### REFLECTION:

Jesus taught, preached, healed the sick, and fed the hungry. I once heard the testimony of a group of missionary pilots that flew over the Dominican Republic and Haiti, dropping tracts. A man working on a farm picked up and read one of those tracts. To make the story short, he got saved, which led to a church movement that counts over 35,000 members and churches, schools, orphanages, health clinics, and other services to the community. They have also sent missionaries all over the world. A missionary pilot flew, leading to a chain of events that has yielded thousands of souls saved. Today is a good day to pray and support the missionaries that are using their gifts, talents, and vocations to build the Kingdom of God, preaching, teaching, and through acts of compassionate service.

### PRAYER FOCUS:

Ask God to continue to inspire men and women to use their talents, abilities, and vocations to advance the message of the Good News of Salvation.

### HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

*Maybe you cannot go, but you can help a missionary go!*



## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

1/31/2022

Monday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>He said to them, Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to all creation— Mark 16:15.</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	Jesus said, “go.” He issued a command. That has been the marching orders of His church. “Go into all the world.” Since then, millions of His followers have been going and preaching. The growth of Christianity is the outcome of somebody who obeyed that command. If we were to do a “spiritual genealogy” trace of the person that led us to Christ, probably it can be traced back to the original disciples that followed that command. I remembered meeting a minister from India that shared that His family can trace their new birth in Christ experience to the Apostle Thomas. The Lord is still saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?” (Isaiah 6:8).
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	Pray for men and women like Robbie & Sarah Hereth, Dofi & Gragwenda Maunda, and Masco & Jerrie Settles, who have answered God’s call to “go.”
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	How can you be part of their missionary effort?

## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

2/1/2022

Tuesday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	The early missionaries walked great distances; some traveled by horse, boat, and all possible means to spread the Gospel. Today radio, TV, the Internet, and a wide assortment of media resources have become the feet of missionaries traveling into the world's most remote areas. Praise God for all the inventions that have become instruments to share the good news of the Gospel. How beautiful are the ways by which we can advance the salvific message of the kingdom of God and His righteousness!
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	Pray for God's provision of resources to missionaries to advance the Gospel in our communities, our nation, and into the uttermost part of the world.
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	<i>"There is no limit to what God can do if we surrender current technology and resources to advance the Gospel.</i>

## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

2/2/2022

Wednesday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off—Acts 13:1, 2.</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	The Gentile Church in Antioch engaged in the first registered intentional commissioning of members from their flock to go into global missions. What a noble idea! Jewish immigrants fleeing persecution in Jerusalem have shared the redemptive message of salvation with them. Now, the transforming message of the Gospel compelled them to freely give from grace what they have received from grace so that other gentiles in their known world could come to the knowledge of Christ. While worshiping the Lord and fasting, they could “hear the voice of God.” I don’t think that when they started worshiping and fasting that day, they might have been thinking about sending out missionaries. This wasn’t a mission’s campaign service. But, the Spirit spoke; they listened to the voice of God and acted upon the Spirit’s lead.
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	Ask the Lord to compel us with an ever-increasing passion for missions.
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	<i>We must support global missions and be willing to go if the Lord calls us. However, the immigration trends of our day have brought the mission field to our doorsteps. If we love souls in the mission field afar, we shouldn’t have problems loving souls in the mission field within our neighborhoods.</i>

***Tonight, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, we will have a congregational prayer service at church. If you cannot attend in person, you can join via Zoom at the following link:***

***Zoom at the following link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82883408112?pwd=MmRNZVE2WTVsL2g1MzIUyzRyUW5lQT09>***

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## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

2/3/2022

Thursday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. —Matthew 24:9.</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	Jesus' prophetic word has been accurate throughout the ages. Christians and missionaries worldwide are persecuted, imprisoned, tortured, displaced, abused, and killed. Paradoxically, some of the perpetrators claim that they are serving God in doing so. A good friend and missionary suffered the pain of having his daughter raped by religious zealots who claimed to have protected their religion from being poisoned by Christians. Despite this terrible experience, he has remained faithful to God's calling in his life. Jesus said, "Rejoice and be glad because you have a great reward in heaven! The prophets who lived before you were persecuted in these ways" —Matthew 5:12.
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	Pray for God's covering, protection, strength, grace, and favor over missionaries worldwide and for the Holy Spirit to open the hearts of unbelievers.
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	What are you calling persecution in your life?

## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

2/4/2022

Friday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him— John 3:16, 17.</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	Most Christians can quote John 3:16 without fault. However, not many have memorized the following verse, “God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.” This is a key verse because it reflects the character Jesus expects His followers to observe when witnessing to unbelievers. He did not get in their face condemning them for their sinful ways. Take, for example, His conversation with the woman at the well in John 4. Jesus' intention was not to humiliate sinners but to show the way of salvation through His love, mercy, and grace.
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	Lord, help me witness to sinners with the same attitude Jesus had.
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	<i>In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus— Philippians 2:5.</i>



## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

2/5/2022

Saturday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>The Lord spoke to Moses in the tent of meeting in the Desert of Sinai on the first day of the second month of the second year after the Israelites came out of Egypt. He said: "Take a census of the whole Israelite community by their clans and families, listing every man by name, one by one—Numbers 1:1, 2.</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	Have you ever stayed at the end of a movie and read all the credits? All the people that played a part in making that movie possible? We focus on the main characters and the storyline, yet, the film couldn't be possible without the vast supporting cast in front and behind the cameras. Some Christians say they don't like the book of Numbers because of the long genealogical lists. However, genealogies are essential because they share the names of people whom the redemptive story of God's love for humanity would have been truncated without their existence. Each of us has a purpose in God's story, and we will be glad to hear our name read in the credits of the Book of Life.
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	Father God, help fulfill the purpose you have for me.
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	Mission work takes more than preachers. We can play many different roles in advancing God's mission for the church. Listen to the voice of God to discern the part He wants for you to play.

## 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

2/6/2022

Sunday

<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<i>But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come—John 16:13.</i>
<b>REFLECTION:</b>	As we come to the end of this campaign, we want to ask God to accept these 21 Days of Prayer and Fast as an offering of self-denial to the physical pleasure and benefit of the meals we have abstained from. However, we need to continue getting closer to God in prayer, fasting, worship, and studying His Word. Proverbs 13:20 reads, “Whoever walks with wise people will be wise, but whoever associates with fools will suffer.” In other words, a person will reflect the character of those whose company he/she keeps. As we get closer to God, the more we will be able to recognize His voice and do what His good and pleasant will is (cf. John 10:3, 4; Romans 12:2).
<b>PRAYER FOCUS:</b>	“Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip [us] with everything good that [we] may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen”—Hebrews 13:20, 21.
<b>HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b>	<i>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you—James 4:8.</i>