## DAY 21: GLOBAL FOCUS

#### Dear Jesus,

You tell us in your word to go into all the world and preach the gospel. We can't do that as individuals and even as a church. That's why we thank you for our Global Focus partners and the areas of people they each reach. We ask you to bless and give strength and wisdom to each of them...Paul and Kari Jenkins...keep them safe as they share your word...Mark and Bev Do-nahue to strengthen and give them your vision for Paraguay...Steve and Debbie Cartwright for help on the American Indian field in the struggles of drugs among the people. Help those people to open their hearts...Filipe and Lidi Manoels as Filipe studies...the Wenigs as they work with the students in Wisconsin. Help guide those with the COMO Recovery to sense the needs that can't be seen, as well as the obvious ones. May you provide more housing and workers. Then, we have the Jeremiah Tree and Bridges of Hope in Xenia. We have been blessed to worship with several from there on Sunday mornings. We thank you for that!! We ask that you supply their needs... financial and staff needs.

We ask for your protection and blessing over our Global Focus partners. We thank you!!!! Amen

### **EVERY DAY PRAYER FOCUS**

- Humble ourselves. Asking for forgiveness for our sins and the sins of our land.
- Seeking God. Declaring our dependence on God in every area of our lives.
- His Kingdom Come. Praying for the completion of the Great Commission and for revival in our generation.
- Hear from Heaven. Inviting the Presence of God in our church and our lives (souls saved, signs, wonders, miracles, and transformed lives.)
- Next Steps. Praying for all people in their journey of faith to Know God, Find Freedom, Discover Purpose, and Make a Difference
- Believing God for answered prayer to our specific needs



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### PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR THE EASTER SEASON

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### DAY 18: CHRISTIANS TO BE DISCIPLED

#### Hey,

I know it feels like Christmas was just yesterday, but we're already starting to talk about Easter at Xenia Grace Chapel. While we try to make every day a celebration of Jesus' resurrection, Easter is special because many people will show up who don't have a relationship with Him.

That's why we need your help. We need you to pray for the people God will be sending to us this Easter. We don't want to get so caught up in planning a great experience that we neglect to pray for God's blessing. Here are some specific areas where we'd love for you to join us in prayer:

- 1. Pastor Dan as he/she prepares the message, sets the theme, and leads our staff.
- 2. Pastor Isaac as he works with volunteers to minister to our kids this Easter.
- **3.** For our many volunteers who will be serving during Easter and the weeks beyond.
- **4.** For people who are far from God who will be walking through our doors this Easter. We pray especially that God will soften their hearts toward our message and that they will hear the gospel clearly and accept it.
- 5. For wisdom and strength to deal with difficulties as they arise.
- 6. The church office as they organizes our promotion efforts & rallies volunteers.
- **7.** For JOY to fill all of our hearts as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior, Jesus!
- 8. For God to open the hearts of many and for them to come to know him!

Thank you so much for praying for us! We're looking forward to seeing how God answers these prayers in the coming weeks.

God Bless,

Jerry Sparks

Jesus, help me to understand that you call me to become a follower of you in every area of my life. May your Holy Spirit become so loud in my life that I will hear it and have the courage to follow that voice. May people see Jesus in me!

Amen

### DAY 19: THE BIBLE

"Heavenly Father, Thank you for the Scriptures you entrusted us with. Through your Word, we find guidance, truth, and encouragement. How we have found it to be true over and over that "your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." Psalms 119:105

May your words become our words and your teachings become our lifestyle.

Amen"

## DAY 20: HEALING

"Thank You for the gift of healing that you provide for our minds and bodies. Thank you for the instruction and the promise of healing. "Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well." James 5:14,15.

Amen



Dear Lord,

Our daycare has had many ups and downs over the past year. We just ask that each person involved from the director to the teachers to the bus drivers to the janitor feel your presence every day. Lead them in the direction you would have them go. Give them patience when that child is getting on their last nerve. Give them wisdom when they need to talk to a parent or explain a difficult situation. Bless them as they work long hours with our little ones who are so open to Your Word. Help the daycare to feel a sense of family with each other. Help them to know we as a church appreciate what they are doing. As they go forward, walk beside them and direct them. We ask these things in Your name.

Amen

~Marla Sparks

## DAY 16: LOVE TO INCREASE

Heavenly Father, you instruct us to "Love" throughout your Word. Love you, Lord, love one another, and love ourselves. It isn't always easy for us as humans to love. Please give us the ability to use the fruit of the Spirit to increase our love for each other and the world.

Amen

# DAY 17: STRENGTH TO FORGIVE

"Jesus, thank you for giving us an example of what it means "to forgive those who have trespassed against us." Help me to be willing to let you take care of this offense and for me not to get even with this person. I need you to help me so I can be free of this spirit of bitterness in my heart,"

Amen

## DAY 2: GRACE PLACE

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the unmerited favor you provide and offer for us each and everyday. Your mercy and grace is always sufficient for us. Lord, we recognize the blessing and grace you have extended to us with Grace Place. We feel you have led our an Acts 1:8 church, to be your witnesses in our community (our Jerusalem), in our region (our Judea and Samaria) and in our world (ends of the earth). Grace Place gives us a chance to bless missionary and outreach partners with a home during times of transition and supportraising in many mission fields. We pray that we will be good stewards of this gift and responsibility you have given to our church. We also pray for your provision of finances to allow us to pay the remaining debt we owe on this property.

