

**7** Pray for church planters' children and especially that the pressures of the ministry will not discourage or embitter them. Pray that church planters will provide godly leadership in the home, not based on fear of what others will think, but according to scriptural truth. *Ephesians 6:4*

**8** Ask God to protect church planters and sending church pastors from the evil plots of Satan. Pray that he will not be corrupted as he rubs shoulders with the world in the course of ministry. *Psalms 91:9-10*

**9** Pray that God will build a hedge of protection around the marriages of church planters & that he and his wife will be aware of the potential for any improper relationships. Pray their family time will be protected. *Matt. 19:6*

**10 Maria Gomez's birthday. Donnie & Amy Grigg's Anniversary.** Pray for church planters to use discernment in use of email, the Internet, and other media. Ask God to guard his heart concerning the use of free time. Pray that he will be morally pure and that he will wear the armor of God so that he will not fall into sexual temptation. *Ephesians 6:10-11*

**11** Ask God to provide godly friends and encouragers for church planters and sending church pastors and their families to strengthen them for the ministry and provide meaningful fellowship and times of rest. *Philippians 2:22*

**12** Pray for each church planter and sending church pastor to be humble and authentic in his faith, not given to pride or hypocrisy. Pray that he will have pure motives and give God glory for every gain or victory. *Micah 6:8*

**13** Pray for each church planter and sending church pastor to make wise lifestyle choices in order to protect his health, especially in the areas of exercise, eating moderately, and getting sufficient rest. Pray for times of relaxation and renewal to balance the stress of ministry. *1 Corinthians 9:27*

**14** Pray for church planters and sending church pastors to focus on the Word of God and walk in the fear of the Lord—rather than fear of man—as he prepares his messages. Pray that he will seek to please God rather than men and pursue holiness rather than the praise of men. *2 Timothy 2:15*

**15** Praise God for the leadership of each church planter & pray that he will make godly decisions. Pray that he will lead his wife, family, & church plant w/a shepherd's heart & that he will always speak the truth in love. *1 Pet. 5:2*

**16** Pray for each church planter to be courageous in the pulpit in proclaiming Christ and confident in his use of the Word of God. Ask God to help him preach with insight, transparency, and humility. *Colossians 1:28*

**17 April Fore's birthday.** Pray for each church planter to be a "Great Commission man"—committed to personal evangelism and the equipping of the saints to seek the lost. Pray that he will have a heart to develop a thriving missions program in the church plant or replant. *Romans 10:15*

**18** Pray for each church planter to be a man of prayer and worship and that he will lead by example—teaching his family and the church family how to walk in a close relationship with the Father. *Mark 1:35*

**19** Pray for each church planter to use wise time management and that he will seek God's perspective for his schedule, guarding his time against unnecessary interruptions. *Ephesians 5:15-16*

**20** Pray for a fresh divine anointing on the ministry of each church planter and sending church pastor. Pray that God's working will be powerfully evident both in their personal lives and the spiritual life of the church family. *Romans 15:18*

**21 Ashley Watson's birthday.** Pray for each church planter to not give in to discouragement, but that he will deal with inevitable criticism and conflict by committing himself into the hands of God, who judges righteously. *1 Peter 2:23*

**22** Pray for each church planter to practice servant leadership, edifying the church plant with wisdom & serving with God's agape love. *Mark 10:43-33*

**23** Pray for spiritual unity in the church staff and among the spiritual leadership of the church (elders, deacons, etc.). Pray that the enemy will not be allowed to create divisions, strife, or misunderstanding among the church leaders or core team. *Romans 14:19*

**Southeast Region Church Plants:** "Brothers, pray for us." *1 Thess. 5:25*

1. Creston Thomas – Christ the Redeemer, Pine Bluff
2. Jeff Estes – TrueHope Church, Sheridan

**Southwest Region Church plants:**

1. Roderick Rogers – Fordyce Community Baptist Church
2. Vincent Stroud – New Covenant Fellowship, Fordyce
3. Donnell Ford – Full Faith Community Baptist, Magnolia
4. Billy Sheets – Oasis Church, Camden



