

WITH PASTOR MENSA OTABIL 22 JUNE - 31 JULY 2023



# HELPFUL HINTS FOR FASTING

The practice of regular fasting is a normal Christian behaviour taught by Jesus. In *Matthew 6:16–18*, Jesus provided guidelines for fasting. Fasting was also practiced by the early church as evidenced in *Acts 13:2*. It has been the regular discipline of believers throughout church history.

Fasting has physical as well as spiritual benefits. It must be embarked on with spiritual commitment and wisdom. Everything should be done to the glory of God.

# Do's Of Fasting

- 1. Prepare your body for the fast; cut back on food portions and eat smaller meals a few days prior to the fast.
- 2. Prevent constipation during and after the fast by eating fresh fruit and raw vegetables, fruit or vegetable juices, oatmeal, etc.
- 3. Drink lots of water when fasting.
- 4. Seek medical advice before the fast if you have any existing health conditions.
- 5. You can fast in many different ways. For example, a Daniel fast is one in which you consume only vegetables and water throughout. Pray and ask God what He will give you faith for the duration of the fast.
- 6. Have a clear target as your prayer focus. Without a vision or clear goal, the people perish. Write down your vision for the fast so you can run with it (Habakkuk 2:2).
- 7. Take time to pray and read the word. This may seem obvious, but busyness and distractions can keep you from daily devotions. Expect to hear God's voice in the word, dreams, visions, and revelations. Daniel prepared himself to receive revelation through fasting (Daniel 10:1-2).
- 8. Break your fast gradually. At this point you will need to exercise watchful self-control. Break your fast on a meal that is light and easy to digest (i.e., broth, a shredded apple, watermelon, or steamed vegetables).
- Prepare for opposition. Satan tempted Jesus on the fast, and we must expect the same. Discouragement may come but take your stand on the victory of Christ.

# Don'ts Of Fasting

- 1. Avoid high-fat and sugary foods before the fast.
- 2. Abstain from strong stimulants such as caffeinated and sugary drinks during a fast, including the artificial sweeteners found in diet drinks.
- 3. It is important after a fast to control your cravings and avoid overeating and nullifying the gains made during the fast.

I am excited that you are joining me on this fast. Commit to staying the course and fasting from the beginning to the end. I believe that God's glory will envelope our nation in a supernatural way as we wait upon the Lord.





40 Days of Power is with us once again. We have traveled halfway through 2023, and it is that time of the year when we consecrate ourselves unto the Lord and seek His face with fasting and prayer. This annual, 40-day commitment is an important feature on the calendar of the International Central Gospel Church, and it has also become an important spiritual journey for several people around the world.

God continues to shower His grace and mercy upon His people as they call upon Him in corporate prayer. From the experiences of people in Bible times through to present day, His response to consecration and prayer remains the same – He hears from heaven, He forgives their sin, and He heals their land (2 Chronicles 7:14). So year after year, we record testimony after testimony of lives that have been touched with the joy of salvation, healing, deliverance, and total transformation as they join in prayer. Men, women, and children alike share these joy-inspiring testimonies.

40 Days of Power this year starts from Thursday, 22nd June 2023, and ends on Monday, 31st July 2023. Members of ICGC and Christians across the globe will fast and pray. We will trust the Lord to stretch forth His hands and touch us in our personal lives, families, the church, and the nations of the world.

This year, the corporate prayer each weekday will have four bands. The first will start at 5 am and run till 8 am.

There will be a break till the second session commences from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Thirdly, there will be in-person only evening prayer

services from 6 pm to 8 pm. You can visit an ICGC assembly close by to participate in these services. Finally, we will end each weekday with our late night session of intense intercession from 10 pm to 11 pm. The late-night prayer sessions were a great blessing to the many who tuned in and prayed along last year.

Each year, we provide this prayer guide to help participants pray in a guided, effective, and expansive manner. Weekly themes and daily sub-themes with accompanying scriptures have been outlined to ground our prayers. Scriptures are given for morning and evening reflections, and prayer segments are divided into consecration, guidance, protection, global missions, work and career, and gathering. There are also scripturally-founded declarations to affirm each day as we pray. This guide will enrich your fasting and prayer experience.

As you fast, commit to doing so wisely and healthily for the physical and spiritual benefits that are to be gained. Some helpful tips on effective fasting have been included in the guide.

2023 is our year of Gathering in ICGC. As we embark on this spiritual journey together, may we gather every fragment due us, and may no treasure of ours be lost.

May the Lord hear your prayers and answer them speedily!

Shalom!



# WEEK 2 GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION



# LEAD ME LORD

Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, show me now Your way, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight. And consider that this nation is Your people. (Exodus 33:13)

# Morning Reflection Exodus 33:12-16

Then Moses said to the Lord, "See, You say to me, 'Bring up this people.' But You have not let me know whom You will send with me. Yet You have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found grace in My sight.' Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, show me now Your way, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight. And consider that this nation is Your people." And He said, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." Then he said to Him, "If Your Presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here. For how then will it be known that Your people and I have found grace in Your sight, except You go with us? So we shall be separate, Your people and I, from all the people who are upon the face of the earth."

