



September 2024 Prayer Guide, Central Baptist Bearden

Please use this prayer guide with your family, church groups, and anyone who will pray with us!

Week 1 - Sep. 1-7:

Clarity of God's vision for our church family

A) 1 Cor. 13:12; 2 Chron. 16:9 - Pray earnestly that God will help us see a true picture of our church family and what His vision is for us. Pray that His vision will be your vision.

B) Acts 13; Habakkuk 2:3 - Ask God for our church staff to live under the Holy Spirit's guidance. Pray to see that it's impossible to do God's will without being obedient to His Holy Spirit. Ask God to help you keep your prayers and your lifestyle in alignment and that both will be pleasing to Him.

Week 2 - September 8-14:

The power to glorify God and bless others

A) Acts 2:4; 2 Cor. 5:17; Acts 5:29; 1 Cor. 12:26 - Ask God to help us see His transformation in our church, in our personal lives, and in our world. (We know that there was transformation on the day of Pentecost, as old things were passed away and all things became new.)

Pray about Luke 22: 24 and ask God to make this personal to you. Ask Him to help you have Christ's humility.

B) Jn. 14:15-17, John 7:38-39 - Ask God to help you be guided by His indwelling Holy Spirit rather than by the nature you received at birth. "Lord, teach me, my family, and our church family how to be entirely obedient and dependent on you. Guide our church to your chosen pastor."

Week 3 - September 15-21:

Walking in the fullness of the Holy Spirit

A) Eph. 5:18 - Ask God to help us be filled with the Holy Spirit. Thank Him for his pledge to give His children what He desires them to have. Thank Him for helping us in our search for a senior pastor.

B) 2 Tim. 1:12-14; Jude 21-24 - Ask God to help you guard and value the Holy Spirit that He has entrusted to you. Ask Him to help you understand His energizing power and presence as you seek to do His will. Ask God to put you in the right place at the right time. Ask Him to give you proper attitudes and priorities and to see that obedience is what He wants from you. (Additional scriptures: Jn. 14:15-16; Acts 5:32)

Week 4- Sept. 22-28:

How is Jesus speaking to Central Baptist Bearden?

A) Heb. 1:1-2; 1 Cor. 3:16 - Ask God to help you understand His word, as it brings you into His very presence. Speak to Him, glorify Him, and also listen. He will speak to your heart just as He spoke to Jesus on earth.

B) 1 Cor. 6:19; Rom. 3: 11-12 - Ask God to help you know that your body is the temple of God and that His spirit lives in you. He is always with you and can speak clearly to you at any time. Ask God to help you understand that seeing His personal will for you and for our church can be hampered by sin. The Holy Spirit is the spirit of truth. (Additional verses- Jn. 14:17; 15:26; 16:13)

Week 5 - Sept. 29 - Oct. 5:

God reveals His purpose to the church.

A) Philippians 2:23; Jn. 10: 2-4, 14 - Ask God to help you realize that He leads you and His church according to His purposes and plans. Ask Him to help you follow His leadership. We know that God has a senior pastor in mind for Central. Ask Him to help you align your heart to His will and to watch His plans for us unfold.

B) Prov. 19:21; Ps. 33:10-11; Amos 3:7; Isa. 55:8 - Ask God to help you distinguish between His purposes and your own. Ask Him to help you be faithful in maintaining a daily, intimate relationship with Him.

Final Note: Please pray daily for our pastor and interim search committees, for our church staff, for each other, and for all our church's ministries and missions. Thank you!