

Night of Praying and Sharing

Date and Time

Name of Church

Purpose:

- To seek God for our own revival
- To seek God for others who need a touch from God
- To seek God that we would have unity of the Spirit in our Church
- To seek God that we will see the Spirit move in our body
- To seek God that we can more powerfully use us to bring others to Christ
- To seek God that we will be salt in Bangor, Maine and wherever God wants to use us.

What we ask of you:

- To forgo dinner as a mild fast before attending—if you can. If you can't, give up something else you like to do.
- Come with an attitude of repentance, humility and seeking God and the power of the Holy Spirit in your life and the life of His Church.
- Come expecting God to move in your heart that night and the Church in the weeks ahead.
- Come expecting to stay the night if possible. Just because you can't, do not let that stop you from spending several hours with us.

Night's Activities (times are approximate):

7:00 to 8:30 pm (Confession and Repentance) Name of person responsible

- Singing
- How does sin block our prayers. We wind up asking for the wrong thing because sin blocks our understanding of God's will. (James 4:1-4)
- Brainstorm different kinds of sin that can entangle us and make us ineffective.
 - Unforgiveness, hatred, bitterness
 - Pride, self-justification, arrogance
 - Any kind of sexual sin
 - Gossip, backbiting, slander
 - Being caught up in the world
 - Seeking worldly recognition
 - Not being obedient to Christ
- As we brainstorm sin, we will be convicted of things we have not repented of. There will be a time when we can privately write them down on paper and nail our sins to the cross.
- Celebrate communion
- 15 to 20 minutes of seeking God in prayer for our own lives

8:30-9:30 pm (Spiritual Warfare) Name of person responsible

- Discuss spiritual warfare. Use Ephesians 6:10-18 as basis.
 - Who is the real enemy?
 - How can and does Satan attack us?
 - How should we respond?
 - Who is the source?
- Discuss and share how this principle has affected you.
 - Others in the Church?
 - How does Satan use it to weaken and destroy the church?
- Identify spiritual strongholds in the community.
- Use directed prayer to attack those strongholds we have identified.

9:30-10:30 pm (Intercession for Our Teens & Children) Name of person responsible

- Singing
- Reading from the *Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire* by Pastor Jim Cymbala about prayer releasing God to convict his wayward daughter and bring her back from the pit of hell.
- Discuss and give testimonies on how God has worked in your kids lives
- Pray, intercede and release God to push back the spiritual forces deceiving our teens and children in the Church, especially those that are drifting. Use 1 Peter 5:6-9 as guide.

10:30-12:00 pm (Evangelism) Name of person responsible

- Watch first 15 minute segment of video called *Transformation* on how God is moving powerfully in Columbia where His people have sought Him, starting with prayer vigils.
- Discuss the video and what it means to us. How can we seek a closer walk with Christ?
- Break out into individual prayer focusing on how God can use you to bring Him glory!

12:00-1:00 am (Intercession for Each Other) Name of person responsible

- Someone from the Walking with Jesus program share what they have been doing in seeking Christ and some of the spiritual warfare that has occurred.
- A time of sharing — Walking with Jesus participants should have a lot to share. The sharing and testimonies are not limited to them, however.
- Praying for each other. Break into non-married pairs. Each person prays for the other and their family after hearing prayer requests. Then the whole group prays for pastor and his family separately, and then for their family.

1:00-2:00 am (The Purpose and Function of the Church) Name of person responsible

- Discuss the function of the Church, perhaps using Ephesians 4:11-16 as the scripture basis.
- What is the purpose of the Church?
- How is supposed to function?
- What is our purpose within the Church?
- Testimonies.
- Prayer Stations in each room in the Church will be used in which each person can spend 5 minutes at praying for the activity or the people who use the room that God might be glorified in that room. One-half hour will be devoted in this segment so one person can do 6 rooms. (There will be three half-hour segments to do all 18 rooms)

2:00-3:00 am (Intercede for Each Member of the Church) Name of person responsible

- Second fifteen minute segment of *Transformation* video on how God is working in Nigeria
- Continue discussing the Body of Christ, how each person has a gift to contribute to a well functioning body and what we can do to encourage the body to function like it should.
- Testimonies
- Using the current phone book; each person pray for each person in the book, plus any others that may be needed

3:00-4:00 am (Learning how to Love One Another as Christ Loved Us) Name of person responsible

- Singing
- Discuss the new commandment given to us by Jesus in John 13:34-35?
- What does it mean to love one another as Jesus loved us? How do we do it? 2 Pet 1:3-11.
- Testimonies
- Continue praying at prayer stations throughout the Church.

4:00-5:00 am (How to Witness) Name of person responsible

- Discuss the Great Commandment in Matthew 28.
- Are we all to be evangelists? How are we to share the gospel of Christ?
- Testimonies
- Finish praying at prayer stations throughout the Church.

5:00-6:00 am (Interceding for Bangor) Name of person responsible

- Discuss the Biblical principles about praying for your community and governing leaders
- Testimonies
- Using a map of Bangor, each person pray for different sections of the city, including city hall and our governing officials.

6:00-7:30 am Breakfast of fruit, eggs, bread, coffee etc.