

2025

PRAYER GUIDE

April - June



Happy Spring!

This prayer guide and scripture reading are devoted to a regular commitment time with Jesus. They help you to slow down for contemplative prayer and scripture reading, and follow a shared track of prayer and scripture with our church.

Use this prayer guide along with our weekly prayer list sent each week and lift your church family in prayer. Remember, prayer forms us. I expect you to hear from God when you pray; it could be a simple encouragement or a convicting spirit nudge. His Spirit is always at work.

Pastor Nate

We pray to be **formed by God**. Take a moment and **quiet your head, heart, and spirit**. Open yourself to hearing from God and **begin with these prayers daily**. This is the work of slowing down and posturing yourself to **hear from God**.

FIRST WORDS IN PRAYER

In the name of the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

One thing I have asked of the Lord,
this is what I seek:
That I may dwell in the house
of Lord all the days of my life;
To behold the beauty of the
Lord and to seek Him in His temple.

To whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life,
And we have believed
and have come to know
That You are the Holy One of God.

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ,
King of endless glory.

CONFESSION AND DECLARATION

I confess to you, Almighty God,
and to my brothers and sisters,
that I have sinned by my own fault,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do.

Because of God's grace and forgiveness,
I will walk in the light, the beautiful light.
I will come to where the dewdrops of mercy
shine bright.

Jesus, shine all around us by day and by night.
Jesus, you are the light of the world.

