

CFBC 30-Day Prayer Guide



An Invitation to Intercede for Your Pastor
and Revive Your Church

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Join our Elders, Deacons, and staff in a focused season of prayer for our Pastor and Church Staff for the sake of revival and spiritual awakening in our church and beyond. Our desire is to lift up our leaders in prayer asking God not only to do a mighty work in their hearts but in all our hearts. We want to see God empower and transform our pastor, staff, and church body to accomplish greater things than we can ask or think.
Ephesians 3:20

May 1st – Focus: Relationship with God

Lord God, give our pastor and staff a vibrant and deepening relationship with you. Bless and protect their personal alone time with you and give them the resolve to please you and not man. Let our pastor and staff lead by first being led by you Lord. Lord, shake the hearts of people to recognize the futility of life without a personal walk with their creator.

May 2nd – Focus: God's Wisdom for Decisions

Lord, we ask you to pour out a special anointing of wisdom, discernment, and insight on our pastor and staff. Equip them with the mind of Christ to guide all their decisions. Guide them to seek your heart and will in every decision. We pray God's people will repent from stubborn hearts, from following our own counsel and seeking the wisdom of the world to live our lives.

May 3rd – Focus: Quality Home and Family Life

Father, lead our pastor in balancing the demands of his role as pastor with the role of husband and father. Bless and protect his family (call out by name) against all attacks of the enemy. Father, restore the sanctity of marriage in America, destroy the enemy's gender identity agenda, and please protect the unborn and at-risk children.

May 4th – Focus: Preparation for God's Work

Holy Spirit, anoint our pastor's study time and provide him uninterrupted weekly sermon preparation time. Bless him with an ever-deepening understanding of God's Word and give him a special love and hunger to study and communicate the truth of your Word. Lord, we pray God's people will rightly handle your Word and be devoted to using their spiritual gifts to serve

others. Lord, I ask you to give CFBC a special calling and burden to transform our community by pouring out the love of Jesus.

May 5th – Focus: Preaching God's Word

Holy Spirit, empower our pastor and associate pastors to boldly preach the full council of God's Word. Give them the zeal of the apostles as well as the physical and emotional endurance to proclaim your message. Lord, equip them to effectively communicate your heart and truth each week. We ask you to intervene and save churches that have fallen to false doctrine. Lord, we pray for revival to break out across our nation that leads to repentance for our national sins.

May 6th – Focus: Overcoming Criticism

Heavenly Father, help our pastor and staff endure and stand strong in the face of criticism. Protect our pastors from harmful, unwarranted criticism. Give them perspective and focus amid criticism. Raise up an army of defenders and encouragers who will courageously stand by them. Lord, convict the hearts of those with a critical spirit in our churches, and open their eyes to address concerns with love and a humble spirit.

May 7th – Focus: Unity in the Church

Lord Jesus, you prayed in John 17 for the perfect unity of believers. Lord, we pray for the unity of our church. Protect us from all the schemes of the enemy to incite conflict. Lead our pastoral staff to protect and strengthen the unity within our body of Christ. Lord, bring conviction and restoration to churches in America that have allowed conflict to ruin their witness. Raise up godly men and women in every church who are committed to building and protecting the unity of Christ's church.

May 8th – Focus: Personal Prayer Life

Lord, make our pastor and staff people of prayer. Fill them with passion and discipline to prioritize time in prayer. Lord, increase their faith as they see your faithfulness in answered prayer. Remind us to fervently pray that our staff will be blessed with a dynamic prayer life. Lord, our nation greatly sinned by

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taking public prayer out of schools, businesses, and public gatherings. Lord, have mercy on us and empower your people to stand and fight to regain our freedom to pray.

May 9th – Focus: Time in God's Word

Holy Spirit, fill our pastoral staff with a deep love and hunger for the Word. Help them set aside needed time each week to read the Word. Lord speak to them through your Word. Let your Word renew their minds and spirit daily and bless them with a glimpse of your glory as they spend time with you. Father, we pray that governmental and civic leaders will wake up and recognize the need to return to the Bible as the moral standard for our society. Lord, make your Word the foundation of America once again.

May 10th – Focus: Biblical Counseling

Holy Spirit, our pastoral staff's week is filled with people seeking wisdom, guidance, and counseling. We ask you to give them the wisdom and insight to address every situation. Fill them with the fruits of the Spirit and enable them to be compassionate listeners. Bless them with the ability to apply the truth of God's Word to provide hope and healing. Lord, our country is suffering the consequences of exchanging the truth for a lie. We are a stiff-necked and rebellious people like the Israelites. We humbly ask for you to have mercy and ignite a spiritual awakening that exposes the darkness and sends us running back to you.

