

# 7 VERSES & 7 PRAYERS FOR OUR PASTORS

## **MONDAY: BLESSINGS AND GRATITUDE**

Numbers 6:24-26 *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

Dear Lord, Thank you for sending our pastors to shepherd our church. I'm grateful for the love you put in their hearts for You and Your people. I appreciate the unique set of gifts and talents that enrich each of our pastors' ministries and bless our church. Would You, in turn, bless our pastors today? Fill them up Lord and use them for Your glory today. Show me how I can support and encourage. Thanking you Lord for these good leaders, I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen

## **TUESDAY: COURAGE AND STRENGTH**

Joshua 1:9 *Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*

Dear Lord, My pastors are on the front line; an easy target for the enemy and his minions. My pastors are preaching the Word faithfully from the pulpit each week as community leaders and are completely dedicated servants to you. Dear Holy Spirit, empower the pastors to boldly proclaim the truth of Your Word. Help them to not grow weary in well-doing or to fall away but provide grace upon grace. I'm thanking You in advance for what You will do in and through our pastors this very day. In Jesus' name. Amen

## **WEDNESDAY: SEEKING GOD'S DIRECTION**

Proverbs 3:5-6 *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.*

Dear Father, Thank you for our pastors that seek you with their whole heart. Their singular desire, Lord, is to serve and please You. So, Father, show our pastors the way. Give them Your vision. Grant Your clarity. Make the complex simple. Give them the boldness to step out in faith to accomplish Your plans for our ministry and for our church. It's easy to be distracted by many voices, so Father let our pastors hear but one voice and let that voice be Yours. These things I pray with hope and expectation. In Jesus' name. Amen

## **THURSDAY: ENERGY RENEWAL**

Galatians 6:9 *And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.*

Dear Lord, Even though my pastors serve our church with what seems like boundless energy, no one is superhuman; I know they get really weary. The demands on the body and spirit are nearly unending. Would you let my pastors find respite and relaxation from the day? Would You clear their mind, give them a good sleep tonight, and refreshment for another day of kingdom service? Bless my pastors for their faithfulness and offer blessings with a new day to continue in faithful service to you. In Jesus' name. Amen

## **FRIDAY: FOCUS**

Matthew 6:33 *But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

Dear God, There will be hundreds of distractions in my pastors' lives today - fires to put out, unexpected twists and turns, and the noise and clutter of the world. I know that the deceiver will do anything he can to keep my pastors from study, prayer, and service. So I lift my pastors up to You, dear Lord, asking You to help keep the main thing the main thing. Give "blindness" so that my pastors are keenly focused on You and on Your purpose for their life and ministry. In Jesus' name. Amen

## **SATURDAY: WISDOM**

James 1:5-6 *If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.*

Dear Lord, I come to you today interceding for my pastors. I know there will be many important decisions that must be made, many words that must be chosen carefully, many needs that must be answered. The pastors are human and need Your wisdom and Your guidance. Only You know what today will bring. Meet them, oh Lord, and give them just what is needed, just when it is needed. I'm thanking you, in Jesus' name. Amen

## **SUNDAY: LOVE WILL SURROUND AND ENCOURAGE**

John 13:34-35 *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*

Dear Holy Spirit, Today I pray for the fruits of the spirit in my pastors' lives - that love, joy, peace, and patience will guide; that kindness and goodness will be companions; that faithfulness will be the motto, and that gentleness and self-control will be evident to all. Help the pastors to see each person today through Your eyes. And help each person to see You in our pastors. I love you, Lord, and I thank you for my pastors. In Jesus' name. Amen