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Jesus Christ began building His Church 2,000 years ago. He's still building it today. And guess what. He's using you and me to do it.

Because of Christ, because of the Holy Spirit's presence within us, we have no ordinary encounters. Everywhere we go, Christ is there on display in our every interaction. Every meeting is an opportunity to convey His love or communicate His truth. Who is adequate for such a thing?

*Not that we are adequate in ourselves to consider anything as coming from ourselves, but our adequacy is from God, who also made us adequate as servants of a new covenant (that is, a "new testament"), not of the letter, but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. –2 Corinthians 3:5-6*

That's why we train. We spend regular time with God to be used by Him to give life. We take in God's Word and breathe out our requests to the Father every day to gain a greater understanding of God and a deeper reliance on Him. But more importantly, spending time with God gives Him a little more of us, so we can be more useful to Him.

Useful in a life-changing, church-building kind of way.

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#### Prayer for ...

- **Northpoint:** May God give our leaders power for ministry, protection from sin, and growth in His grace.
- **Local Outreach:** Relay for Life
- **Missions:** Peter and Melanie Morris, (EFCA Reach Global): *Costa Rica*

#### Need to pray with someone?

It is our privilege to pray for you personally. Share your prayer requests

- By email at [prayer@northpointcorona.org](mailto:prayer@northpointcorona.org)
- By phone, at 951.734.1335
- On a Response Card in the pew during the worship service

Prayer Team members are available after every worship service.



# prayer *life!*

## Bible Reading Plan and Prayer Guide

**(Year TWO) May 2018**

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*According to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but that with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain. –Philippians 1:20-21*

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#### Our Mission

There's more to spending time with God than getting spiritually fit. Jesus' triumph over sin on the cross and over death at the resurrection are historical facts with present-day implications. Christ saved us for a purpose. We are called to a mission.

Each day, we access God's truth through His Word and His power through prayer, so that God can equip us to follow His will and accomplish His purpose. With Paul, we boldly exalt Christ through ...

- **Loving Action:** Showing the compassion of Christ by ministering to the needs of others
- **Gospel Witness:** Informing others of their need of salvation, which is available through Christ alone
- **Intentional Discipleship:** Equipping others to grow in Christ through Bible study, prayer, and ministry
- **Transformed Relationships:** Demonstrating Christ's character in our love for family, church, and community
- **Kingdom Aspiration:** Giving our lives to Christ; dedicating all we are, have, and do to accomplish God's work on earth

Feel inadequate for all this? Well ... we are. That's why God sent the Holy Spirit to live inside us. The Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost, which we celebrate this month. The Spirit's filling transformed the disciples from frightened, confused deniers into bold, confident proclaimers. The world is no longer the same.

