



40 Days of Prayer for **EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH** during Time of Transition

The Senior Pastor Search Committee desires that our church joins us in prayer for the Body of Christ at EBC and its future leadership. Provided is a forty-day prayer guide designed to start Christmas Day, Friday, December 25, and end February 2, 2021.

- Pray the daily Scripture for the request.
- Praying together builds unity in the Body of Christ!
- There is great power in prayer agreement prayed in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

"Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven." Matthew 18:19

Praying Scripture is a practice exemplified in the Bible. **Read and meditate upon these scriptures this week:**

1. In Numbers 14:11-20, Moses prayed Exodus 20:5-6;
2. In 2 Chronicles 20:5-12, Jehoshaphat prayed 2 Chronicles 7:13-14 and 1 Kings 8:37-39;
3. In Acts 4:23-31, the Early Church prayed Psalm 2.

Prayers based on the promises of God will result in our seeing the power of God! Moses, Jehoshaphat, and the Early Church experienced the power of prayer because they prayed Scripture. Use the following scriptures to "wash the Bride of Christ" in the Word and lift a holy fragrance to the throne of Heaven.

10 Prayers for members, staff, and lay leadership:

Day One – December 25th, 2020

1. Pray that each member of EBC will humbly bow before Almighty God confessing all known and unknown sin.

"Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong." - Daniel 9:4

Day Two – December 26th, 2020

2. Pray that each member of EBC will forgive any grievance they have toward one another.

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." -Ephesians 4:32

Day Three – December 27th, 2020

3. Pray that each member of EBC will submit to the molding hand of the Potter.

"Then the word of the LORD came to me. He said, 'Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?' declared the LORD. 'Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel.'" - Jeremiah 18:5-6



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Day Four – December 28th, 2020

4. Pray that each member of EBC will be willing to be broken in order to be re-built.
“Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings. - Isaiah 58:12

Day Five – December 29th, 2020

5. Pray for purity of heart for each member of the Pastor Search Committee.
“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. -Psalm 139:23-24

Day Six – December 30th, 2020

6. Pray for Pastor Steve Ballew and his wife, Cheryl. Ask God to provide for their every need.
“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”- Philippians 4:19

Day Seven – December 31st, 2020

7. Pray for Pastor Steve Ballew and his wife, Cheryl to know the joy of the presence of the Lord in their lives.
“Surely you have granted him unending blessings and made him glad, with the joy of your presence.”- Psalms 21:6

Day Eight – January 1, 2021

8. Pray for the DEACONS of EBC to have a sense of passion for the work in which they are involved.
“Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.” – Romans 12:11 (ESV)

Day Nine – January 2, 2021

9. Pray that God would give the ADMIN COMMITTEE wisdom in all their decisions.
“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 1:5

Day Ten – January 3, 2021

10. Pray that the STAFF of EBC will continue to be effective partners with our members in the work of spreading the Good News.
“Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been partners in the spreading of the Good News about Christ . . .” – Philippians 1:4-5 (NLT)



20 Prayers for Biblical Qualifications in our Pastoral, Deacon, and Lay leadership

“Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full respect. He must not be a recent convert...He must have a good reputation with outsiders. In the same way, deacons are to be worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience...”

I Timothy 3:1-9

Day Eleven – January 4, 2021

11. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to operate above reproach.

Day Twelve – January 5, 2021

12. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be faithful in marriage.

Day Thirteen – January 6, 2021

13. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to show moderation and self-restraint in a world of indulgence.

Day Fourteen – January 7, 2021

14. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be self-controlled.

Day Fifteen – January 8, 2021

15. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be respectable in our community and the world abroad.

Day Sixteen – January 9, 2021

16. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to offer hospitality with joy in their homes.

Day Seventeen – January 10, 2021

17. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be gifted with ability to teach, either through academia or example.

Day Eighteen – January 11, 2021

18. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to not ever be given to drunkenness.

Day Nineteen – January 12, 2021

19. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be of a gentle nature, full of mercy and grace.

Day Twenty – January 13, 2021

20. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to not be quarrelsome, but build each other up according to their needs!

