

Pray for Planters

August



2018

1 Jorden Bowen is one of our new church planters in downtown Little Rock. Today is his birthday. Pray that God will help him to balance his responsibilities and that the Lord would send them more persons of peace to build relationships with and share the gospel with.

2 Pray for **Jose Anzora** and his family as he shepherds and trains the people at Mision Bautista de North Park. Ask God to give them more opportunities and greater boldness to share the gospel with the Hispanic community in Van Buren.

3 Restoration Fellowship is the beginnings of a new church which seeks to offer the life-changing power of the gospel to ex-offenders. Ask the Lord to give **Joe Burton** strength to stay the course and continue to follow the Lord's will in this endeavor.

4 Today **Randy and Viola Williams** and Second Baptist Church of Salem will be hosting a block party in their community. Ask the Lord to meet every need for this day of ministry and to provide them a church van, a keyboard, and doors to renovate the church's bathrooms.

5 Pray for **B. T. and Vivian Cooper** serving at Spring Creek Community Baptist Church in Forrest City. Pray for his personal health, the church, and furniture for the church, a van for transportation, and teaching tools. Praise the Lord for the prayer ministry they have in their community.

6 Today is **Maurice Brister's** birthday. He and his wife LaDina are serving at Unity Bible Baptist in Little Rock. Ask the Lord to provide a baptismal pool and church van for them and to help them to follow up on those who came to VBS and their Back to School Block party the last week of July.

7 We have two planters celebrating special events today. It is **Brad Curtis's** birthday. He serves in Greenbrier at Greater Purpose. Also, it is **Jon Mark & Amanda Page's** anniversary. They are serving in at Connect Church in Arkadelphia. Pray for both planters – that the Lord would meet their needs, strengthen them, and encourage their hearts today.

8 Today is **Paula Deckard's** birthday. Pray for her and her husband Jeff as they serve at Damascus Road Cowboy Church in Clinton. Ask the Lord to help her be daily filled with His Spirit and abiding in Him as she and her husband share the love and hope of Christ in this community.

9 God continues to use block parties in our state to build bridges in reaching the lost with the gospel. Ask God to pour out His Spirit today on **Ricky and Judy Lattimore** and the members of Tabernacle Baptist Church as they host a block party today at McGehee Nursing Home. Ask the Lord for cooler temperatures, His provision and protection for everyone participating, and to save both adults and children.

10 Today is **Chester and Betty Witherspoon's** wedding anniversary. They are serving at Tabernacle of God in Marion. Also pray for **Derrick and Shavanda Herron** as they host a block party tomorrow in England, AR as an outreach of Community of Love Baptist Church. Pray for an outpouring of God's provision and protection on these two couples as they serve Him.

11 Pray for the **Hispanic Church Planting Retreat** which began yesterday and continues throughout today. Ask the Lord to use the speakers, time of fellowship, and time away to refresh and renew our Hispanic church planters like **Francisco Gomez** (Little Rock) and **Francisco Vazquez** (DeQueen/ Lockesburg).

12 Today is **Q Jackson's** birthday. Pray that the Lord would bless him and his wife Latonya as they are still in the beginning of planting Rose City Community Church. Ask God to give them an opportunity to establish a presence on the campus of Shorter College and for wisdom in this new work.

13 Pray for **Josh and Monica Griffin** who are serving at Breakout Church in Cabot. Ask the Lord to keep Josh and his family in the Word and in prayer – faithfully ministering to the people that God has called them to shepherd.

14 James Horton and his wife Jackie are serving in Marshall, AR at Northview Church. Pray for them as they desire to expand their children's and youth ministries – that God would provide the resources, people, and wisdom they need to reach families with the life-changing gospel.

15 Praise the Lord for City Church of Sherwood and the lives that have been changed through the ministry of this one-year old church plant. Pray for **Scotty and Alisha Howard** that God would continue to give them Spirit-filled wisdom and compassion in leading this church to glorify our Father. Also, be praying for a Community outreach with a city of Sherwood Pool Party.

