

Marble Springs Baptist Church Prayer Guide Sunday, October 18, 2020

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your path. Proverbs 3:5-6*

PRAYER FOR RESTORATION

- Father, we praise You that man will experience exactly what You had planned for him in the Garden – all made possible through the death and resurrection of Jesus. We rejoice in the promise that You have declared about life in the new heaven: *“God’s home is now with His people. He will live with them, and they will be his own. Yes, God will make His home among His people. He will wipe all tears from their eyes, and there will be no more death, suffering, crying, or pain. These things of the past are gone forever.”* How beautiful are the plans of our God!
- So Father, help us to identify the idols in our lives - those things that are more important to us than You, anything that absorbs our heart and our imagination more than You, anything we seek to give us what only You can give - A counterfeit god. Help us to examine where we spend our time; where we spend our money; where do we get our joy; what’s always on our mind; what keeps us from being faithful in our worship of God and in our service to others? We don’t want to let anything, even a good thing, take the place of You in our life.
- Father, we pray that You will help us to fight off the tendency to allow anything or anyone take the highest priority or place of importance in our life besides Jesus. So we pray to return to our first love (Rev. 2:1-7) for we know that the closer we are to Jesus, the easier it is to keep ourselves from idols; the more we rest in Your love, the more we will love You and the more we will obey You.
- Jesus, help us to become so intoxicated with the grace of God that we're too consumed with His beauty to notice any other god. We pray to run to the cross, experience again the love that You have for us and rest in that love. May we breathe in Your love and let it overwhelm us!

PRAYER FOR FRESH ENCOUNTER

- Help us Lord to put away any unconfessed sin and doubtful habit. We pray that we will promptly obey the Spirit and publicly confess Jesus Christ.
- We pray we will understand our calling as Your chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, Your special possession, so that we declare the praises of You who called us out of darkness into Your wonderful light. Help us to reorient our life in a closer relationship to Christ.
- Father, help us to honestly ask ourselves where You would see our life right now and how our life has come to be where it is spiritually; was there a particular sin or have we disobeyed You? Guide us to see what each of us must do to return to a healthy, vibrant walk with You once again and to do it today.
- Father, You intend for us as a congregation to be united in caring for one another and in boldly sharing our faith. Help us to keep sight of your purpose and intention; to not let sin bind or deceive us for we desire to be an instrument in Your hand to bring a lost world to You.

*“Now may the God of hope fill you with peace in believing,
that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit” Romans 15:13*

PRAYFOR30DAYS: GOD'S GREAT HOPE

- Lord, forgive us for the many times we fail to recognize your holiness. We pray that our church sees Your holiness and worships and obeys You, the Holy One.
- Father, forgive us for our lack of brokenness over sin. Lord, give our church a burning desire for Your renewed presence through revival.
- Lord, help us see the spiritual famine and sin in our life and in the nation. We pray for our church to unite and seek God's mercy concerning the sin in the land.
- Lord, teach us to fear You as the Lord of hosts. Father, give our church a fresh glimpse of You as the Lord of hosts in these pivotal days.
- Father, how we need to desperately seek Your forgiveness today. Make us desperate for You. We pray that our church will become desperate for You and Your forgiveness.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy, has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

PRAYER FOR MEMBER'S FAMILY & FRIENDS:

- Praise God that Kimber Vaught's MRI and blood-work results were good and pray for her upcoming visit with a neurologist.
- Pray for Annette Green's friend, Diane Costa whose stage 4 liver cancer is also in her lungs. Pray for her and her family.
- Continue to pray for John's mom, Barbara Bailey - pray for healing.
- Pray for friends and family members that need Christ.

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. Col. 4:2