

FIRESTONE PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRAYERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

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If you are in need of prayer, let us know and we'll add you to our prayer chain. We are here to pray for you and with you...

FOR FAITHFULNESS

Give me, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no unworthy affection may drag downward; give me an unconquered heart, which no tribulation can wear out; give me an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside. Bestow on me also, O Lord my God, understanding to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR GUIDANCE

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doing with your most gracious favor and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR HOPE

Father, replace all of my pessimism with optimism, fearfulness with hopefulness. As Jesus healed the man with the withered hand, heal my withered attitude and fill me with hope, as well as a desire to meet you in the midst of my pain and worry. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

SELF-DEDICATION

Almighty God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you. Use us as you will, always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

FOR STRENGTH

You are able, dear God, to do far more with me than I am able to do with myself. I trust your power, seek your wisdom, and surrender to your leading. Amen.

FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

Gracious God, we remember before you those who suffer want and anxiety from lack of work. Guide the people of this land so to use our wealth and resources that all persons may find suitable and fulfilling employment and receive just payment for their labor; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR CHILDREN

Great God, guard of the laughter of children, bring them safely through injury and illness, so they may live the promises you give. Do not let us be so preoccupied with our purposes that we fail to hear their voices, or pay attention to their special vision of the truth; but keep us with them, ready to listen and to love. Amen.

FOR THOSE WE LOVE

Almighty God, I entrust all who are dear to me to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come; knowing that you are doing for them better things than I can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR SPOUSES

Lord Jesus, grant that I and my spouse may have a true and understanding love for each other. Grant that we may both be filled with faith and trust. Give us the grace to live with each other in peace and harmony. May we always bear with one another's weaknesses and grow from each other's strengths. Help us to forgive one another's failings and grant us patience, kindness, cheerfulness and the spirit of placing the well-being of one another ahead of self. May the love that brought us together grow and mature with each passing year. Bring us both ever closer to you through our love for each other. Amen.

IN A PERSONAL CRISIS

God of life, there are days when the burdens we carry are heavy on our shoulders and weigh us down, when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies gray and threatening, when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost their courage. Flood the path with light, turn our eyes to where the skies are full of promise; tune our hearts to brave music; give us the sense of comradeship with heroes and saints of every age; and so quicken our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the road of life; to your honor and glory. Amen.

FOR THOSE IN DISTRESS

Almighty and everlasting God, the comfort of the sad, the strength of those who suffer, let the prayers of your children who cry out of any tribulation come to you. To every soul that is distressed, grant mercy, grant relief, grant refreshment, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

AT A TIME OF TRAGEDY

God of compassion you watch our ways, and weave out of terrible happenings wonders of goodness and grace. Surround those who have been shaken by tragedy with a sense of your present love, and hold them in faith. Though they are lost in grief, may they find you and be comforted through Jesus Christ who was dead, but lives and rules this world with you. Amen.

FOR A SICK CHILD

Merciful God, enfold _____ (child) in the arms of your love. Comfort _____ and _____ (parents) in their anxiety. Deliver them from despair, give them patience to endure and guide them to choose wisely for _____ (child). Amen.

FOR YOUR OWN HEALING

Father in heaven, heal me, I pray. Not because it is my best interest, but because it is in your nature to do so. For you alone are the Great Physician. Grant me the grace to remain faithful in the face of pain and suffering, nausea and concern. If you heal me, I will praise you. If I am not to be healed, I will praise you by allowing my light to shine until it is extinguished and you lead me to my eternal home. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

FOR THE HEALING OF ANOTHER

By your power, great God, our Lord Jesus healed the sick and gave new hope to the hopeless. Though we cannot command or possess your power, we pray for those who want to be healed especially for _____. Mend their wounds, soothe their fevered brows, and make broken people whole again. Help us to welcome every healing as a sign that you are with us and have promised renewed and risen life in Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.