

Neighborhood Walk Weekend – Prayer Guide

Before you walk: Begin with a prayer for yourself. Ask God to help you see your neighborhood the way he does.

As you walk: Pray what you see. Try looking around your neighborhood with fresh eyes. You may pray silently or aloud. If you are walking with others, stop periodically to gather and pray. If you are comfortable doing so, take turns praying out loud. You may each see different things, and their eyes will open yours. Listen for God to prompt and guide you as you walk.

Pray what you see:

1. Pray for People:

- Pray for people by name—there's power in calling someone by name. Pray specifically for the neighbors you know.
- Pray for those you do not know – pray not just for them but for you to be a welcoming presence in your neighborhood and have an opportunity to get to know those you have yet to form a relationship with.
 - Pray for relationships in your neighborhood – pray that there be a spirit of unity and community among your neighbors.
 - Pray for the people you may encounter. Be bold and tell them what you are doing. Ask them if you can pray for them in any specific way.

2. Pray for the homes you see.

- You may see toys or other signs of children. Pray for the young children in the home and the parents caring for those children.
- You may notice tall grass or other signs of neglect. Instead of being aggravated. Pray for the needs of that family. Perhaps it's an aging couple or single parent struggling to maintain their home.
- You may see for-sale signs or empty homes. Pray for quick sales and relief of financial burdens. Ask God to fill those homes with people whom you can impact.
- Be open to allowing God to help you see those homes in your neighborhood in a new way.

3. Pray for your neighborhoods' businesses, schools, and other organizations.

- Ask God to make the organizations in your neighborhood strong and fruitful so they serve their community well and not increase strife or interruption.
- Pray for the places where people gather so that all would feel welcome.

4. Pray Scripture.

- When you're at a loss for words, God's Word can always fill the gap. Use a smartphone, a small pocket Bible, or some of the suggested scriptures provided below.

5. Be open to hearing God speak.

- When you ask God to intercede on behalf of others, he just might include you in His plans. When you become aware of the needs around you, it becomes hard to ignore them. Ask God to help you recognize His promptings.

6. Ask God to move.

- Ask God to give you opportunities to invite those who do not know Jesus or do not have a regular place of worship to attend church with you.
- Invite those unlikely to attend a church service to watch a live stream service with you or a previous message that struck a chord with you.
- Pray that Pathfinder Church is a welcoming place for all who enter our facilities or view a service online.
- Pray that every person would be engaged by the services and messages and moved closer toward fullness by the work of the Holy Spirit.

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Use these verses to pray God's promises over the people of your neighborhood...

Isaiah 41:13 - For I am the LORD your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Isaiah 54:10 - Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

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.

James 4:7 - Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

1 John 1:9 - If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

2 Chronicles 7:14 - if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Joshua 1:9 - Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Philippians 4:19 - And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

Psalms 23:4 - Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalms 34:17 - The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.

Psalms 50:15 - and call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."

Proverbs 22:6 - Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Romans 8:28 - And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Philippians 4:6-7 - Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 6:31-33 - So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.