



PRAYER THEMES FOR 2023

No.	Month	Theme	Prayer	Scripture references
1.	January 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Love 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We pray that we will live and work according to the royal Law of love – to love others as we love ourselves and having the hope leading to endurance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> James 2:8 If indeed you (really) fulfill the royal Law in accordance with the Scripture, You shall love your neighbour as (you love) yourself, you do well. Rom. 13:8 Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbour (who practices loving others) has fulfilled the Law (relating to one's fellowmen, meeting all its requirements). 1 Corinthians 13:7 Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything (without weakening).
2.	February 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We pray that God will fill us with joy and peace so that we may bubble over with hope and gladness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rom. 15: 13 May the God of your hope so fill you with all joy and peace in believing (through the experience of your faith) that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound and be overflowing (bubbling over) with hope. 1 The 5:16 Be happy (in your faith) and rejoice and be glad-hearted continually (always).
3.	March 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We pray that we will be ambassadors of peace – both makers and maintainers of peace and live from God's peace. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rom. 12: 18 If possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Matt. 5:9 Blessed (enjoying enviable happiness, spiritually prosperous – with life-joy and satisfaction in God's favor and salvation, regardless of their outward conditions) are the makers and maintainers of peace, for they shall be called the sons of God!

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jam. 3:18 And the harvest of righteousness (of conformity to God's will in thought and deed) is (fruit of the seed) sown in peace by those who work for and make peace (in themselves and in others, that peace which means concord, agreement, and harmony between individuals, with undisturbedness, in a peaceful mind free from fears and agitating passions and moral conflicts). • Col. 3:15 And let the peace (soul harmony which comes) from Christ rule (act as umpire continually) in your hearts (deciding and settling with finality all questions that arise in your minds, in that peaceful state) to which as (members of Christ's) one body you were also called (to live). And be thankful (appreciative), (giving praise to God always).
4.	April 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We aim to develop patience and steadfastness through knowledge of God's Word and self-control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Pe. 1:6 And in (exercising) knowledge (develop) self-control, and in (exercising) self-control (develop) steadfastness (patience, endurance), and in (exercising) steadfastness (develop) godliness (piety). • Jam. 5:7 So be patient brethren, (as you wait) till the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits expectantly
5.	May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kindness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray that we will be helpful and kind with speech that displays the law of kindness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eph. 4:32 And become useful and helpful and kind to one another, tenderhearted (compassionate, understanding, loving-hearted), forgiving one another (readily and freely), as God in Christ forgave you. • Pro. 31:26 She opens her mouth in skillful and godly Wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness (giving counsel and instruction).

6.	June 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goodness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray for godly Wisdom that will enable us to show forth God's goodness in our actions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jam. 3:17 But the wisdom from above is first of all pure (undefiled); then it is peace-loving, courteous (considerate, gentle). (It is willing to) yield to reason, full of compassion and good fruits; it is wholehearted and straightforward, impartial and unfeigned (free from doubts, wavering, and insincerity). • Pro. 31:29 Many daughters have done virtuously, nobly, and well (with the strength of character that is steadfast in goodness), but you excel them all..
7.	July 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faithfulness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We praise God for Christ's faithfulness and pray that we will remain faithful in serving Him. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 The 5:24 Faithful is He Who is calling you (to Himself) and utterly trustworthy, and He will also do it (fulfill His call by hallowing and keeping you). • Matt. 25:21 His master said to Him, Well done, you upright (honorable, admirable) and faithful servant! You have been faithful and trustworthy over a little; I will put you in charge of much. Enter into and share the joy (the delight, the blessedness) which you master enjoys.
8.	August 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We aim to learn from Christ to walk in humility and in dependence on Him, adjusting ourselves to the tasks that Christ see as important. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phil 2:5 Let the same attitude and purpose and (humble) mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus: (Let Him be your example in humility). • Rom 12:16 Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty (snobbish, high-minded, exclusive), but readily adjust yourself to (people, things) and give yourselves to humble tasks. Never overestimate yourself or be wise in your own conceits. • Jam. 4:10 Humble yourselves (feeling very insignificant) in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you (He will lift you up and make your lives significant).

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eph. 4:2 Living as becomes you with complete lowliness of mind (humility) and meekness (unselfishness), with patience, bearing with one another and making allowances because you love one another.
9.	September 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obedience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We aim to show the true love of God through obedience. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 John 5:2-3 By this we come to know (recognize and understand) that we love the children of God; when we love God and obey His commands (orders, charges) – (when we keep His ordinances and are mindful of His precepts and His teaching). For the true love of God is this: that we do His commands (keep His ordinances and are mindful of His precepts and teaching). And these orders of His are no irksome (burdensome, oppressive, or grievous).
10.	October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gentleness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray that we will put on behaviour marked by gentleness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Col. 3:12 Clothe yourselves therefore, as God's own chosen ones (His own picked representatives), (who are) purified and holy and well-beloved (by God Himself, by putting on behaviour marked by) tenderhearted pity and mercy, kind feeling, a lowly opinion of yourselves, gentle ways, (and) patience (which is tireless and long-suffering, and has the power to endure whatever comes, with good temper). • Col. 3:13 Be gentle and forbearing with one another and, if one has a difference (a grievance or complaint) against another, readily pardoning each other; even as the Lord has (freely) forgiven you, so must you also (forgive).
11.	November 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zeal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray that we will be aglow with the Spirit, serving 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rom. 12:11 Never lag in zeal and in earnest endeavor; be aglow and burning with the Spirit,

			the Lord with zeal and earnest endeavour.	serving the Lord.
12.	December 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maturity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray that we will endure through all circumstances to develop maturity of character (faith and integrity) with joyful hope of eternal salvation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rom. 5:4 And endurance (fortitude) develop maturity of character (approved faith and tried integrity). And character (of this sort) produces (the habit of) joyful and confident hope of eternal salvation.

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