

HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH PRAYER DIARY — SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE TIMES 9:00 & 10:45 A.M.

MONDAY—EVANGELISTIC PRAYER

Chronological Bible Reading: *Ezekiel 33-36*
Monday, September 7

Ruth 2:3 *And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.*

Great God and Father:

A *hap* is just a happening, and seems like nothing but an accident or random incident – until overruled by providence. So I seek the same blessing as Ruth during this crisis, because I know I am under the care of Ruth’s God. Make it my *hap to light* in the life of someone I can show Jesus with my witness. Order my steps. Give me guidance and direction. Bring me specifically into the life of _____ and _____ in such a way it opens doors to the gospel right now!

You are so good to those who trust you, and you often surprise me with unexpected blessings. Chance is banished by faith, because I can see your hand in everything. Even trivial events of the day involve consequences you control. I trust you with that, and so I **pray**. Deal as graciously with your servant today as you did with Ruth of old.

And Oh! that you would reveal your own self to me – just like Boaz revealed himself to Ruth – as her kinsman-redeemer. O Spirit of God, guide me to see Jesus! I would rather get the gleanings from **your** field Lord, than carry away the whole harvest from anywhere else. This is a weary world during times I do not understand. But I could do better without the sun than without you my Savior, for all things look fairer in the light of your countenance.

I know the virtue that dwells in Jesus. Give me grace to take it to others who are blind. I cannot be content without you, Jesus. **Make my family and lost friends discontent until they know you like I do.** I will wait in prayer until you manifest yourself as redeemer to them. Amen.

A DAILY PATTERN FOR PRAYER & BIBLE READING

Chronological Bible Reading: *Ezekiel 45-48*
Thursday, September 10

John 9:25 *He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.*

HE never fails the soul that trusts in Him;
Tho’ disappointments come and hope burns dim, He never fails.
Tho’ trials surge like stormy seas around,
Tho’ testings fierce like ambushed foes abound,
Yet this my soul, with millions more has found,
He never fails; He never fails.

He never fails the soul that trusts in Him;
Tho’ angry skies with thunder-clouds grow grim, He never fails.
Tho’ icy blasts life’s fairest flow’rs lay low,
Tho’ earthly springs of joy all cease to flow,
Yet still ‘tis true, with millions more I know,
He never fails; He never fails.

He never fails the soul that trusts in Him;
Tho’ sorrow’s cup should overflow the brim, He never fails.
Tho’ oft the pilgrim way seems rough and long,
I yet shall stand amid yon white-robed throng,
And there I’ll sing, with millions more, this song—
He never fails; He never fails.



TUESDAY—FOCUS ON CHRIST’S CROSS

Chronological Bible Reading: *Ezekiel 37-40*
Tuesday, September 8

John 13:1 *Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.*

Dear Loving Lord and Gracious Father:

What a fact for my faith to claim! Because what you were and are – what you were to those with whom you lived on earth – you will be to me, and to all your beloved ones today. Yet here is what is amazing me: it says, “*having loved*.” That you should **ever** have loved us at all is a wonder! What was there in your poor apostles that you should love them? But then... what is there in me? What is there in me?

Lord, I thank you; because once you **start** to love it is in your nature to **continue**. Love made me “*his own*.” What a title! You purchased me with the treasure of your blood and I became your treasure. What a thought! So now I know that,

- Being your own, you will not **lose** me
- Being your beloved, you will not **stop** loving me

And you loved Lord, “*to the end*.” Even as your life dripped-out on the cross, you loved. That ruling passion reigned in your heart until its last beat.

That also means you will love me to the uttermost. You could not love me more than to love me to your last breath. Having loved me to your last breath, you will now love me to **perfection**. Your love will bring me all the way to **completion** in the image of Jesus Christ. Truly, you have lavished perfect love! There is no un-wisdom or unfaithfulness in your actions toward me, because there is neither fault nor flaw in your love – and also no reservation.

Such is the love of Jesus to each one of his children. Let me sing to my Well-beloved my praises! Amen.

