

Clergy Appreciation Month – Pray for Your Pastors

30 Scripture - based Prayers for Your Pastor by Terry Teykl (Taken from <http://prayerleader.com>)

Show God's love to your pastors by praying for them during Clergy Appreciation Month. Let them know you are praying and ask others to join you! Personalize the scripture passage(s) with their name(s). Email or text prayers to them. They will be blessed as God ministers His Word to them!

Pray in Faith! Expect, Stand and Yield.

► **Expect God to answer prayers offered in faith. You can depend on the promises in God's powerful word.** ► **Stand for, with and behind your pastor, with Christ-like love and service.** ► **Yield to the Holy Spirit for other areas of prayer and intercession!**

Personalize the prayer by placing the person's name you are praying for in the _____(blank)

Sample: Lord, I pray that Pastor George will stand firm. Nothing will move Pastor George. (1 Corinthians 15:58) May Pastor George always give himself fully to Your work because Pastor George's labor is not in vain in the Lord!

Spiritual Strength: Lord. I pray that _____ will stand firm. Nothing will move _____. (1 Cor. 15:58) May _____ always give himself fully to Your work because _____'s labor is not in vain in the Lord!

Partnership/God is Faithful: _____ I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, _____ always in every prayer of mine for you making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this _____, He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. (Philippians 1:3-6)

Surrounded by God: I thank You, Father, that Your eyes are on _____ and Your ears are attentive to their prayers and Your face is against those who plot evil against _____. (1 Pet 3:12). I know that in all things You work for the good of _____ who loves You (Romans 8:28). Who can accuse _____ who is daily interceded for by Christ Jesus? (Romans 8:33-34). In all things _____ is more than a conqueror. (Romans 8:37)

Hope/Power: I pray that the eyes of _____ may be enlightened to know the hope to which we are called and know the riches of our glorious inheritance in the saints. Let _____ know the incomparable great power which is in us who believe (Ephesians 1:18-19). Let _____ see the full revelation of Jesus Christ. (Galatians 1:12) Give _____ a desire to know Christ and the power of His resurrection. (Philippians 3:10)

Family: Lord, I lift up the hands of _____ and his family. Place them in the shelter of the Most High to rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, You are _____'s refuge and fortress. You will preserve their family time. You will cover _____'s home. Your faithfulness will meet _____'s financial needs in Christ Jesus (Phil 4:19). You will command Your angels to guard them as they travel and win the lost. You have said, "I will be with [them] in trouble, I will deliver [them] and honor [them]. With a long life, I will satisfy [them] and show [them] my salvation." (Ps 91:15-16)

Spiritual Power: Bless _____ with rich study time (Acts 6:4, 2 Tim 2:15). As _____ preaches, let him proclaim Jesus Christ (Col 1:28). Let _____'s preaching be in the energy of the Holy Spirit.

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Renewal: Renew _____ in the Holy Spirit. Let _____ gain strength and mount up with wings of eagles (Isaiah 40:27-31). Give increased spiritual vitality to _____ through the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:11). Renew _____'s vision and confidence. (1 John 5:13-14)

Spiritual Victory: Father, I thank You that no weapons formed against _____ will prosper. Every tongue raised against _____ will be cast down. For _____ will be still before the Lord and wait on Him. _____ will dwell in the shadow of the Most High God. Send your angels to guard _____ (Psalm 91:11). Surround _____ so that no power of the enemy may harm _____. (Luke 10:19)

Worshipper, Loved by God: Keep _____ in the midst of God-glorifying worship. Keep _____ from the traditions of men and religion which hold the form of godliness, but deny its power (2 Tim 3:5). Lord, as _____ spends quiet time with You, shed Your love abroad in his heart. Let _____ know how much he is loved (Rom 5:5). Let the love of God be _____'s motivation for ministry.

Spirit of Prayer: Lord, we pray against the enemies of _____'s prayer life: "busyness" (Acts 6:2-4), doubt, fatigue, sleepiness (Matthew 26:41), compromise (Acts 5), and over-commitments. Let nothing hinder _____'s time with You. Let _____ rise up to seek You (Mark 1:35), pray with other pastors (Acts 1:14), and pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Give _____ time, desire, and the place to pray (Acts 16:16). Send the spirit of prayer upon _____ (Acts 1:8, Romans 8:26). We pray against any distractions from _____'s devotional life.

Healing: Father, please heal _____'s heart of any grief caused by ministry. Bestow on _____ a crown of beauty instead of ashes and anoint him with the oil of gladness instead of mourning. Clothed _____ with a garment of praise instead of a spirit of discouragement. By Your power make _____ an oak of righteousness, a planting of the Lord to display Your splendor. (Is 61:3)

Forgiveness: Forgive those who hurt _____ and speak against him. May _____ seek to forgive them (Eph 4:32-5:1). Help _____ take every thought captive to obey Christ. (2 Cor 10:3-5)

Strength: Lord, lead _____ through difficult times. Let _____ know that You are near and that You are his God. _____ will not be dismayed. You will strengthen _____ and help and uphold him with Your righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)

Rest: O God, allow _____ to enter Your rest (Hebrews 4, Matthew. 11:28). Put Your yoke on _____. When _____ is heavy laden or burdened, may he find comfort and peace in You, refreshed and renewed by Your power in every aspect of his life.

Fruitfulness, Discipleship: Lord, as You have promised, grant _____ lasting fruit (Malachi 3:11, John 15:16). Let _____'s converts become disciples who build and grow other disciples. Bless _____ with disciples who grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Faith: In Jesus' name, _____ shall fight the good fight of faith, fleeing from evil to God by pursuing righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. (1 Timothy 6:12)

Hope, Joy, and Peace: _____ Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you _____ may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13)

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