

# Pray for Planters

**April**  **Church Planting** **2018**  
ARKANSAS BAPTISTS

**1** Today, Easter Sunday, rejoice that our Lord is risen from the dead! Pray that God will pour out His Spirit on our pastors today as they proclaim the gospel. Many like **Ricky Lattimore** of Tabernacle Baptist in Dermott will be hosting egg hunts and other special events to reach into their community.

**2** Pray for **Jeff Deckard** serving as pastor at Damascus Road Cowboy Church in Damascus, Arkansas. They are asking us to pray that God would help them to find a building specific to their needs. Also pray for them as they develop their leadership team.

**3** **John Michael Vance**, serving at The Refuge Community Church in Cabot, asks for prayer for this ministry to reach people in their community with the gospel. They are also praying for a sponsor / partner church.

**4** Pray that **Chester Witherspoon** and Tabernacle of God in Marion will be faithful witnesses in their community and a light that shines on a hill. Praise the Lord for the fruit they are seeing from the distribution of backpacks and their emphasis on sharing the gospel in door to door witnessing.

**5** **Rodney Rambo** is one of our church planters serving in Joplin, MO. Pray for him as a bi-vocational pastor, husband, and father that God will give him wisdom and encouragement to balance each of his responsibilities. Ask the Lord to add more people to Rooted Church who are ready to serve and give wisdom to this new church.

**6** **Mike Fitch** is serving at Life House Hope in Hope. Ask the Lord to help Mike, his family, and this church to lift up their eyes to heaven, seeking the Lord's directions and wisdom in all that they do. (See John 17:1)

**7** **Ninbollang Daniel** is the pastor at Marshallese Baptist in Fayetteville. Just as Jesus prayed that He would glorify the Father, let's pray that Daniel, his family, this church, and its leadership will glorify the Lord in all they say and do as they seek to reach their community with the gospel and see many people growing in their walk with the Lord. (John 17:1)

**8** **Steve Nelson**, one of our planters in Wynne, is pastor at Kingdom Gatherers. Ask the Lord to help Steve and the families of this church to be effective representatives of the Father to their community. Pray that this church would be about making Jesus and His name great. (See John 17:6)

**9** Praise the Lord for The Connection Church of Sherwood and their pastor **Tim Reed**. They are an example of one of our church plants that is planting another church and investing in others. Ask the Lord to continue to help them to keep His Word and give it to others.

**10** **Chad White** is pastor of Maverick Cowboy Church in El Dorado. Pray that he and the people in this church will know the truth and walk in that truth daily. Ask the Lord to give them boldness to share that truth in their community. (See John 17: 8)

**11.** **James Matthews** is an affiliate who is pastor of Zion Hill Missionary Baptist in Arkansas City. Ask the Lord to use this congregation to draw the lost to Christ. Pray that they will lift up Christ in all they say and do. (See John 17:9)

**12** Today pastors from all over the **Delta** are gathering for a special prayer meeting with Bill Elliff. Ask the Lord to work in an amazing way in and through this prayer gathering as He has chosen to do great things when His people pray.

**13** **Nate Smith** is serving at Greater New Philadelphia Baptist in Wilson. Pray for physical healing for Nate. Ask the Lord to bless this work and to keep Nate, his family, and this church faithful in representing Jesus to their community in their thoughts, words, and actions. ( Jn 17:11)

**14** **Second Baptist West Helena** will be hosting a block party in Holley Grove. This event is an outreach to this Delta community in preparation for an evangelistic crusade May 2-4. Ask God to give them favor in this community and to break down walls for people to respond to the gospel.

