

5. Pray for your Church

For Your Pastor(s) and their family:

Pray for the pastors God has raised up to shepherd your church.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So, there will be one flock, One Shepherd. John 10:14-16

Church Leadership and Staff:

Pray that the leadership of your church will be dedicated to following the Good Shepherd into the harvest field.

Congregation:

Pray that every person in your church will hear Jesus saying to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20.

Outreach:

Ask the Lord of the Harvest to draw our hearts to the individuals He is calling. Pray through Matthew 18:12-14. Father make my heart like Yours – unwilling that any should perish!

Be praying for 3 specific needs in your church:

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Whatcom Prayer Strategy

May-June 2020

1. Worship

When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a Shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." Matthew 9:36-38

Thank You Lord for showing compassion to our church – Your Bride! (List here 3 ways that Jesus is showing compassion in the middle of this world-wide pandemic – locally, in our county, in the world.)

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2. Pray for Yourself

- Thank the Good Shepherd for the high privilege of being a sheep in Your Flock, a sheep who knows Him and is known by Him.
- Thank Jesus for laying down His life for you on the cross so that you would not perish but have eternal life.
- Commit to serving the good Shepherd and to help Him find lost sheep to bring into His fold.

3. Pray for Your Family & Friends

Intercede for other sheep who are not now in His care, that they may hear His voice and become part of His One flock. Pray through Galatians 1:15-16, that each person would have spiritual ears to hear Jesus calling them by His grace! (pray w/ their names)

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4. Strategic prayers for Whatcom County

These prayer targets were compiled by leaders of LOWPC's strategic teams.

Arts & Media:

- Digital follow-up of those who accept Christ on-line
- New Believers will be protected from false teaching on the web
- Pray for God's wisdom and favor with worship teams and those on-line to be worshipping in Spirit and Truth even though on a screen.

Business:

- Pray for renters and owners as they both are under lots of financial stress as rent and bills are due during shut-down,
- Pray for small local business owners to be able to survive and adjust anything God is asking them to change
- Pray for Christian business owners to have the courage to love employees and their community in ways that may be financially painful.

Church:

- Pray for more awareness, union, saturation, dependence and empowering of the person of the Holy Spirit in our churches at every level of ministry! (Pentecost)
- Pray for every member of the church to be engaged in sharing their faith and creative ways. (Go2020)

Development (Social Services):

- Pray for wisdom to see how we can partner (body of Christ) as we all discern together what it means to be on local mission during COVID-19.
- Pray for summer camps to be open as a safe place for kids
- Very difficult for all the organizations that offer services to kids through schools to be able to connect needs to services right now.

Education: (2 Chronicles 20:15)

- Pray for parent/teen relationships as screen time and the scourge of porn/social media increase divisive pressure.
- Pray for teachers and students as they learn how to do distance teaching/learning. Pray for parents to monitor content and progress.
- Pray that parents have balance in the home trying to have a family devotion/prayer, watch the news, do their work, how to express stress in a godly manner.

- Pray for campus ministers – still reaching out to students at a time when a biblical outlook is so necessary. Pray also for the international students who were not able to go home and are here without family support. Pray Christian friends will share their faith with boldness and great love.

Family:

- 40 days of prayer for Life – the ending of abortion in Whatcom County was the most violent in our history
 - Pray for those who experience deep anger from the deep brokenness in our society and/or the shame of personal experiences.
 - Pray the Father will show His Church how to show the love of Christ in the place of this anger and shame
- Families are under lots of stress right now
 - Working and homeschooling at home, \$ challenges, 14+ hour days
 - Domestic violence is up 30%, Porn is up 30%
- Pray for protection over families, esp. children from harm and stress

Government:

- Pray against Government over-reach during the COVID-19 crisis
- Pray for a cooperative spirit between the federal and state governments with regard to re-opening of the economy, and the levels of restriction on public gatherings
- Pray for the voices of godly wisdom to be bold and clear in this time of deception at both the governmental and media levels.

Health:

- Supernatural wisdom and protection for medical personnel
- Many staff at health care facilities have lost their jobs, financial and emotional crisis
- Pray for supply lines for PPE and medications

International Missions:

- Wisdom to know how to minister in these times, what risks to take, what to continue doing and what to change – in all political and economic systems.
- Worldwide outreach projects to pray about include: house to house evangelism, cell and radio towers installation and maintenance, internet evangelism, unity among believers through many worship traditions, perseverance and endurance in the face of persecution.

For more resources or to get more involved, please visit our website: www.lowpc.org