FRIDAY—CORPORATE PRAYER MINISTRY

Chronological Bible Reading: *Daniel 1-3*
Friday, September 11

Isa. 41:10 *... yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.*

Heavenly Lord and Holy Father:

Not only do you provide us strength for what we have to do, but you guarantee us divine assistance in times when we cannot act alone. Lord, you have to help us today! We need strength within to be supplemented by aid from without. We thank you Lord for raising-up “relationship allies” out of our church family. You send us human assistance through disciplers, counselors, and comrades-in-arms. And you yourself are at our side by your Spirit – that is even better! Since,

- Your help is **timely**

Psa. 46:1 *God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*

- Your help is **wise**

Gen. 2:18 *And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.*

- Your help is **effective**

Psa. 60:11 *Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man.*

- Your help is more than enough, because you bear all the burden of success and supply all the needs along the way

Heb. 13:6 *So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.*

Because you have been our help to save us already, we feel confidence as your children. Our **prayer** is, *Lord, be thou my helper*. Our **experience** is, *The Spirit also helpeth mine infirmities*. Our **expectation** is, *I will lift up mine eyes to the hills whence cometh my help*. And our **song** shall be, *Thou, Lord, hast helped me!*

Help us now to enter a Faithful Fall, together. Amen.

WEDNESDAY—REVIVAL PRAYING

Chronological Bible Reading: *Ezekiel 41-44*
Wednesday, September 9

Isa. 41:21 *Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong reasons, saith the King of Jacob.*

Glorious God:

You love to be pleaded with and petitioned. You could give me all the covenant blessings even without my prayer. So why compel me to pray unless you want a family relationship, and love to hear the voice of your children? We come united from every corner, though at different times and through different languages. You delight in blessing me from the mercy seat of prayer. I live by prayer. **The church of God never gains revival except it prays.**

If my prayers have sped with success before, and if you invite me now, and even delight in my petitions, then let me not be slack about praying. Lord, give me faith to engage, and even **enlarge** my requests for revival right now!

- Let me pray for revival **in the spirit of adoration and gratitude**. Bring me back to my chastity in Christ. Help me say, “I have nothing to do with the world except to convert them. I ask not its approval. I fear not their injustice and prejudice. I lean upon the Lord alone, and make allegiance or alliance with no one else. All I ask for is peace, a level field, and a clear opportunity to present Christ?” **God’s truth will produce its own revival.**

- Let me pray for revival **with strong reasons**. Lord, your truth does not prosper at my workplace, yet you have said it will not return to you void. You are blasphemed by every person it seems, yet you say you will be worshipped by all. Lord, they set up idols, so tear them down for your name’s sake!

Will you not have it so? Will you not do it in my arena of work, school and home? Will you not bring revival to our church in Harvest? Lord, our lives hang in the balance as we petition you! Grant it by your grace. Amen.

SATURDAY—IN THE PSALMS

Chronological Bible Reading: *Daniel 4-6*
Saturday, September 12

Psa. 91:2 *I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.*

My Glorious God and Shelter:

There are some blessings you do not give all who believe, but only those who walk with you in close fellowship. Make me that Christian! Then through the riches of your grace I can experience **continuous communion** with Christ.

Those who follow *afar off* (**Matt. 26:58**) miss special blessings and grieve your Holy Spirit. Make me like them! I want to come into the *secret place* of the Most High. I want to really know you, and have a **sense of your presence** now.

You shield all your children who stay close to you. No other fortress can compare to the safety of your shadow. What a shade in the heat of day! What a refuge in the night of storm! **Prayer is protection, and communion with you is safety itself.** The **closer** I cling the more **confident** I can be. Raise a Hallelujah!

Every animal has its refuge in the hour of danger. So let me flee to the LORD. There I am secure, and my position unassailable. I have trusted you in the past, and Lord I trust you right now. **I will not be distrustful** of your care and lovingkindness. **I will place all my confidence in your providence.**

Psa. 91:5 *Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;*

No subtle plot will succeed if I make you my defense without hesitancy or wavering. I am foolish and weak alone, likely to be lured to destruction. But if I live near you, you will deliver me from the most artful and skillful deceiver.

Holy Spirit, protect me from all evil spirits. You are immortal; heal me from all mortal sickness. There is error abroad, so help me immerse in your truth. If I am infected you are still my immunity. Thank you, Lord Jesus! Amen.