

Prayer Guide

The Joy of The Lord is your Strength

"Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." So the Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved.'" – Nehemiah 8: 10-11

*Search me, O God,
and know my heart.*

Psalm 139 invites the Lord to see us just as we are. Within this, take time to listen in prayer:

If God searched my heart today, what would he find?

Am I hungry for personal revival, or have I become spiritually comfortable?

Is my heart at rest in God's promises, or am I anxious and striving?

What areas of my heart have I not yet surrendered to God?

Today, I sensed God speaking to me about...

PRAYER WARRIORS:

Where do we find joy? Joy is internal and set apart of what circumstance and life may otherwise look like. In Isaiah we are encouraged in the many ways God is gracious to lead us to deep fellowship and hope. Please pray for a deeper understanding of the joy we find in Christ, as the book of Isaiah points to our Savior. Pray for joy to be known, through Jesus, within:

Salvation and Redemption: Joy is a result of God redeeming his people through Christ the Lord.

Isaiah 12:3- *With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation.*

Isaiah 52:9- *Burst into songs of joy together,
you ruins of Jerusalem,
for the Lord has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.*

God's Provision and Blessing: Joy is found in God's great provision.

Isaiah 58:14- *then you will find your joy in the Lord,
and I will cause you to ride in triumph on the heights of the land
and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.*

Isaiah 65:18- *But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I will create,
for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight
and its people a joy.*

Righteousness and Transformation: Joy comes from the new identity found in who we are in Christ.

Isaiah 61:10- *I delight greatly in the Lord;
my soul rejoices in my God.
For he has clothed me with garments of salvation
and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness,
as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.*

Triumph and Victory: Joy is the result of God's victorious action.

Isaiah 9:3- *You have enlarged the nation
and increased their joy;
they rejoice before you
as people rejoice at the harvest,
as warriors rejoice
when dividing the plunder.*

Praise and Worship: Joy is expressed through praise and song.

Isaiah 49:13- *Shout for joy, you heavens;
rejoice, you earth;
burst into song, you mountains!
For the Lord comforts his people
and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.*

PRAY for:

Upcoming Events

Pray over these upcoming events in your weekly intercession time.

Turkey Drive I November 2nd- 23rd

Pray for generous donations, allowing every family in need to receive a Thanksgiving meal and feel God's love through this outreach. Lift up the volunteers, asking that they serve with compassion and intentionality, bringing the light of Jesus to each interaction. May the Turkey Drive be a place of genuine engagement, where all feel seen and loved.

Women's Retreat | November 7th-9th

Pray that each woman hears clearly from God and is moved to step into what He's calling her to in this season. May attendees experience a deep encounter with God's presence, leading to transformation and renewed commitment to live out His word. Pray for strong, supportive connections among the women, building lasting friendships that will continue to strengthen our church community.

India Engagement Team I November 7th-15th

Pray for the team heading to the region of Odisha, India. Pray for connection and deep roots for local house churches as we partner with FAMM to minister through prayer, fellowship and the distribution of Compassion Kits.

Men's Ministry Cookoff | November 15th

Pray for meaningful connections among participants, strengthening unity and camaraderie within the men's ministry. Ask that each man feels welcome and valued, and that the event opens doors for new friendships and opportunities for growth. Pray that those new to the church find a comfortable entry point, leading to greater involvement in the community and deeper spiritual engagement.