Ways to pray for our planters and their families:

- *Daily personal time in the Word & in prayer
- *Faithfulness to the Lord and to their wives
- *God's wisdom in leading the church
- *God's favor with people in the community
- *Good physical, mental, & emotional health

- *Spirit-filled preaching of the Word
- *Personal financial needs
- *Godly spirit-filled leadership in their churches
- *Unity among the believers
- *Daily putting on the armor of God

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16 Today is **Anthony Bank's** birthday. He is serving in two church plants: Second Baptist Turrell and New Beginnings in the Lakeshore Community of Marion. Please be praying that God would comfort Anthony and his family in the recent loss of his sister. Also, pray for his family's health, the growth of these churches, and for the eight children that gave their lives to Christ during the month of June at New Beginnings.

17 **Donnie and Amy Grigg** are serving at Vertical Church in Fayetteville. Praise the Lord for the relationships God is giving Donnie among college students and other young adults. Also, continue to pray for their fourteen-year-old son Titus as he battles cancer.

18 Pray for **Chester and Betty Witherspoon** and Tabernacle of God Baptist Church in Marion as they host a block party to share the gospel in their community. Praise the Lord for how God used a mission team in June from Geyer Springs FBC to encourage this church plant and ask God to continue to use partnerships like this in His kingdom.

19 Today is the **Sunday before school starts back**, and many churches will be hosting events and praying for students and teachers at the beginning of a new school year. Pray that God will give the churches in our state wisdom to minister to our teachers, parents, and school age children and youth. Pray for God's protection over our teachers and students this year.

20 Pray for **Carlos and Elizabeth Lozano** and Hispanic Mission of Three Trees in Jonesboro – that this church would share the gospel and disciple believers. Also, ask the Lord to meet the health needs of the Lozano family.

21 **Todd and Martye Nelson** are serving at Freedom Biker Church in Jonesboro. Ask the Lord to help them to listen to Jesus and do what He says as they minister to the biker community there in Jonesboro.

22 Praise the Lord for Fordyce Community Church and Bearden Community Church and the impact these new churches are having in Fordyce and Bearden. Ask the Lord to continue to be with **Roderick and Lena Rogers** as he pastors these churches. Ask the Lord to provide them a drummer, someone to work with students, and other godly leaders.

23 Pray for **Doyoung Jung** and his wife Jung Sun Lee as they seek to minister to the Korean community in Northwest Arkansas at First Baptist Church Rogers, Olive Street Campus.

24 Tomorrow the **Cowboy Churches of Arkansas** are having their statewide conference. Ask the Lord to use the speakers, time of fellowship, & time away to refresh and renew our cowboy pastors & their wives, many of whom are bi-vocational.

25 Ask the Lord to bless **Charles Helms** and The Faith Church in Maumelle as they host a block party today. Also, pray for **John Spencer** who is celebrating his birthday today. John and Julie and their three children serve at Iglesia Betel in El Dorado. Ask the Lord to help them to daily listen to His voice and follow His direction as they seek to reach the lost in our state.

26 Today is **Betty Witherspoon's** birthday. (Tabernacle of God, Marion). Pray for her and other pastors' wives today that God will encourage their hearts and give them wisdom as they faithfully and humbly serve alongside their husbands.

27 Two of our planters are celebrating wedding anniversaries today: **Calvin and Shameka Frierson** (Second Baptist Marvell) and **Justin and Katie King** (Delta Church, Blytheville). Ask the Lord to protect and bless these couples and help them to model a Christ-exalting marriage.

28 Yesterday and today pastors and ministry leaders all over our state will be gathered in Little Rock for serious **prayer for revival and spiritual awakening**. Ask the Lord to move in a powerful way in these two days of prayer—renewing, refreshing, and equipping those in positions of spiritual leadership.

29 Pray for **Will and Cindy Vasser** who are serving at FBC Hoxie and planting Hope Church in that same community. Ask the Lord to fill them with His Spirit and give them daily strength to boldly share the gospel and see people disciplined and growing in the Lord.

30 Pray for **Hunter Thompson** as he serves as the pastor of Dallas Street Baptist Church. Join them in thanking the Lord for their new location and ask God to help them to reach the people there in Fort Smith with the gospel.

31 Today is **Patsy George's** birthday. She and her husband are helping with a work in Northeast Arkansas. Ask the Lord to give them discernment in understanding God's perfect will for the work there. Pray that God would send others to come alongside of them as they desire to see the people in this community being saved and disciplined in a local church.

"For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith – that you being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."—Ephesians 3:14-21