Day Twenty-one – January 14, 2021

21. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to not be a lover of money, but to use money as a resource to make God’s name famous in the Four Corners.



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Day Twenty-two – January 15, 2021

22. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to manage their own families well.

Day Twenty-three – January 16, 2021

23. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be long-time lovers of God.

Day Twenty-four – January 17, 2021

24. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to have a good reputation outside of the Church.

Day Twenty-five – January 18, 2021

25. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to be sincere, not pursuing dishonest gain or position.

Day Twenty-six – January 19 2021

26. Pray for the current and future leadership of EBC to pursue the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience.

“Since an overseer manages God’s household, he must be blameless- not overbearing, not quick-tempered...one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.” - Titus 1:7-9

Day Twenty-seven – January 20, 2021

27. Pray that the current and future leadership of EBC be blameless – not overbearing or quick-tempered.

Day Twenty-eight – January 21, 2021

28. Pray that the current and future leadership of EBC love what is good, upright and holy.

Day Twenty-nine – January 22, 2021

29. Pray that the current and future leadership of EBC practice discipline in mind, body, and soul.

Day Thirty – January 23, 2021

30. Pray that the current and future leadership of EBC encourage others through sound doctrine.



10 Prayers for our future Senior Pastor and his family

Day Thirty-One – January 24, 2021

31. Pray that he and his family would be assured that assuming this position is the will of God.

“Now may the God of peace—who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood—may he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever! Amen.” – Hebrews 13:20-21(NLT)

Day Thirty-Two – January 25, 2021

32. Pray that he and his family would have peace as they follow God’s leadership in his assuming this position.

“You, LORD, give perfect peace to those who keep their purpose firm and put their trust in you.”
– Isaiah 26:3 (GNT)

Day Thirty-Three – January 26, 2021

33. Pray that he and his family would be blessed by the new relationships they will develop.

“Just as lotions and fragrance give sensual delight, a sweet friendship refreshes the soul.”
– Proverbs 27:9 (The Message)

Day Thirty-Four – January 27, 2021

34. Pray that he and his family would be enabled to courageously go through this time of change as they follow God’s guidance and focus on His presence.

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.” – Joshua 1:9 (NASB)

Day Thirty-Five – January 28, 2021

35. Pray that he and his family would be blessed with the EBC church family as their new spiritual home.

“Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.” – Romans 12:10-13 (ESV)

Day Thirty-Six – January 29, 2021

36. Pray that he would be a man of vision, seeking to follow God’s guidance as he leads the members at EBC.

“If people can’t see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; But when they attend to what he reveals, they are most blessed.” – Proverbs 29:18 (The Message)

Day Thirty-Seven – January 30, 2021

37. Pray that he would be a man who leads with a pastor’s heart, having a supernatural love for each EBC member.

“And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will guide you with knowledge and understanding
– Jeremiah 3:15 (NLT)



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Day Thirty-Eight – January 31, 2021

- 38.** Pray that he would be a man who has a passion to share the Good News to see the Four Corners come to Christ.

“I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!” – 1 Corinthians 9:16b (NIV)

Day Thirty-Nine – February 1, 2021

- 39.** Pray that he would be a man of faith.

“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.” -Hebrews 11:6

Day Forty – February 2, 2021

- 40.** End these forty days of prayer for our church during this time of transition by thanking God that He hears and answers our prayers when we pray according to His will as revealed in His Word.

“The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.” – Psalm 145:18 (NIV)

“For this reason I am telling you, whatever things you ask for in prayer [in accordance with God’s will], believe [with confident trust] that you have received them, and they will be given to you.” – Mark 11:24 (Amplified)

“This is the [remarkable degree of] confidence which we [as believers are entitled to] have before Him: that if we ask anything according to His will, [that is, consistent with His plan and purpose] He hears us. And if we know [for a fact, as indeed we do] that He hears and listens to us in whatever we ask, we [also] know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted to us] the requests which we have asked from Him.”

– 1 John 5:14-15 (Amplified)