May 11th – Focus: Ministry of Caregiving

Father, pastoral care cannot be done without your supernatural strength. We ask you to refresh and renew our pastoral staff to meet the challenges and emotional demands of providing 24/7 care and support. Lord, give them your compassion and supply the words to speak as they minister in life's toughest moments. Lord, Americans seek hope and comfort in all the wrong places. Lord, we intercede on behalf of all those looking for hope apart from you and ask you to let them find their hope in you and you alone.

May 12th – Focus: Meeting Expectations

Lord, give our pastor and church staff wisdom as they strive to meet the needs and expectations placed on them. Give them special grace to know when to say yes and when to say no and protect them from spiritual burnout. Bless and multiply their effectiveness as a ministry team. Lord, remind them to take the time they need to minister to their own families. Lord, empower our church to use their spiritual gifts to help carry the load of meeting the needs of our members.

May 13th – Focus: God-Centered Weddings

Father, we thank you for a pastoral staff that loves to serve the flock. Lead our pastoral staff in making every wedding a worship event that honors you. Guide them to ground each couple in God's design for marriage through premarital counseling. Lord, our nation has defied you and compromised the sanctity of marriage. Lord, give our church, churches across America, and political leaders the boldness to stand and fight to make the Bible's definition the standard for marriage again.

May 14th – Focus: Grief Ministry

Heavenly Father, we ask you to provide our pastoral staff an extra measure of grace as they minister in times of illness and death. Let their presence and support bring comfort even in the most difficult situations. Give them wise and compassionate words of peace and comfort for every funeral message. Help them clearly convey the power and hope of the gospel. Lord, give our church a special burden to minister in times of death. Help us pour out your love and comfort to every grieving family.

May 15th – Focus: Weariness

Lord, the pace and workload for our pastoral staff can be overwhelming. Bless their time management and priority setting. We ask you to give them quality sleep and time to rest and refresh. Most importantly, we ask for spiritual rest that comes from leaning on and trusting you. Give them stamina and endurance to shepherd and equip our church to go and make disciples. Lord, I pray that our church will be zealous for good works and will share the ministry workload.

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May 16th – Focus: Leadership

Father, we ask you to bless our pastor and staff with the skill and ability to handle all aspects of leading our church well. Help them leverage the unique gifts and talents each person brings. Join the hearts of the staff, elders, and deacons and bless them with a special unity to serve the body. Lord, we ask you to bless our church with trust and support for those in leadership. We pray for you to raise up godly leaders to serve our community, state, and our nation.

May 17th – Focus: Relationships

Heavenly Father, we ask you to bless and protect both employee and laity relationships in our church. Let the fruits of the spirit be evident in all relationships. Give our pastor and staff a special bond of unity. Give them wisdom and Biblical principles to guide every decision. Lord, give our church a special love for one another and let us glorify you by living out your command to put the interests of others above our own.

May 18th – Focus: Encouragement

Lord Jesus, we ask that you encourage our pastor and staff daily through the presence and power of your Spirit. We pray that we will faithfully walk out our love and appreciation for our pastor and staff. Unite us to pray against all the enemy's attempts to discourage our staff and our church. Lord, teach each member to be an encourager to one another in the church, the home, and the workplace. Lord, help us be an encouragement to all who enter our doors.

May 19th – Focus: Courage

Lord, you have called our pastoral staff, Elders, and Deacons to lead and shepherd the flock. We pray for them to have the courage and clarity to make the right decisions, not the easiest and most popular. We pray they will be peacemakers in times of disagreement. Lord, we ask that you give our church the courage to stand for truth and righteousness in the face of worldly opposition. Lord, bring churches to repentance that have compromised the truth to please the world.

May 20th – Focus: Hope

Lord, we pray that our pastoral staff, Elders, and Deacons will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit. Fill them with your hope, the hope of glory to serve and meet the challenges of each new day. Lord, use your Word to open our eyes so that we may know the hope to which we have been called. Forgive us when we seek hope from the world and not in you. We pray that God, the source of all hope, will give our church special zeal to spread the living hope in Christ Jesus throughout our community.

