

Introduction

Welcome to Ten Days of Prayer 2013! God has worked thousands of miracles through the Ten Days of Prayer program since it began as Operation Global Rain in 2006. The Holy Spirit has wrought revival, conversions, renewed passion for evangelism, and healed relationships. Truly, prayer is the birthplace of revival!

We believe your life and the lives of those you pray for will be changed as you join your fellow church members in praying for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit:

“During the 10 days of prayer, I prayed for God to work in my sister’s heart. The other day, I got an e-mail saying my sister had been attending church every Sabbath. I praise God for what He has done!”

“The Operation Global Rain experience has been totally transforming. On day one, I was passive. By day two, I was on my knees!!”

“I have renewed my relationship with God and learned to depend upon His promises. I know He is God, and I have decided to invite the Holy Spirit into my daily walk.”

Our Prayer Theme: 2 Peter 1:1-11

During Ten Days of Prayer 2013, we will be praying through 2 Peter 1:1-11. This passage describes the foundation of our faith, the rungs in the ladder of character development, and the sure result as God works in us. “In the second letter addressed by Peter to those who had obtained ‘like precious faith’ with himself, the apostle sets forth the divine plan for the development of Christian character. . . . These words are full of instruction, and strike the keynote of victory” (*Acts of the Apostles*, pp. 529, 530).

“We may attain unto glory and virtue, though weak, sinful mortals, by learning daily lessons in the school of Christ, by becoming conformed to the divine image, by manifesting His excellency of character, by adding grace to grace, by climbing round by round the ladder heavenward, by becoming complete in the Beloved. *As we shall work upon the plan of addition, by faith adding grace to grace, God will work upon the plan of multiplication, and multiply His grace and peace unto us*” (*Peter’s Counsel to Parents*, p. 474).

Daily Intercession Focus

In addition to the daily theme from 2 Peter 1, there is a daily intercession focus chosen to reflect our personal and corporate church needs. This section also highlights the initiatives and mission emphases of our world church in 2013.

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Journal Page Explanation

Why Journal Our Prayers?

When we write our prayers we are following the example of David, Jeremiah, Daniel, and many others. They knew the value of remembering what God did in their lives, the importance of being specific in their prayer requests, and the joy of watching God answer. Writing out your own prayers and keeping a record of God's answers will be incredibly encouraging to you.

"I will remember the works of the LORD; Surely I will remember Your wonders of old. I will also meditate on all Your work, and talk of Your deeds" (Psalm 77:11, 12).

"They did not keep the covenant of God; they refused to walk in His law, and forgot His works and His wonders that He had shown them" (Psalm 78:10, 11).

"There is more encouragement to us in the least blessing which we receive ourselves than in reading biographical works relating to the faith and experience of noted men of God. The things we ourselves have experienced of the blessings of God through His gracious promises we may hang in memory's halls, and whether rich or poor, learned or illiterate, we may look and may consider these tokens of God's love. Every token of God's care and goodness and mercy should be hung as imperishable mementos in memory's halls" (*Our High Calling*, p. 135).

How to Use the Daily Journal Pages:

The daily journal page is a simple tool that will help you focus on adding grace to grace in your personal life and help you recognize God's multiplied grace in return. "Here is a course by which we may be assured that we shall never fall. *Those who are thus working upon the plan of addition in obtaining the Christian graces have the assurance that God will work upon the plan of multiplication in granting them the gifts of His Spirit*" (*Counsels for the Church*, p. 51).

During the prayer time each day, ask God to show you what grace you need to add to your life (look to the daily scriptures and prayer theme for inspiration). Then you can write a personal prayer/goal/affirmation to be attained that day by God's grace.

Example for Day 1: "Thank you, Father, for giving me everything I need to live a godly life today. I will seek to know You fully so that I can understand what You are doing in every circumstance that comes my way today."

Then, throughout the following 24 hours, you are encouraged to carry your theme sheet and journal page with you so you can write down every grace God blesses you with. You will see many as God opens your eyes to recognize His work in your life. You may also want to make notes on how God helps you in your efforts to add that day's grace to your life.

When your group gathers the next day, share your multiplied blessings during the praise part of the prayer. Remember to pray short, simple prayers of praise.

"It will revive faith and encourage hope in the hearts of God's people to recount his past dealings with them" (*Review and Herald*, March 19, 1895, par. 1).