

St. Timothy Parking Lot Prayer Walk/Drive

Pentecost 2020

PSALM 91:4-6- PROTECTION

Father we pray for a mighty protective and cleansing covering over our entire campus as we gather together to worship you in Spirit and in truth. We pray that even as cars drive across the entrance that there would be a supernatural cleansing that happens. That the virus would not come near us and that just as you passed over your people in Egypt because of the blood on their doorposts that you would cause all infection to pass over us in Jesus name. Father, we claim the protective covering and healing redemption of the blood of Jesus over our campus and all who enter.

ACTS 1:8- THE HOLY SPIRIT

Father, we ask that your Spirit would pour out on this campus on this Pentecost just as it did on Pentecost after Jesus was raised from the dead and ascended into heaven. Father, we know you are the same God today as you were in those days and it is the same Spirit that dwells within us. Father, we ask for the increase of your Spirit on your church and the mighty power that is from God alone through his Spirit alone. We ask for an anointing and an enabling for the turning of hearts to you for your glory and renown. Father, just as many came to Christ on that day we pray that many will come to you as we gather once more whether online or in person. We pray that your Word would be preached boldly and that we will see your awesome power at work. Father we ask for miracles, signs and wonders across the world that will bring you glory.

ISAIAH 56:7-HOUSE OF PRAYER

Father, you said your “house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.” (Isa 56:7) Father we pray that your house, both our bodies as the temple of the living God and the physical place where we gather would be called a house of prayer because we are a praying people. Father, forgive us when we do not come to you in prayer. Forgive our indifference to prayer and our lack of prayer. Father, would you make the people and the church body of St. Timothy a house of prayer. Ignite in us a desire to seek you in prayer. Help us to pray without ceasing, to pray in the Spirit on all occasions and not just in desperate times or when we need something from you. Father, teach us how to live a lifestyle of prayer and praise and adoration, and let our prayers bring glory to you. Let our prayers and the faith behind our prayers make your name and renown known across Northwest Houston and beyond. Let our prayers make a difference in our church, in our community, in our city, in our state and across the world because we are partnering with the Lord God Almighty. Father, as we walk and drive our campus today to pray over it, for its future as we reopen the doors, change our hearts to beat with yours in communing with our heavenly Father in prayer as Jesus did over and over again as he walked this earth. When he was far from you physically speaking he demonstrated exactly how to be near to you. Make that our hearts desire, to be near to you. “Draw near to God and he will draw near to you...” James 4:8

HEBREWS 10:25- ENCOURAGEMENT

Father, we pray Hebrews 10:19-25 “since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another- and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

Father, you made us for relationship, with you, with others, to be encouraged and to be accountable. The enemy loves to isolate like a lion hunting its prey so he can discourage us and tempt us, but you want us to gather in order that we may help one another and lift each other up in good times and in bad. Lord God, let this meeting together be a time of encouragement and spurring one another on as you have called us to do that we may continue to walk out the things you have called us to as we see the Day approaching.

2 Corinthians 7:10 REPENTANCE-

Father your word says that “Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow leads to death.” (2 Cor 7:10) Lord, show us the things we need to repent of. Let us not be stubborn and let us not live lives that are no different from the world. You have told us to be in the world but not of the world. Let us be aware of the way our sin breaks your heart and let it break ours in the same way that it might lead us to a Godly repentance. Father, that we would change our ways and grow deeper in our walk with you. Our desire it to see revival across our land and across the world but it starts in each one of us. “Create in (us) a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within (us).” (Psalm 51:10) Bring about repentant hearts that many would come to know you and many would come back into relationship with you or renewed relationship with you. Give us ears to hear, eyes to see and hearts that are willing to change.

HEBREWS 13:17 - STAFF

Father, we thank you for the staff you have given us. We pray an extra measure of blessing, peace and rest on them as they have been working tirelessly to get us back into meeting together in the safest way possible. We pray that they would “not grow weary of doing good, for in due season (they) will reap, if (they) do not give up.” Gal 6:9. We praise you God for the things you put into order long before this pandemic came about, in order that we might be able to continue worshipping with one another online. Father, thank you that we have been able to not only reach our church body, but people across the world who may have never entered a church before. We thank you that you, in your omniscience, prepared us for what we did not know was coming while we were planning for other things and you brought the right people to us at the right time.

Father, we pray for grace for the staff and elders and deacons as protocols are followed and people are made to feel welcomed but also safe. We pray for things to run smoothly and all anxiety and worry to leave in the name of Jesus. We pray that we as a church body would “obey (our) leaders and submit to their authority. That we would “Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden.” (Heb 13:17). We pray that you will make their paths straight as they trust in you with all their heart. (Prov. 3:5) Father, we pray against any

negative talk, complaining or grumbling amongst the church body. We pray that the words out of the mouths of your people would be that of encouragement and gratitude for the work that has continued on as we have all been away. Father, we praise you for a team of people that love you and follow after you and seek to honor and glorify you with their lives. We pray for your protection over them and their families as they continue to lead this ministry.