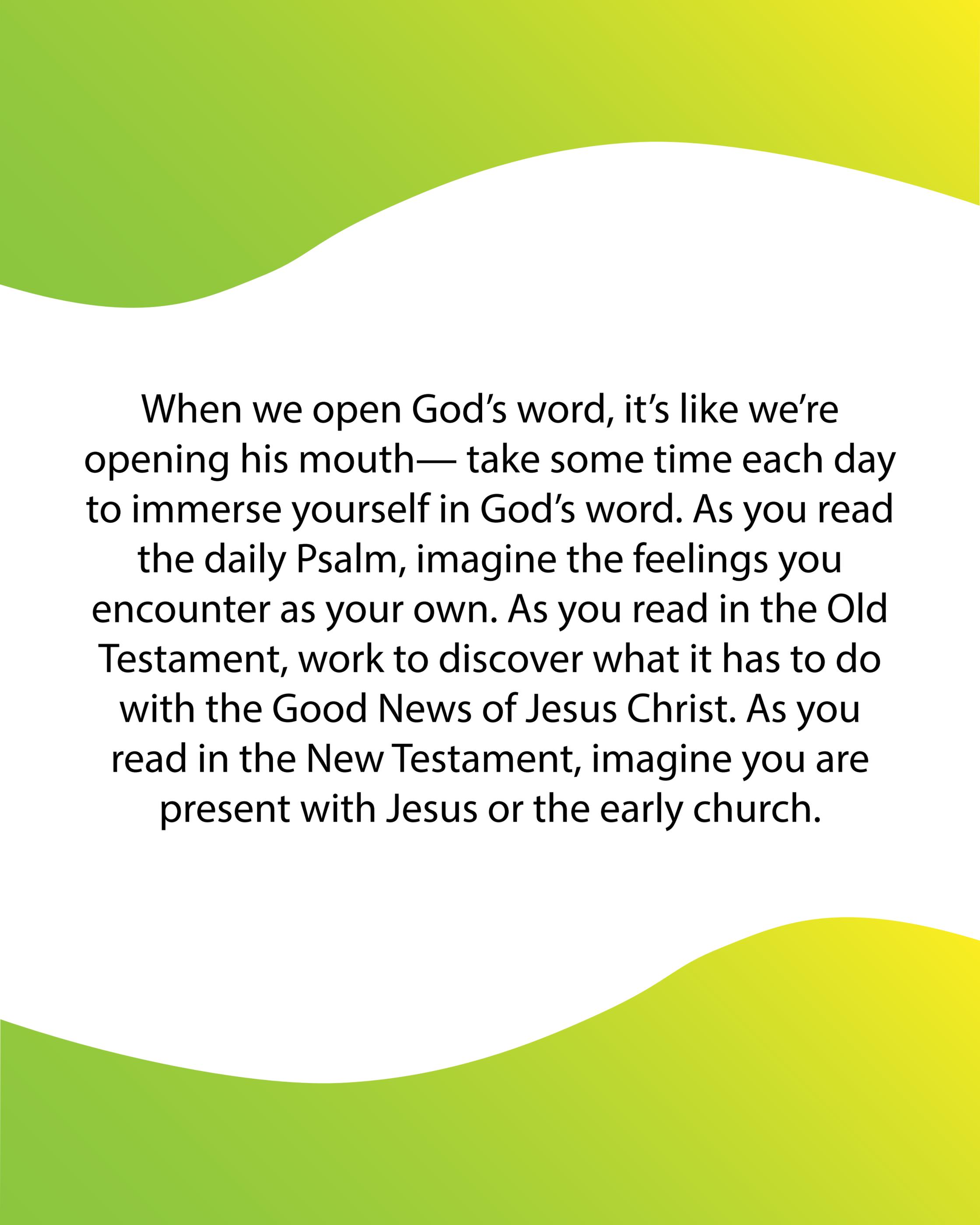
THE JESUS PRAYER

**Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
Have mercy on me [a sinner].**

PRAYER OF THE OPEN HANDS

Christ, as a light, illumine and guide me.
Christ, as a shield, overshadow me.
Christ under me; Christ over me;
Christ beside me, on my left and my right.
This day be within and without me, lowly and
mEEK, yet all-powerful.
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak;
In the mouth of each who speaks unto me.
This day be within and without me, lowly and
mEEK, yet all-powerful.
Christ as a light;
Christ as a shield;
Christ beside me
On my left and my right.

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and
peace in believing through the power of the
Holy Spirit. Amen.



When we open God's word, it's like we're opening his mouth— take some time each day to immerse yourself in God's word. As you read the daily Psalm, imagine the feelings you encounter as your own. As you read in the Old Testament, work to discover what it has to do with the Good News of Jesus Christ. As you read in the New Testament, imagine you are present with Jesus or the early church.

BIBLE READING QUARTER 2

Psalms: one each day

Old Testament Reading: same each day of the week

New Testament Reading: one chapter each day

Week of April 6

Psalm 92-98

Philippians 3:4-14

John 12:1-8

Week of May 11

Psalm 127-133

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

Week of June 15

Psalm 11-17

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

Week of April 13

Psalm 99-105

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 19:28-40

Week of May 18

Psalm 134-140

Revelation 21:1-6

John 13:31-35

Week of June 22

Psalm 18-24

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

Week of April 20

Psalm 106-112

I Corinthians 15:19-26

John 20:1-18

Week of May 25

Psalm 141-147

Revelation 21:10, 22:1-5

John 14:23-29

Week of June 29

Psalm 25-31

Galatians 5:1-25

Luke 9:51-62

Week of April 27

Psalm 113-119

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

Week of June 1

Psalm 148-150, 1-3

Revelation 22:12-21

John 17:20-26

Week of May 4

Psalm 120-126

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

Week of June 8

Psalm 4-10

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-27

PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND NEEDS

This next section is all about bringing our requests to God. Before you begin this specific time of prayer, read **Psalm 23** and **Psalm 91:1-2**.

PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND NEEDS

Pray for your immediate family by name.

Pray the Lord's Prayer.

Pray for your personal requests and needs.

Use this time to pray for whatever is on your heart. Employ your spiritual gift and pray in tongues to edify yourself before the Lord.

PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND NEEDS

Pray for these daily focused requests:

Sunday: The church gathered.

All of Albemarle's worship gatherings today are clear gospel! Our network churches: Sandhills Assembly and NC Assemblies of God fellowship Churches.

Monday: the church scattered in mission.

Wisdom in reaching out with God's love through our various vocations, local businesses, and medical missions. Business owners in the community, doctors, nurses, civil servants.

Tuesday: the church at home and school

For homes and schools. All our county schools, charter and private schools, colleges, and universities.

Wednesday: the church serving the needy.

The people who reach out regularly to meet the needs of the community. Our local and regional outreach partnerships include the Pregnancy Resource Center, Stanly Christian Ministry, Convoy of Hope, FAM, LEAF, and other partners.

PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND NEEDS

Pray for these daily focused requests:

Thursday: the church in our nation and world.

Guidance for those who govern and those who are governed. For peace and justice.

Local, state, and national officials and servants.

Friday: AFA's fellowship

For the discipleship, growth, and deep-rooted cultivation of unity and hospitality at AFA.

For our pastor, board, and leadership team.

Saturday: the witness of Christians.

That the church may grow inwardly in discipleship and outwardly through evangelism of the lost, All of our supported missionaries.

Prayer of The Eugene Peterson Center for Christian Imagination:

God, give us eyes to see the wideness of your world, shimmering with beauty and holiness. Stimulate our imaginations, infusing us with courage and hope. Surround us with friendship. Plant us as seeds of resurrection.

Seeking to live our prayer with courage and humility, we commit to our Common Rule, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

CLOSING PRAYERS

These prayers are an appropriate ascent from the slower, more contemplative prayer that we've just prayed. Pray these as you wrap up this time of prayer.

PRAYER OF GRACE

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession of the Mystery

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Benediction Prayer

We are image bearers of the most high God,

We are covered by the love of Jesus,

We have the power of the Holy Spirit within us.

Because of the Holy Spirit's power within us,

We will freely and recklessly give away this love
of Jesus

We won't hold back.

Amen.