# Reading and Prayer Schedule (Year TWO)

May 2018

<b>Sunday:</b> Church & Ministry	<b>Monday:</b> Home & Family	<b>Tuesday:</b> School or Job	<b>Wednesday:</b> Neighbors & Community	<b>Thursday:</b> Nation	<b>Friday:</b> World & Kingdom	<b>Saturday:</b> Praise for God's Blessings
<i>His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ...</i>		<b>1) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 18 <i>Pray for ...</i> Leaders, coworkers and friends at work. Pray that they will know Christ & His love. Ask for opportunities to show it to them.	<b>2) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 19 <i>Pray for ...</i> The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our church so we can reach the lost of our community. Pray that our neighbors will be on our hearts.	<b>3) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 20 <i>Ask God to ...</i> "Hear us, forgive us, and heal us, for His Great name's sake" (Daniel 9:19), as we call on Him during this National Day of Prayer.	<b>4) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 21 <i>Pray for ...</i> The strength & effectiveness of the Church in India & Sri Lanka. Seek God's protection for Christians and the growth of the Church.	<b>5) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 22 <i>Rejoice!</i> All things are in God's control, and nothing happens that God's love & wisdom don't consider, approve, & work together for good.
<b>6) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 22 <i>Pray for ...</i> Josh Figueroa: (Piano Accompanist). Pray for a heart of worship, so the quality of his work exalts Christ and leads us to do the same.	<b>7) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 23 <i>Pray for ...</i> Your in-laws or families of your friends. May the Holy Spirit form Christ-like character into each person.	<b>8) Read:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 24 <i>Pray for ...</i> Those you serve where you work or your teachers at school. May God bless them with every spiritual blessing in Christ.	<b>9) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1 <i>Pray for ...</i> Northpoint Church to thrive by leading people in Corona to Christ. May we show Christ's love in word and deed.	<b>10) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 2 <i>Pray for ...</i> Godly influences in the businesses of America. May integrity and Christian truth dominate their motives, methods, and actions.	<b>11) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 3 <i>Pray for ...</i> The physical, spiritual, & emotional safety of our troops, especially those from our church. Seek a positive outcome to the war on terror.	<b>12) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 4 <i>Thank God for ...</i> The many laborsaving devices that make life so much easier & enjoyable for you. Ask God to lift up the name of Jesus Christ on the internet.
<b>13) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 5 <i>Pray for ...</i> <i>Carolee Jefferson: Ministry Assistant, Students.</i> Ask God for wisdom in her ministry, so God will use her to touch lives, so that they grow.	<b>14) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 6 <i>Pray for ...</i> Faith, love, holiness, and joy to define your family's relationships within and without.	<b>15) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 7 <i>Pray for ...</i> Opportunities to express God's love for those you serve through your job.	<b>16) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 8 <i>Pray for ...</i> Christ to be exalted in Home Gardens: May many people in that part of Corona come to know Jesus as Savior and Lord.	<b>17) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9 <i>Pray for ...</i> Confess our sin as a nation that has rejected God's rule over us. Ask God to turn America's heart to honor Him & our wills to obey Him.	<b>18) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 10 <i>Pray for ...</i> God's Word to infiltrate & influence Russia & the former Soviet states. May the true Church be strong and influence society.	<b>19) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11 <i>Praise God for ...</i> The beauty of God's creation and His goodness to you. The beauty of our world reveals the beauty of our God and Creator
<b>20) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 12 <i>Pray for ...</i> <i>Amber McEwen: Ministry Assistant, Adults.</i> May Christ reveal His transforming grace in her interactions with others.	<b>21) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13 <i>Pray for ...</i> Your parents and brothers and sisters. May God hold them close, reveal Himself to them, and keep them in His will.	<b>22) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 14 <i>Pray for ...</i> God's provision for those who have no job. Ask for trust and absolute peace to flow from Him into their hearts.	<b>23) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15 <i>Pray for ...</i> The graduates of our community: Pray for their salvation through Christ & His guidance in their lives.	<b>24) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians 16 <i>Pray for ...</i> Humble leadership, who will put God's will and the good of the people above personal ambition.	<b>25) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 1 <i>Pray for ...</i> The Gospel to spread in the Middle East, transforming hearts & turning people to Christ. Ask God to protect His children in Muslim lands.	<b>26) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 2 <i>Praise God for ...</i> His daily provision, and for bringing you the good news of salvation. Notice His spiritual & physical blessings and bless His name.
<b>27) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 3 <i>Pray for ...</i> Taylor Mendoza, Interim Director of Student Ministries, to devote himself entirely to the Ministry of God's Word and to prayer (Acts 6:4).	<b>28) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 4 <i>Pray for ...</i> <i>Your cousins.</i> May holiness, love, & joy define your relationships with them.	<b>29) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 5 <i>Pray for ...</i> The needs and concerns of individuals you are aware of at school or work.	<b>30) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 6 <i>Pray for ...</i> God's wisdom and justice to rule in the courts of our community.	<b>31) Read:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings 7 <i>Pray for ...</i> God's superintendence over the Supreme Court, so they honor God & our Constitution in their decisions.	<i>... by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. -2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 1:3-4</i>	