

Cross Racial/Cross Cultural Appointment Task Force

Week 4 Celebrating A New Partnership

Prayer Individual

*Day 1: Prayer to prepare my heart (2 Chron. 7:14)

As your people, we humble ourselves before you, O God. We want to pray and seek your face. Help us to turn to you and turn away from our rebellion, wickedness, self-righteous ways, and blindness. Thank you for hearing our plea and coming to heal our community and land. Thank you for sending (Pastor's Name) to partner with us in this healing. Amen.

* Day 2: Prayer for discernment and wisdom (Exodus 34:10; John 15:5; 2 Cor. 9:11)

Everlasting God, you have done wondrous things in our congregation and our community. You have made us rich in every way so that we can be generous on every occasion to the glory of God. Give us discernment, Lord, to invest in good—missions, healing, ministries and outreach programs. We praise you that this partnership between (Pastor's Name) and (Congregation's Name) that will bear much fruit for your Kingdom! Amen.

*Day 3: Offer Support (Eph. 5:21-6:4; 1 Tim. 4:12)

God, raise up the children and youth of this congregation and community to be examples in speech, life, love, faith, and purity. Turn the hearts of fathers and mothers back to the children and bring whole family into salvation. Preserve and protect every home in our congregation and community and may all these homes support the home of your pastor, (Pastor's Name). Amen.

*Day 4: Prayer for unity in body of Christ (Matthew 18:19; Rev. 4)

We exalt you Lord. Thank you for the privilege of corporate worship in this country. As many worship you with different voices on the Sabbath, may our praise rise like a symphony. Bless your (Congregation's Name) so that you are truly seen and believed upon in this place. We look forward to (Pastor's Name) leading us to prayers and praise to you. Amen.

*Day 5: Prayer for Pastor (and Pastor's Family) (Matt. 10:1; Lk. 10:17; Phil 4:6-7)

Heavenly Father, we lift up the family members of those who serve our congregation, especially (Pastor's Name). By your authority and in Jesus' name, we come against fear in their lives. Give them your peace which passes all understanding and guard their hearts and minds. Bless them! Amen.

*Day 6: Prayer for Blessings on Congregation (Psalm 23:3; Acts 2:42-47, Phil 2:5, Rev. 19:7)

Jesus, we pray for (Congregation's Name) to be drawn to our first love. As your bride, may we be single-minded in our devotion to you. Let us reflect you in every way so that many will be drawn to worship. Add to the church daily those who are being saved and pour out your blessings upon (Pastor's Name) that he/she might lead us in these your paths. Amen.

*Day 7: Praise and thanksgiving to God (Is. 46:8-11)

Lord, you are God alone. There is no other and there is none like you. Your purpose will stand in the earth. Do all that you please in our congregation and community, for we believe you have summoned us to fulfill your purpose. Just as you have summoned (Pastor's Name) to lead us. All that you have said and planned for us will come to pass. Amen.

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