

# (prayed over by the elders) Prayer Requests 1/1/23

### 40 Days of Prayer-PRAYER AS WORSHIP

### —Matthew 6:9 & Luke 11:2

Introduction- Prayer is our invitation to commune with God Himself and, in its purest form, begins as worship. Simply by addressing our Father in heaven, we acknowledge His place in the world and our lives. We honor His name and His power. The spoken words to a loving heavenly Father are a testament to His authority and divinity. Our prayers are futile if they are directed toward any other entity. We worship our Father when we acknowledge His rightful place on the throne, and we express our faith in a sovereign God when we make our requests known. To pray is to worship.

### I. Prayer is a testament to God's authority (Ps. 135).

- A. "Our Father in heaven" is an acknowledgement of His place in the world and His place in our lives.
  - B. We offer prayers to the only One capable of hearing and acting.

### II. Prayer is a testament to God's sovereignty (Col. 1:16–17).

- A. We honor his authority and His power and pray in His name.
- B. His sovereignty uniquely qualifies Him to hear our Prayers (PS 121:2)

### III. To pray is to worship.

- A. The act of praying is an act of worship when we faithfully trust an almighty God with our prayers (Matt. 19:26).
  - B. To pray is to worship (Ps. 95:1-7).

Conclusion/application- The simple act of prayer begins with praise when we honor the authority and divinity of our God who hears and acts. We may feel like we are mumbling words, confessions, and petitions, but we are positioning our hearts in a way that recognizes our need for a mighty God to act on behalf of weak humanity. We accept His loving kindness as He invites us to commune with Him. This posture is one of praise and becomes an avenue of worship. Truly, to pray is to worship. To pray to our Father in heaven is to say the true things about the only God capable of our declarations.



**January 1, 2023** 



## **Greenview** Alliance Church

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# Welcome!

We're glad you're here.

If you are a visitor today or church member with a prayer request or if you need to contact a staff member or elder, please take a moment to fill out the attached connection card and place it in the offering plate, located at the back of the sanctuary.

Nursery is available for children ages 0 up to 4 years old. KidZone is available today for kids age 4-5th grade. Today's KidZone volunteers are Molly Kadash, Susan Raymer, and Blake Stevens. All our workers have clearances and have been properly trained.

Mike Counsil will be leading us in prayer.

Pastor Ron will be blessing us with the message. 40 Days of Prayer-PRAYER AS WORSHIP

The worship team will be leading the following songs: Living Hope, Christ Be Magnified, Build My Life, and How Great Thou Art.

Thank you for spending your morning with us!

Contact us on our cell phones if you need us.

Sunday 9:30am Worship Service **Church Center** App QR code:



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# ~ Highlights ~

The 2<sup>nd</sup> offering for January will be going to GCF/Dannekers.



For 6 weeks we will focus on 40 Days of Prayer with the National C&MA Church. This is what you can expect for January and early February:

Mondays @ Noon - in-person prayer hour at Oak Grove

Tuesdays @ 8pm - Weekly Encounters online

Wednesdays + Thursdays (TBA) - online meditation with Pastor Ron on our YouTube Channel.

Sign up for daily email devotionals here: <a href="https://cmalliance.org/40days/">https://cmalliance.org/40days/</a>

Sign up for the Tuesday night Weekly Encounters here: https://www.bigmarker.com/

series/40-days-of-prayer-2023-weekl/series summit

Subscribe to the YouTube Channel here: https://www.youtube.com/ @GreenviewAllianceChurch

Links are also available on our Greenview Family News Facebook group and via email.

Annual Session B meeting on January 14th, 10am at Oak Grove.

### Update your contact info with us on Church Center

Update your contact information with us easily and at any time! Add new family members, change your email or mailing address, add birthdays, etc. Just scan this QR Code and fill out your information.



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