

Prayer of Surrender

Matthew 6:19-34

Beginning prayer with **adoration** *"...hallowed be Your Name..."*

Praise for who He is
Praise for what He has done
Thankfulness

Learning to walk in **wonder**

...at God's **creation** around us
...at Christ's **work** within me *Ephesians 2:1-10*

Surrendering the things that hold me (*relinquishment*)

"...not my will, but yours be done..." Jesus *Luke 22:42*

Releasing my hold on **possessions** *Matthew 6:19-21*

"Much-ness", "many-ness"

Releasing myself from other **masters** *Matthew 6:24*

Renouncing **wealth** as a life goal

Letting go of "**people-pleasing**"

Letting go of my own desires/**driveness**

Releasing my **anxieties** *Matthew 6:25-34*

About food, clothing, daily struggles

Over my family (**safety**, decisions, etc.)

Concerning my **health**/future

Releasing my desire to **control** *Matthew 7:1-4*

Re-engaging in seeking God's **kingdom** *Matthew 6:33*

Prayer is a part of extending God's realm of control

Experiencing life change (**obedience**)

Expressing God's heart for others; **being Jesus to them**

Praying together builds that biblical community

CHALLENGE this week - prayer **themes**

This week the church will be open for prayer, 6:30-7:30 am

PRAYER THEMES

monday

My Family

- PRAISE** God's name, **El Shaddai**: the Almighty, All-Sufficient One
2 Corinthians 4:7-18
- THANKS** God's work in bringing the Light to me & those who played a part
- REQUEST** My family and current concerns with each family member
Immediate family needs, spiritual and physical
Extended family (unbelievers; health needs; conflicts)

tuesday

My Church Family

- PRAISE** God is holy (so high above sin) *Isaiah 6:1-7*
The beauty of creation *Psalms 19:1-4*
- THANKS** For our church family (stability, benefits of so many servants, etc.)
For specific people who have blessed you
- REQUEST** Church needs
Leaders and the current transition
Health needs I'm aware of
Revival, spirit of prayer/humility
That God would become more real, and personal holiness would become very important to each of us

wednesday

*My Community
(neighbors)*

- PRAISE** For God's love shown in so many ways *1 John 3:1-3; 4:7-12*
For creating us in His image
- THANKS** For the blessings & freedoms of our country and particularly
life in Douglas County; health, safety
- REQUEST** For people who need the Lord in Douglas County
Friends, coworkers, neighbors
For God to move our hearts to compassion towards those that don't know him

thursday

My World

- PRAISE** For God's faithful love (never gives up on us, knows all about us, committed to us) and His grace *Romans 8:38; Eph 2:8-10*
- THANKS** For people who are, and have been, an encouragement to me
For peace in life's storms
- REQUESTS** For the Krung people of northern Cambodia
Local Krung leaders
Pahn, Seni, Buen, James, Rit, Mian, Padu
Outside missionaries
Kreg & Jennie Mallows, Bee Pinthamarak,
Crowleys, Chuck & Sally Keller, Kevin Olsen
For SFC's mission focus—*Sanford Hillman, Scott Swearingen, Kent Helvie & mission teams*

FRIDAY

My Country

- PRAISE** That God sent Jesus to explain the nature of God to us, to die as a substitute for our sins, to give us His life in us and to be our constant Shepherd and Comfort *Ro 8:26-27; 2 Cor 5:17-21*
- THANKS** That in Christ I am whole and forgiven, and have received power to walk with God each day
That the Holy Spirit lives in me, guiding and giving me the power to live connected to God
- REQUEST** For President Bush and the leaders of our country
For those serving our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan...
For those serving here in emergency services
Policemen, firemen, border patrol)
For those teaching our children in this community