

March

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Journey Together |
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Prayer Guide

Your Kingdom Come

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." - Matthew 6:9-10

Why Do We Fast?

Fasting is a spiritual practice that draws us closer to God by creating space to seek Him with greater focus. Throughout Scripture, we see fasting as a way to:

Seek God's Presence (Matthew 4:1-2)

Jesus fasted before beginning His ministry, showing us the power of drawing near to the Father.

Grow in Spiritual Strength (Esther 4:16)

Fasting strengthens our faith as we depend on God for guidance and breakthrough.

PRAYER WARRIORS:

God invites His people to intercede—to pray boldly, persistently, and expectantly for His kingdom to break through in our lives and in the world around us. In Genesis 18, Abraham stood before the Lord and pleaded for Sodom. His intercession was audacious, filled with faith, and rooted in his deep love for those who were lost. This same invitation extends to us today.

As Pastor Jeff reminded us, God is looking for people who care enough to pray, people who will stand in the gap for families, communities, and nations. He calls His church to press in, to seek His heart, and to pray for His kingdom to come. Who has God placed on your heart to intercede for?

This month, as we step into a season of prayer and fasting with churches across Houston through Awaken, we are believing for a move of God in our city. We are contending for spiritual renewal, salvation, and transformation. May our prayers echo Jesus'—Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

As we unite in this season of prayer and fasting through Awaken Houston, we encourage you to deepen your engagement by participating in our Daily Prayer Prompts. These prompts are designed to guide our collective intercession, focusing on personal renewal, church revival, and a citywide spiritual awakening.

You can access the daily prompts and additional resources on our Awaken Houston webpage (<https://www.woodsedge.org/awaken>). By joining together in focused prayer, we believe that God will move powerfully in our lives and throughout Houston.

Let us stand in the gap, seek His heart, and pray earnestly for His kingdom to come and His will to be done in our city as it is in heaven.

**Humble Ourselves
Before God** (Ezra
8:21)

*Fasting reminds us
that we are fully reliant
on God, not on our
own strength.*

**Align Our Hearts
with His Will** (Joel
2:12)

*As we fast, we
surrender our desires
and ask God to shape
us according to His
purpose.*

**Increase Our Hunger
for His
Kingdom** (Matthew
6:17-18)

*When we set aside
physical comfort, our
spiritual hunger for
God grows deeper.*

PRAY for:

Upcoming Events

Pray over these upcoming events in your weekly intercession time.

EMBARC: Becoming a World Christian | Mar 2-Apr 13

Father, open eyes to the vastness of Your mission. As participants learn, let their hearts burn for what burns in Yours. Raise up disciple-makers, intercessors, and leaders ready to carry the gospel boldly. May this class not just inform but transform, leading to action.

Hope Center Food Pantry | Weekly

God, we lift up the Hope Center and every person who walks through its doors. May they receive not just food, but hope, dignity, and Your love. Strengthen volunteers, provide abundantly, and let this ministry be a light in our community. May every act of service point to You.

Men's Retreat | Mar 28-30

Lord, draw every man closer to You during this retreat. Let it be a time of renewal, breakthrough, and strengthened brotherhood. Meet them in worship, speak through Your Word, and deepen their calling. May they return as men of faith, leading in their homes, workplaces, and church.

GEM Discovery Day | Mar 30

God, awaken hearts to Your global mission. Stir a passion for the lost and reveal specific ways for each person to engage in Your work. May this be a defining moment where many step forward in obedience, ready to pray, give, or go. Let Your heart for the nations become our heart.

Baptism Celebration | Mar 30

Father, we rejoice with those stepping into baptism, declaring their faith in You. Fill them with Your Spirit, strengthen their walk, and use their testimony to inspire others. May this be a moment of renewal, marking a deeper commitment to You. Surround them with encouragement and lasting community.