**Northeast Region Church Plants:** "Brothers, pray for us." *1 Thess. 5:25*

1. Justin King – Delta Church, Blytheville
2. Nate Smith – New Harvest Community Church, Blytheville
3. Shane Fore – Maple Grove Main Street Campus, Trumann
4. Chance Watson – Drover Cowboy Church, Harrisburg
5. Anthony Banks – New Beginnings, Marion
6. Dustin Clegg – The Bridge, Wynne



**24** Ask God to give each church planter a clear, biblical vision of what the church can be and should be for His glory and that he will communicate that vision clearly and confidently with the church. *Proverbs 29:18*

**25** Pray for each church planter to seek God for personal revival and revival in the church plant, sending church, and community. *Psalms 69:32*

**26** Pray for each church planter to think biblically, with the mind of Christ. *Colossians 2:6-7*

**27** Pray for each church planter to earnestly seek God's will and be committed to instant and complete obedience—ready for God to work powerfully in and through his ministry. *Luke 9:23-24*

**28** Pray for each planter to strive for personal excellence and believe God for all He wants to do in the congregation. *Colossians 3:23-24*

**29** Pray for each planter to be a man of faith & have a passionate love for God, not giving in to worries, fears, or an uptight & anxious spirit. *Prov. 3:5*

**30** Ask God to provide for the financial needs of each church planter and his family. Pray that he will be a wise steward of both personal finances and church funds. *Philippians 4:19*

**31** Pray this blessing over each sending church pastor and church planter: "The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." *Numbers 6:24-26*

**Northwest Region Church plants:** "Brothers, pray for us." *1 Thess. 5:25*

1. Jon Smeltzer – Summit Bible Church, Summit
2. David Logan – Connection Church, Rogers
3. Donnie Grigg – Vertical Community Church, Fayetteville
4. Sam Means – Ignite 360, Fayetteville
5. Ryan Worley – Rooted Church, Fayetteville
6. Brad Branham – Hello Church, Russellville
7. Jacob Jones – Hope Church, Ozark
8. Jay Ham – Church in the Dirt, Russellville

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## October 2020 Prayer Calendar

### *Happy Pastor's Appreciation*

Join us as we celebrate **Pastor Appreciation Month** by praying for church planters and their sending church pastors.

**1** Pray for each church planter to love God with all his heart, soul, mind, and strength. Pray that God's Spirit will work in his heart in power and that he will value and follow biblical priorities. *Deuteronomy 6:5*

**2** Pray for church planters to cultivate strong character & uncompromising integrity. Pray for his testimony to be genuine and that he will never do anything that he would need to hide from others. *1 Timothy 1:5*

**3** Pray for each church planter's personal walk with God—that his soul and spirit will be nourished and strengthened in his quiet time with God, beyond his sermon preparation. Pray that he will spend more time in the Word of God than reading Christian books and articles. *2 Timothy 2:15*

**4** Pray for each church planter to counsel and teach with discernment through the wise use of Scripture and faith in God's power to work. Pray that he will be protected from the effects of sinful or negative attitudes that he encounters as he counsels. *James 1:5*

**5** Ask God to protect each church planter's marriage and keep it strong as a model of Christ's relationship with the Church. Pray that he will tenderly cherish and lead his wife and that she will respect and encourage her husband, submitting to his leadership. *Ephesians 5:25*

**6** Ask God to heal any hurts that church planters have suffered in the ministry. Pray that he will serve the Lord with gladness and encourage the congregation to worship God with a joyful, surrendered spirit. *Isaiah 61:3*

**Central Region Church Plants:** "Brothers, pray for us." *1 Thess. 5:25*

1. Jordan Bowen – Hillcrest Community Church, LR
2. Pranay Borde – Oasis Hindi Church, LR
3. Izah Broadus – New Faith Church, LR
4. Brad Curtis – Greater Purpose Fellowship, Greenbrier
5. Francisco Gomez – Iglesia Bautista El Centro de Discipulado, LR
6. PJ Noland – Collective Church, Bryant
7. Dave McClung – The Summit Church, Vilonia