

Prayer points for Session, the search team, the candidates, and the congregation

Wisdom and Guidance

- James 1:5 – “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.”
- Proverbs 3:5-6 – “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.”
- Colossians 1:9 – “For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives.”
- Psalm 119:66 – “Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.”
- Psalm 32:8 – “I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.”

Strength and Encouragement

- Isaiah 40:31 – “But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”
- 2 Corinthians 4:16 – “Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.”
- Psalm 46:1 – “God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.”
- Nehemiah 8:10 – “Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.”
- Colossians 3:15 – “Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.”

Harmony and Unified Purpose:

- “So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.” — Romans 12:5
- “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.” — Proverbs 3:5

Protection from Spiritual Attacks

- Ephesians 6:11 – “Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”
- 2 Thessalonians 3:3 – “But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.”
- Psalm 91:1-2 – “Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.”
- Joshua 1:9 – “Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

Gratitude and excitement for New Beginnings:

- Isaiah 43:19 – “See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?”

Boldness in Sharing the Gospel

- 2 Timothy 4:2 – “Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.”
- Acts 4:29 – “Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.”
- Ephesians 6:19-20 – “Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel.”

Integrity and Moral Purity

- 1 Timothy 3:2 – “Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach.”
- Psalm 101:3 – “I will not look with approval on anything that is vile; I hate what faithless people do; I will have no part in it.”
- Titus 2:7-8 – “In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness.”

Faithfulness to God’s Call

- 1 Corinthians 15:58 – “Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you.”
- 2 Timothy 2:15 – “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved.”
- Revelation 3:8 – “I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut.”