**15** The Karen language is spoken by people groups in Myanmar and Thailand. Green Forest Karen Baptist Church and their pastor **Ru Ga** are reaching this people group in Green Forest, Arkansas. Ask the Lord to help them to stay rooted in Christ and to guard them from the evil one as they make a gospel impact in this community. (John 17:12)

**16** **Elbert Harris** serves as pastor of Greater Faith Ministry Church in Pine Bluff. Pray that Pastor Elbert and this congregation will have the joy of Jesus in them as they reach into their community with the truth of the gospel. Ask the Lord to help them to walk in the joy-filled presence of Jesus and see God work among them. (John 17:13)

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**17** Pray for **Avelino Berroa** who is serving as the pastor of Iglesia Bautista Jehova Jireh in Springdale. Ask the Lord to help him and the people in this congregation to be strong in the Lord and to be in His Word so that they are ready to be a light in the place where God has placed them. (John 17:14)

**18** **Brain Olden**, one of our new affiliates, is pastor of New Jerusalem Christian Fellowship in Blytheville. Ask the Lord to protect Brian, his family, and this congregation from the evil one. Pray that they would live holy lives and make an impact for the gospel in their community. (John 17:15-16)

**19.** Today members of our church plants and affiliates all over the Delta will be participating in a **Delta Prayer Gathering** led by Bill Elliff. Ask for a special anointing on this time of prayer, that God would move, and we would see the beginnings of revival and spiritual awakening in our state.

**20** Yesterday and today, Neil Cole will be in Arkansas training our planters and affiliates at two **One Day** events. Ask the Lord to use this and other training opportunities to encourage and help our planters & pastors be more effective in seeing their communities reached with the gospel.

**21** **Carlos Lozano** is pastor of Hispanic Mission of Three Trees in Batesville. Pray that they will be full of God's love as they share the gospel. Carlos is also praying for wisdom as he leads the team that the Lord has given him. He is also asking for prayer for the health needs of his daughter, his sister, and his aging mother – that God will bring healing and strengthen them.

**22** **Lee Kemp**, pastor of Forefront Church in Fort Smith, is asking for spiritual wisdom & understanding as they continue to reach out to their local community. Pray that they will remain in prayer relying on His strength to move them forward. Pray for protection and guidance in the will of God for a family in their church who will begin a new ministry in an apartment complex there. Pray that they may proclaim the good news of Christ and patiently endure with Him rejoicing always no matter how great the struggle may be.

**23** Ask the Lord to continue to give **Roderick Rogers**, planter & pastor of Fordyce Community Church, wisdom to lead the people of this church. Pray that God will raise up leaders to help Roderick and his wife, Lena. They are especially burdened for reaching & teaching the young people in Fordyce. Ask the Lord to be their helper in all of this.

**24** **Joe Zuniga** is the pastor of Mision Hispana de la FBC in Dewitt. Ask the Lord to give them wisdom to live wisely in their community. Pray that Joe and the individual members of this church would be in the Word daily and live in such a way that those around them would be thirsty to know their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (See John 17:17)

**25** **Tyler Fox** is pastoring a new affiliation church, Life Fellowship in Jacksonville. Praise the Lord for this church family and ask God to help Tyler and the leadership of this church to be in the Word daily and that God would use His Word to help this church grow and reach others. (Jn. 17:17)

**26** **Brad Curtis** is planting Greater Purpose Fellowship in Greenbrier. Pray for him, his family, and this new church plant that God will send them out in His power to reach those who do not know Jesus in their community. (John 17:18)

**27** Praise the Lord for those who have been recently saved at Iglesia Bautista El Centro de Discipulado in Little Rock. The pastor, **Francisco Gomez**, and his wife Maria are asking us to pray for Miguel whose wife recently accepted Christ. They are thankful for the new relationships God is giving them. Pray that God will bring fruit from these. Also pray for a member of this fellowship who was recently diagnosed with cancer.

**28.** Today and tomorrow, church planters & affiliates from the **Metro Network** are coming together to host a block party in one of their communities. Ask the Lord to use this event to show His love and the power of the gospel to change lives for His glory and the growth of His kingdom.

**29** Pray for two of our bivocational pastors in West Helena. **Chris Horne** is serving at Zion Travelers Missionary Baptist. **Randy Williams** is pastoring Salem Missionary Baptist. Pray that God will strengthen both men as they balance work, family, and responsibilities in the churches they pastor. Pray that the people of West Helena would be drawn to the gospel because of the testimony of these and other churches in the Delta. (John 17: 21)

**30** **Lester Langston** is one of our affiliates who is pastor of Church of Open Arms in the Austin / Marmaduke community. Pray that Lester and this church family will be bold in making known the name of Jesus. Ask the Lord to help them to demonstrate the love of the Father to the people where they live. (John 17:26)

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