



Pleasing God by Growing Praying Disciples in Your Church or Ministry

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Pastors, Ministry and Prayer Leaders:

As you plan for the new year, Prayer Assist (<https://prayerassist.org/>) has new resources to serve you and you plan for ministry in 2023. Here is the question we are asking ourselves and our ministry partners in 2023:

What Will We Do To Restore His God's House To Being The "House of Prayer" That Jesus Is Looking For?

"Then he taught them by saying, 'Scripture says, 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations,' but you have turned it into a gathering place for thieves.'"

Mark 11:17 God's Word Translation

History Tell Us:

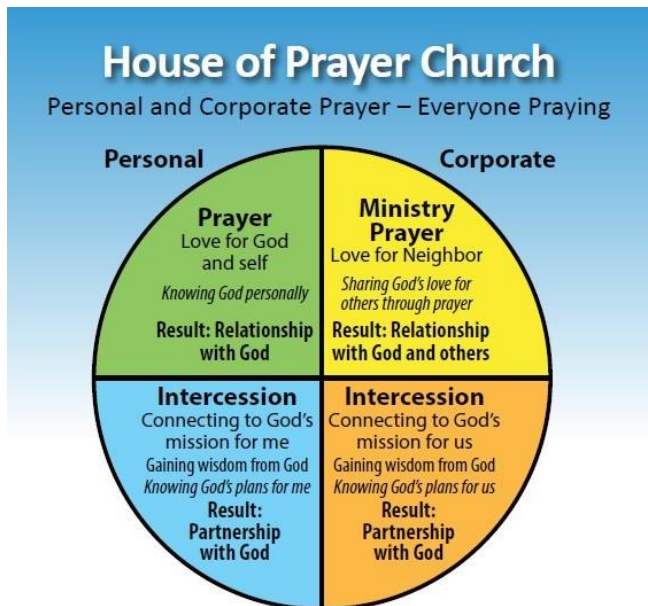
"There has **never been a spiritual awakening in any country or locality** that did not begin in **united prayer.**" Dr. A.T. Pierson And **"Young people in student led prayer bands** have been at the forefront in almost every awakening." J Edwin Orr

Can we prepare ourselves, church members and ministry partners for this move of God? We can! We know: "True" Disciples Pray AND Ministry Leaders Equip Disciples to Pray.

Here are 2 areas where we can focus our prayers and activity: Leaders Who Equip Disciples to Pray AND Equipping Disciples to Pray

Developing a "Ministry Prayer Strategy" will help you as you plan. Read about developing a "Ministry Prayer Strategy" at this link: <https://prayerassist.org/ministry-prayer-strategy/>

Here are 2 ways to look at a "House of Prayer" Church or Ministry:



1. A House of Prayer Church/Ministry's members are well-rounded in both Personal AND Corporate prayer.

A. Personal Prayer: Seeking and knowing God personally.

B. Personal Intercession: Seeking God's will for me, interceding for others.

C. Ministry Prayer: Seeking God's best for others by praying for and with them.

D. Corporate Intercession: Seeking God's will for us as a congregation or ministry.



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Motivated by God's Love and Love for Others

2. A House of Prayer Church/Ministry's members pray their "Prayer Share"

Prayer Share Categories 1-7 Intercede: Pray toward God's best in each category, according to the promises in God's word. **Ask God to intervene** in the areas where you are praying.

1. Myself: My relationship with the Lord, my spiritual growth, my roles, my work & calling, my daily schedule, etc.

When I sin, I can receive God's cleansing and forgiveness through prayer: God is: Forgiving (1 John

1:9), Merciful (Psalm 86:5), Compassionate (Proverbs 28:13), **Good** (Romans 2:4) and **Loving** (Psalm 103:11-14)

2. My Family/close relationships: Use B.L.E.S.S. prayer (by Pastor Rick Shepherd) **B-Bodily** needs (Physical), **L-Labor** (Work, Finances), **E-Emotional** (Stress/strain), **S- Social** (Relationships), **S-Spiritual** (Growth in God)

3. My Pastor/Church/Ministry Leaders: Pastor _____

4. Ministries I am involved in or care about: _____

5. Areas of Community God places on my heart: _____

Family, Non-Profits, Media, Business, Arts & Entertainment, Education, Government

6. My City/County and Its Leaders: Federal, State and Local Leaders

7. World: Places in the world that God places on my heart

Thomas Bush / Prayer Assist is planning in-person and zoom sessions to focus on these areas of prayer equipping.

Contact me to grow praying disciples in your church or ministry!

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"Prayer is responding to God's invitation to come into His presence"



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