



**“LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY...” FOR YOUR CHURCH**

**Prayer Guide for  
NOVEMBER 4 & 7, 2018**

**I. ADORATION AND PRAISE**

“While petition exhausts, praise invigorates...*praising energizes...*”(J.I. Packer, page 69)

“Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.” Psalm 145:3 (ESV)

**Praise Him for He is:**

Accessible	Glory	Impartial	Jealous	Omnipotent	Preserver
Creator	Good	Immutable	Just	Omnipresent	Provider
Eternal	Gracious	Incomprehensible	Long-Suffering	Omniscient	Righteous
Faithful	Guide	Infinite	Love	Perfect	Savior
Father	Holy	Invisible	Merciful	Person	Sovereign
					Wise

(From *Praying the Attributes of God, A Guide to Personal Worship through Prayer* by Rosemary Jensen)

**II. CONFESSION—SILENT**

“If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.” Psalm 66:18 (ESV)

**Admit your sin and seek his pardon using:**

“Search me O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way!” Psalm 139:23-24 (ESV)

“If we confess our sin, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sin and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9 (ESV)

**III. THANKSGIVING**

“Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!” Psalm 100:4 (ESV)

**Behold some of God’s spiritual riches and respond with prayers of thanksgiving:**

Church	Friends	Heaven	Love	Protection
Family	God’s Word	Hope	Mercy	Provisions
Fellowship	Grace	Jesus	Peace	Redemption
Forgiveness	Guidance	Joy	Prayer	Wisdom

“Heaven will be an experience of togetherness, closer and more joyous than any we have known so far, whether with our God or with our fellow-believers.” (J.I. Packer, page 67)

### III. SUPPLICATIONS

*"Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:10 (ESV)*

"Here more clearly than anywhere the purpose of prayer becomes plain: not to make God do my will (which is practicing magic), but to bring my will into line with his will (which is what it means to practice true religion). (J. I. Packer, pages 57-58)

### PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Pray for wisdom, insight and discernment for our church staff during this time of transition at Millbrook Baptist Church. Pray that they will continue in harmony with each other and with those who directly serve with them in specific ministry areas. Pray that God would give them courage and stamina during a time of high stress when the enemy often attacks.

2. Pray that the Church Council will follow God's leadership as they progress toward acquiring a Transitional Pastor for Millbrook Baptist Church. Pray for guidance in finalizing details of a Covenant Agreement to be used with a Transitional Pastor and in discerning the appropriate timing for each step of the process.

3. Pray that God will penetrate each of our hearts and show us how we, as God's people, can contribute to ever-increasing unity and harmony in His church at Millbrook.

"As Lord of creation, ruling in heaven, i.e., in freedom from limitations of space-time creaturehood here on earth, God can be relied on to fulfill his intention perfectly. ... it is God's glory to succeed in all that he has set himself to do, however hard."(J. I. Packer, pages 65-66)

*"Is anything too hard for the Lord?" Genesis 18:14a (ESV)*

### Six Simple Guidelines for Corporate Prayer Time

These simple guidelines are meant to serve as tools to help our meetings for prayer get started, encourage newcomers, and motivate the more timid to pray aloud.

1. **Small groups - 6-8 per group**
2. **Specific requests - see the list provided**
3. **Short prayers - secret of the success of small group prayer**
4. **Subject by subject - pray in one accord, one subject at a time**
5. **Simple prayers - keep it simple**
6. **Silent periods - gives time for those who are more timid to participate**