May 21st – Focus: Loss

Father, you above all know the pain of loss and rejection. We ask you to supply our pastoral staff with an extra measure of grace when they face loss, rejection, and loneliness. Let them sense your presence powerfully when they minister in death and tragedies. Bless them with friends to pray and encourage them. Lord, descend on our land with the convicting power of the Holy Spirit to bring our nation to repentance and the greatest spiritual awakening ever seen.

May 22nd – Focus: Success not Failure

Lord Jesus, help our pastoral staff focus on your definition of success and what you are leading them to do. Give them an eternal perspective and help them see and appreciate all the areas where you are at work. Give them your vision for CFBC. Keep their minds and hearts focused on pleasing you. Lord, we ask you to break the chains of worldliness that bind your church. Turn our hearts back to you and away from worthless things.

May 23rd – Focus: Anger

Holy Spirit, our pastoral staff often face negative comments, harsh words, and criticism through social media, emails, and phone calls. They could experience hurt or anger and we ask you to empower them to respond well. Fill them with self-control to know when to respond and when to be quiet. Let all their words be seasoned with grace and bring glory to you. Lord, we pray for salvation for our lost friends and family members (call them by name).

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May 24th – Focus: Temptation

Lord, our pastoral staff, elders, and deacons are under constant spiritual attack. We ask you to daily clothe them with the protection of the armor of God. Bless them to be spiritually alert and protect them from being put in places of temptation and from yielding to temptations. Cover them with the protection of your mighty right hand. Lord, we ask you to renew our faith and confidence in you as our rock of salvation as we face unprecedented health crises, weather disasters, and political unrest.

May 25th – Focus: Comparisons

Father, we know Satan is the author of comparison. Remind our pastoral staff not to compare themselves to others but know you have gifted each perfectly to accomplish the ministry you called them to do. Admonish our church not to compare but to love, support, and pray for the staff God has given us. Lord, give us the grace to remember pastors are human and cannot be perfect. Lord, we ask you to call out more and more of our members to active involvement in serving inside and outside the church. We pray you will provide a waiting list of people willing to fill all our mission opportunities.

May 26th – Focus: Joy

Father, your Word tells us there is joy in your presence. We ask that our pastoral staff abide day by day in your unsurpassed goodness and fullness of joy. We pray they will count it all joy as they encounter tough times and good times. Lord, guide our pastors and staff to claim the promises in James 1:2-4. Lord, our world is full of hopeless sheep looking for safe pasture. Lord, make CFBC a place of safe pasture and a place where dozens upon dozens find living water.

May 27th – Focus: Clarity

Lord, our pastor must lead our church with a clear vision and strategy. He must make daily decisions with clarity. Lord, you are light. We ask you to give our pastor a clear vision, and light up the way he is to lead us and how he is to lead us. Gift him with the “sight” to make the right decisions for our church in

these complex days. Lord, remind the people of God that the prayer of a righteous man has much power. Work in our hearts to transform our church into a powerhouse of prayer. Father, call on saints across America to respond to our desperate need for prayer in these last days.

May 28th – Focus: Friends

Lord Jesus, you knew the joy of close friends. We ask that you gift our pastoral staff with the kind of deep friendships you enjoyed. Give them trustworthy friends and friends who are encouragers and counselors. Give them friends who allow them to be themselves and who faithfully remain closer than a brother. We pray for the Holy Spirit to fill pastors across our nation with the courage to proclaim the full truth of the Gospel without compromise. We ask that your hand be against those who are preaching a false Gospel.

May 29th – Focus: Equipping

Father, we pray for our church members. May we come forward and more eagerly and expectantly to use our spiritual gifts to do ministry in our church. Develop our pastor and staff to be excellent equippers of our church body. Protect them from ministry overload and burnout. Give them the wisdom to know when to turn loose and delegate ministry work to others. We pray that the lost in our nation will be warned by God’s judgments of our day. Father, we pray the lost will have ears to hear and come to saving faith in Christ.

May 30th – Focus: Love

Father, our greatest request is that you fill us and empower us to love one another. Teach our church to love our pastor and staff. Make our church an anomaly of love in our community where people see the love of Jesus and are drawn to the Savior. Lord, pour your love on our pastor and staff. Lift them up, strengthen, and sustain them as they sacrificially serve and love us. Lord, help CFBC discover more deeply the heart of the Father, the resurrection power of the Holy Spirit, and the sacrificial love of Jesus our Savior. To you, O Lord, be glory and honor and praise forever. Amen.