



Rosedale Park Baptist Church

Pastor's Tag Team

Exodus 17:12

But Moses' hands became heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

Purpose

To promote an environment in our church services and pastors' lives that enables God to work freely in our congregation. The primary method will be through prayer support of our pastors and particularly the preacher each week. This involves two types of prayer: 1) Daily the week prior to a given Sunday for a variety of situations in the pastor's life. 2) Prayer before each sermon for issues specific to the service.

There are also special assignments during Spiritual Life Week and at the direction of the pastors.

If everyone is called to some form of intercessory prayer, why do we call some people "intercessors?"

An intercessor is someone who is especially called and equipped by God through the Holy Spirit to spend time in earnest prayer for other. You become an intercessor simply by receiving such burdens from God to pray for others.

Prayer Focus for the Pastors

- Focus on vision God is giving for ministry
- Financial provision
- Family protection
- Friends to encourage and advise
- Fruit of the Spirit evident in life and family
- Favor of the Lord
- Health
- Find time to spend alone with the Lord
- Finds strength in the Lord
- Children growing in the wisdom and knowledge of God
- Wisdom and discernment
- Humble attitude
- Courage to stand firm in the faith
- Protection from attacks of the enemy and his imps
- God's anointing and inspiration
- Correct handling of the word of truth
- Focus on what God has for him today
- Freedom from burdens and distractions.

A servant of the Lord has well said: Prayer is the rail for God's work. Indeed, prayer is to God's will as rails are to a train. The locomotive is full of power: it is capable of running a thousand miles a day. But if there are no rails, it cannot move forward a single inch. If it dares to move without them, it will soon sink into the earth. It may be able to travel over great distances, yet it cannot go to any place where no rails have been laid. And such is the relation between prayer and God's work.

Without any doubt God is almighty and He works mightily, but He will not and cannot work if you and I do not labor together with Him in prayer, prepare the way for His will, and pray "with all prayer and supplication" (Eph 6:18) to grant Him the maneuverability to so work. Many are the things, which God wills to do, and would like to do, but His hands are bound because His children do not sympathize with Him and have not prayed so as to prepare ways for Him. Let me say to all who have wholly given themselves to God: Do examine yourselves and see if in this respect you have limited Him day after day.

{Watchman Nee, Let Us Pray (New York, New York: Christian Fellowship Publishers, 1977), 11.]

Are You An Intercessor?

First of all, it seems, most people think to be an intercessor you have to pray for hours and hours at each intercession. While intercessors can pray for hours they don't usually do that all the time. Also, being an intercessor is not a special gift given to only some or a few. Being an intercessor is something the Lord wants ALL of us to do.

Yep I said ALL. When we pray for others we are an intercessor. We are standing in the gap for them. We are lifting up their burden. Some may do it with more passion and more feeling but if your prayer is filled with faith it is powerful.

When we know who we are in Christ and we KNOW how much the Lord loves everyone it is hard to NOT pray for others. It truly would be a sad Christian if their prayers were ALWAYS for themselves.

Praying for the nation and our leaders is interceding.

Praying for friends and family is interceding.

So let's all get to interceding for those around us and get serious about it. Perhaps it is only certain ones who will publicly proclaim they are an intercessor but we truly can ALL intercede.

Prayer works! So let's get to it!



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Come stand in the gap with us!