Thank you Lord for this opportunity to serve you and help grow your kingdom through Grace Place. In the wonderful name of Jesus, Amen.

~ Russ Turner

### DAY 3: THE LOST

Lord Jesus Christ Son of the Living God have mercy. King Jesus we humble ourselves before you and exalt your holy and righteous name! You are our King and we will worship you! O Lord please forgive us for the times we have overlooked the lost. For you yourself said you came to seek and save the lost and yet we can be so quick to overlook them. Lord please give us eyes to see them, hearts to love them, hands to help them, knees to pray for them and finances to bless them with for your glory. We ask you Lord that you would start to stir the hearts and minds of the lost. That they would have a deep need for you. A desire that springs up in their hearts that only you can meet and then put them in our paths that we may share your gospel. I pray that you would meet the lost right where they are at; right in their valley or mountaintop, in the midst of their heartache or happiness. That whatever season they are walking in, though or into would be met with your Presence and peace. Holy Spirit anoint your people to proclaim and live the gospel each day that we may shine your light to the Father's glory! Papa have mercy and move mightily in the world and in the church. We ask all these things in the mighty and perfect name of Jesus Christ, amen!

~Stephen Taylor

### DAY 4: THE LOST

#### Heavenly Father,

I thank you for the family you have given me. I love each one dearly and I ask that you protect each one from evil. Lord, I know that as much as I love my family, you love them even more and you know what is best for each one. I pray that today you bring people into their lives that love you and will plant a seed for them to grow into an intimate, personal relationship with you. Jesus, I ask for your blessing on my family and that your purpose for their lives will be established. I ask this in the wonderful name of Jesus, my savior. Amen

~Janet Glass

### DAY 5: OUR PASTOR & FAMILY

#### Heavenly Father,

It is with so much joy and thankfulness that I come to you with this prayer on my heart for Dan and Pam. You gifted our church and our lives with Dan and Pam to be our earthly shepherds and I am grateful for all they have done for us because of You.

Father, please surround them with Angels to fight all their battles in the Heavenly realms before they feel them in the Earthly. Give them divine interpretation to recognize gifts that come from You and tricks that are not of You. Bless them each and every day with great joy and peace that surpasses all understanding as they give their hearts and minds to You. We know that all things work a perfect pattern for good as You will it for Your Kingdom. Give Dan and Pam energy from Heaven to do Your will and all that You have planned. God bless Dan and Pam like a Spring shower that grows beautiful gardens. May all they do fill their hearts with Your Spirit, overflowing. Father, I ask that no memories from the past will cause them personal pain any longer, that the past will only be the cause of someone else to have hope for the future; as You have healed, there will be healing.

Lord, Thank you for Dan and Pam. Guide their every step with clear hearts and minds. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

DAY 13: HOPE TO IGNITE HEARTS

#### Amen

#### ~ AJ Johnson

Heavenly Father, I come to you now for hope to ignite in our hearts across our local community, state, and nation as we have the hope for your will to be done in our hearts and on this earth to see the lost come to Jesus. I pray that you touch someone that is hopeless and show they can have hope with you in their life if they accept you in their heart. I pray Lord that you send a revival to your church and people will see the hope as ones surrender their hearts to Jesus. I pray that we as the church can share your love and gift of everlasting life that whosoever believes that Jesus died and rose again shall be saved and will live with him forevermore. Thank you, Lord God for giving us all the hope of your Kingdom and the knowledge of salvation through your word. In Jesus name, amen.

~Keith Sparks

### DAY 14: FOR REVIVAL

Lord,

Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? Psalms 85:6

Pour out Your Spirit we pray, on us today. We pray for a reawakening of the desperate need for each believer to stand transparent before you, our God. We give the Holy Spirit permission to search out the inner thoughts of our hearts, to see if there is anything that displeases You.

Revive the hearts and spirits of those who are in positions of leadership. May each one seek Your face and give them a renewed urgency to humble themselves before You, so that they can encourage others to keep their eyes on Jesus.

Revive us again; Fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be rekindled With fire from above.

In Jesus' name we pray.

~Marsha Chambers

~Christine Gill

### DAY 11: FOR THE SPIRIT TO MOVE

Too often in prayer I talk too much and my prayers don't leave room for breath and reflection. Holy Spirit I just come to You right now in silence but with a heart filled with worship and praise as I ask You to continue to move across this country, across this nation, and across this world as You have been doing lately. You've taken the testimony of a "football hero" who was snatched from the clutches of death during a game and put him before a microphone and moved him to share words like "to God be the glory and thanks for my life". We need You, Spirit, to move in ways and opportunities that we, as believers, are too often silenced. Father please find us faithful but when our words are not enough, Holy Spirit do the speaking.

