

Prayer Guide

Rooted & Grounded in Love

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."
Deuteronomy 6:5

Suffering for a Purpose

2 Corinthians 1:3-10 expresses God as the source of our comfort, and that comfort serves a purpose.

- **The Purpose and the Character of God** (vs 3-4). God directly steps into human pain. He brings divine comfort so that believers can, in turn, comfort others.
- **The Correlation of Suffering and Comfort** (vs 5). Paul illustrates as sufferings for Christ abound, comfort overflows through him.
- **Opportunity in Community** (vs 6-7). Paul brings both trial and comfort to help the church by pressing into patient endurance, and connection of community through both suffering and comfort.

PRAYER WARRIORS:

We are reminded and encouraged of our Father's desire to take our cares, worries, and burdens. As the summer comes, pray that we draw closer to understand how our Father loves us, and how in-turn we can love him more.

Prayer Points

- **Pray we would experience his love**
 - "So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of the fullness of God." *Ephesians 3:14-19*
- **Pray that we would live a life full of joy and love for Christ**
 - "Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory," **1 Peter 1:8**
- **Pray that we would consider our prone to wander and to be diligent to hold to our First Love.**
 - "But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first." *Revelation 2:4*
- **Pray that we would respond to God's love with thanks and praise. That as Christ dwells more fully in our hearts that we would be transformed.**
 - "And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." *Col 3:15-17*

- **God as Trustworthy** (vs 8-9) God can raise from the dead, and all power is apart from our effort or self-reliance. He is trustworthy.
- **God as Deliverer** (vs 10)- God has delivered in the past, continues to deliver in the present, and can be trusted to deliver in the future

PRAY for:

Upcoming Events

Pray over these upcoming events in your weekly intercession time.

Backyard Bible Club | July 5th-July 10th

Pray for the hundreds of students who will be hosted in homes across our community. Pray that many would attend and come to know Jesus, as they bring his hope to the world by loving Jesus in our local neighborhoods through games and Bible study.

Pince Cove City | July 13th-July 17th

Pray for the campers to experience Jesus on our WoodsEdge campus through Bible study, worship, and time with their counselor and friends, as well as participate in tons of great camp activities. Pray for Pine Cove staff and for the families hosting them during their time in The Woodlands. Pray the Gospel would spread into the homes of campers to bring legacy change into families across the area.

Fifty6 Summer Camp | July 19th-July 22nd

Pray for our students to experience the Father's love for them. Pray for incredible encounters with our Lord, for wisdom for our small group leaders as they lead discussions, and for friendships to be formed where the kids are pointing each other towards Jesus.

Back2School Bash | August 1st

Hundreds of children and families from our surrounding community will be on campus to receive backpacks full of school supplies. There will be a pancake breakfast, free haircuts, and inflatables available to these families. Please pray that each child would feel seen and loved, and that families would draw into intentional church connections to experience God's great love and affection.

Ways to Participate

Wednesday Prayer Service

Join us each Wednesday night for Prayer Service in the Worship Center at 7:00 p.m. Pre-service prayer groups meet to press into prayer specific to different categories.

Prayer Chain

Join our prayer chain and intercede via email for the needs of our congregation, our community, and the ministries in our church.

24/7 Prayer

We invite you to take part in 24/7 prayer on the campus of WoodsEdge. You may pick a weekly time. Request access by emailing us at prayer@woodsedge.org.

If you would like more information on ways to participate, please go to our website at www.woodsedge.org/prayer/