Acts 5: 16 HEALING

Father, we thank you that you are Jehovah Rapha, our healer. All who came to you as you walked this earth were healed. Father, we thank you that you are an unchanging God. Father, we thank you that you are still our healer today and you still do the miraculous. We pray that just as your healing poured out in Acts chapter 5 to the sick and the tormented that you would once more heal many in the name of Jesus for your glory and your name. We thank you for the miracles you have already been doing in the last couple of months and for what you are going to continue to do. We pray for the faith to believe that all things are possible for him who believes and we pray for lives to be changed. We pray for the sick and hurting even in these moments. We pray that your hand would be upon them and that your word would go forth and change circumstances and bring about complete turnaround in Jesus name. We thank you that your word says by your wounds we are healed. So Father we pray that cancer would cease in Jesus name, that Covid would be struck down in Jesus name and that the sick would be made well in Jesus name. We pray for the deliverance of those who have been tormented by mental illnesses. We pray for a sound mind and a renewed mind in Jesus name and by his life-giving blood. We pray for a release of new cures and treatments and supernatural knowledge for those in the medical field to make strides like never before. And we thank you for all of the men and women who have so sacrificially served the medical needs of the world over these last months and we pray your blessings over them. Thank you for the healing you are bringing in our lives and in our land in these days.

Malachi 4:6 FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

Father, we thank you that you created families for relationship, love and companionship. Thank you for a picture of how you look at us as your children, as your sons and daughters, as your heirs and joint heirs with Jesus. Father, we pray for families in our church and in our world. We pray that where there is brokenness you would bring healing in Jesus name. Where there is unforgiveness you would bring humility and forgiveness in Jesus name. Where there is anger and bitterness and records of wrongs that you would bring peace and mercy and restoration. Father, where there is hopelessness that you would shine your light of hope. Father, we pray for fractures to be healed in Jesus name. We pray that you “will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers” (Mal 4:6) Father, we pray for the prodigals to return home and fathers to be waiting in anticipation and expectation with open arms. We pray for marriages to be reunited and revived in Jesus name. Father, we speak against the attacks and lies of the enemy on the family unit and we claim the power and protection and name of Jesus over each family and say that “Nothing will be impossible for God.” (Luke 1:37) Father, let us stake a claim over our families for the glory of God in Jesus name. Father we pray your protection over every marriage and every family unit. We pray that we would be grounded in you and in your word so that we are able to persevere in the trials. And we pray for our hearts to be a reflection of your heart, one that lays aside self and serves and loves others. Father, fill us with your love for one another, with a love that can only come from you.

Matthew 6:26 JOBS & PROVISION

Father God you are Jehovah Jireh, the God who provides. In these times of job loss and uncertain economic times let us be reminded that you are our provider and you are sitting on your throne. For the Israelites in the desert, for the 5,000 that came to hear you preach and for the birds of the air and the lilies of the fields you provided. Father you tell us "Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?" (Matthew 6:26) Lord, let us rest in your loving arms and trust that you will provide all that we need and even more so. Help us to seek first your kingdom and you say "all these things will be given to you as well." (Matt 6:33) Let our eyes be fixed on you to know and trust that you are with us and you are working things out in our lives and the lives of those around us when we are seeking after you. Father, let us live generously and give to those in need. Let us not forget that all we have comes from you and let us have hearts of thankfulness and hearts of generosity to help where help is needed. Thank you for providing for our needs and the church's needs in these times and continuing to do so. Give us hearts of faith.

1 Thess 5:16-18 WORSHIP AND JOY

Father God, there is great joy in knowing you and being redeemed by you. Father, help us to "be joyful always, pray continually and give thanks in all circumstances." (1 Thess 5:16-18) It is so easy to look around us at the things happening in our lives and the lives of those around us and get discouraged or lose hope but our hope is in you, Father. You are the same God yesterday, today and always and you have given up all just for us. Let us continually find joy in your sacrifice that has saved us and in who you are. Let us not stop singing your praise but be a people who delight in bringing you praise, especially in the tough seasons because we know you love us and you never leave us. Father, let our lives be a testimony of the grace and love of Jesus Christ and continually point others to you. Forgive us where we have given the praise you deserve to other things in our lives. Father, turn our hearts toward you and let us give you all glory, honor and praise because you alone are Holy, Righteous and True! Father, we love you and we rejoice that we have the freedom to worship you in spirit and truth and we do not have to hide our faith. Father, continue to bless us with the freedom in this country to gather together and worship and let our joy be overflowing as we gather together because of your Spirit living inside of us.

We praise you and love you. In Jesus' mighty name we pray. Amen.