### DAY 12: OUR YOUTH

~ Judy Knoblock

#### Heavenly Father,

I come to you this morning to lift up our youth. Father you created these incredible young men and women with a specific purpose for Your kingdom. Father I ask for you to bring each one to you for guidance, protection and for them to be a light for you in their homes, school and community. Father I pray for protection from all of the challenges that are thrown at them and for you to guide them in their decision making.

Father if any of our teens do not know you as their Lord and Savior I ask for you to surround them with the right people and to draw them to you. Father I ask for your knowledge for Stephen and Bethany and all of the volunteers you use in their life here at church. Father guide them with words, encouragement, prayer, scripture and a open and loving heart so they they may follow your lead in their interaction with the youth.

Father you know every need and I ask you to please walk beside them in every step they take. Father I pray for the opportunity for another mission trip this summer and that you would open up the doors for them to go. Father these teens need you in their lives. I ask for your guidance so we can be the best we can be and to surround us so we can love and teach like you. Father thank you for the opportunity to bless these teens and for hearing our prayer. Father thank you for Jesus and I ask this prayer in His precious name.

### DAY 6: OUR COUNTRY

Lord, America today seems to have lost its way. Dim is the vision of America that you birthed in those pilgrims so long ago. They sought you out seeking freedom of worship. Acknowledging that the only rights they had were those that you have provided. Their lives were hard but even with the hardship and uncertainty; they never forgot where their strength and provision came from.

Through the years, you continued to be the compass for this great Nation, but somehow we have drifted off course. It seems so many have cut their ties with you and are indifferent to your will. We have become a selfish people worried only how life affects us--it's all about me. Father, forgive us for our selfish indifference. Help us to see that, without out you, none of the shiny objects we seek will fill the void in our lives.

Lord, help us to acknowledge we have sinned; and humble ourselves, pray, seek your face, and turn away from our wicked ways. In doing this you said you would forgive of our sins and heal our land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Lord a big part of your healing is desperately needed in our families. Today many our families are broken and seem to be rudderless and need help in letting you lead them in their role as parents. Help us as a church come alongside families for guidance and helps in how to be the family God wants them to be for the restoration of strong Godly families is that is the very foundation for our nation.

And, finally Lord, help me to exhort my leaders as 1 Timothy 2:1 says with supplications, prayers, intercessions, and give of thanks for all in authority. From Government leaders, pastors, and teachers help us to lift each person in our prayers.

Lord, help us to let us to be your light in this dark world and May you continue to shower your Blessings on America!

Amen

~Gay Woodhouse

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## DAY 7: OUR LEADERS

#### Dear Lord,

We pray for our elected leaders at home in Ohio and on the National level. We ask for you to give them clarity of mind to meet our people's needs and the problems they face daily. We pray for your guidance as they face these challenges. And that they will work together for the good of the people. May they set aside political differences to work for the people who elected them. Lord, guide your followers to uplift our leaders daily in our prayers. Help us, Lord, to listen for your voice as we pray for the leaders you have given us. We ask for your help in showing us how we need to pray for our political and church leaders to seek your guidance in the upcoming days. We pray for revival in both our church leadership and our political leadership. Guide us as we seek your face in our prayers for revival in our churches and our nation.

Let us keep our leaders uplifted before you in our prayers as we seek to do your bidding in our hearts and our lives as we walk beside you.

In the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior, Amen

~ Ed Chambers

### DAY 9: MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Our Holy and Wonderful Savior,

We believe you have called all of us to serve you by serving others. And as your disciples, we have been challenged by your word in Matthew 28:18 – 20 to Go and make disciples of others, baptize, and teach and grow others in the love of our Savior. Lord, we pray that you will bless and grow all of our ministries here at Xenia Grace Chapel. May each and every ministry be pleasing and honorable to you. May you anoint and strengthen our pastor with his sermons and messages, bless our worship team with more singers and musicians, grow our children and teen programs with more youth and more servants, and expand our small groups with more church family involvement and leaders.

May we be a church that welcomes people with a warm and receptive people ministry.

Lord, we ask you to lead us and show us how to be a witness and light for you in our community of Xenia. May we always respond as a church when you call us to serve you by serving others? In your precious and holy name, Amen.

~Darla Turner

### DAY 8: WISDOM

Praise God from whom all blessing flow!

Father God thank you for the blessing of your Word that twlls us your wisdom was created before all else. *Proverbs* 8:22-23

Lord, we ask that you give us your wisdom in all we do to reach our community for Jesus and to live as and make disciples according to your Word. In Jesus' name, Amen. ~

Mark Tacket

# DAY 10: OUR KIDS

Father, I thank you for the kids we have here at Xenia Grace. I just pray that you would draw them closer to yourself. Reveal yourself to the kids in ways that they can comprehend. I just pray that you would give them the desire to learn more about you and the desire to follow you. I pray that they would learn how important your Word is for their lives and learn how they can apply the Word to their lives. Father, I pray that you would teach the kids how to serve the body of Christ well, so that one day when they are members of churches, they will know how to serve in a way that is pleasing to you. I pray that the kids here at Xenia Grace would grow up and continue to follow you and tell others about who you are. I pray that you would keep them away from evil and just continue to draw them closer to you. In Jesus name, Amen

~lsaac McNett