#### Consecration.

- 1. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you set your heart and affections on things that please God.
- 2. Ask God to give you the strength and discipline to live a life set apart unto Him.
- 3. Surrender your will to the Lord and ask Him to lead you into a deep walk of faith with Him.
- 4. Dedicate your household to the Lord; ask Him to touch each member and give them the desire to follow His leading always.

#### Guidance

- 5. Ask the Lord to help you discern His leading in all matters pertaining to your life.
- 6. Pray for a submissive heart to yield to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- 7. Ask God to order your steps according to His will; declare that you will not miss His leading.
- 8. Come against every voice seeking to move you out of God's purposes; declare that your ears are open to the voice of God only.

- 9. Thank God for giving His angels charge over you; confess that you are protected everywhere you go.
- 10. Ask God to keep for you, the blessings and opportunities He has given you; pray that you will not be denied of them.
- 11. Ask the Lord to guide your family away from every opportunity intended to bring them harm; declare that no evil agenda will prosper.
- 12. Ask the Lord to watch over your children and protect them from harm wherever they go.

I believe that the Lord guides me by His Spirit in all my ways. I affirm that through God's favor, I will find my way in every situation and possess His best. I follow His leading every step of the way on my life's journey. In Jesus' name, *Amen*.

#### **Global Missions**

- a. **Bolivia**
- b. Botswana
- c. Brazil
- d. Brunei
- e. Bulgaria
- 13. Pray that the leadership of **Bolivia** will be influenced by God to be favorably disposed to the Church in the nation; pray that the work of God prospers in the nation.
- 14. Ask God to spark revival in **Botswana** through the Church; ask the Lord to renew zeal and passion in believers to witness.
- 15. Pray for the families of all missionaries in **Brazil**; decree that no weapon formed against their households will prosper.
- 16. Ask the Lord to release financial blessings upon every church in **Brunei**; declare that church projects that have begun will be completed.
- 17. Pray against every resistance against the Word of God in **Bulgaria**; pray that God's Word will have free course in the nation.

#### **Work and Career**

- 18. Ask the Lord to guide you in your career choices; affirm that every decision will be aligned with His will for your life.
- Commit the work of your hands to the Lord; ask Him to grant you good success in all your endeavors.
- 20. Pray for divine ideas to excel in your work and career.
- 21. Ask the Lord to prepare you for the great opportunities that are coming your way; confess that your gift has made room for you in great places.

#### Gathering

- 22. Declare that by the Spirit of God souls are being led to sincere faith in Jesus Christ.
- 23. Pray for the grace to be profitable with every resource God has blessed you with.
- 24. Ask the Lord to open your eyes to see opportunities of gathering around you; affirm that you will be fruitful and prosper.
- 25. Come against every spirit that brings confusion; declare that you will have clarity of mind and heart and nothing in your life will be wasted.

#### **Declaration**

I boldly declare that the work of God is prospering around the nations. I declare that an abundant harvest of souls is coming into God's household. I will be led by the Spirit of God, and I will follow obediently and prosper in the work of my hands. In Jesus' name, **Amen**.

# Scripture for Reflection: Psalms 32:7-8

You are my hiding place; you shall preserve me from trouble; you shall surround me with songs of deliverance. Selah. I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.

#### **Declaration**

I affirm that the Lord goes ahead of me. His presence gives me rest. By His Spirit, I leap over walls and prevail in life. By the leading of God's Spirit, I excel in all things in Jesus' name! **Amen.** 



# **INQUIRE OF THE LORD**

But the children struggled together within her; and she said, "If all is well, why am I like this?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her: "Two nations are in your womb, Two peoples shall be separated from your body; One people shall be stronger than the other, And the older shall serve the younger." (Genesis 25:22-23)

# Morning Reflection Genesis 25:19-28

This is the genealogy of Isaac, Abraham's son. Abraham begot Isaac. Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah as wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan Aram, the sister of Laban the Syrian. Now Isaac pleaded with the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his plea, and Rebekah his wife conceived. But the children struggled together within her; and she said, "If all is well, why am I like this?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her: "Two nations are in your womb, two peoples shall be separated from your body; One people shall be stronger than the other, and the older shall serve the younger." So when her days were fulfilled for her to give birth, indeed there were twins in her womb. And the first came out red. He was like a hairy garment all over; so they called his name Esau. Afterward his brother came out, and his hand took hold of Esau's heel; so his name was called Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. So the boys grew. And Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field; but Jacob was a mild man, dwelling in tents. And Isaac loved Esau because he ate of his game, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

#### Consecration

- 1. Thank God for His presence in your life and for being an ever-present help.
- 2. Ask the Lord for grace to inquire of Him concerning all things that pertain to your life.
- 3. Ask the Holy Spirit to grant you perfect peace as a guard over your heart in your choices.
- Surrender your heart and mind to the Lord; pray that you will always have the mind of Christ.

#### Guidance

- Thank God for the opportunity to boldly approach His throne of grace at all times because of the blood of Christ.
- 6. Pray for grace to diligently and sincerely seek God's will in every situation you face.
- 7. Ask the Lord to speak to you expressly concerning His thoughts and plans for you in this season of consecration.
- 8. Thank God for giving you the mind of Christ; declare that you are taking steps that are ordered by the Lord towards His good plans for you.

- 9. Thank God for His protection over your household and every member of your family.
- 10. Cast down every stronghold of thought and imagination hindering you from fulfilling God's purposes for your life.
- 11. Pray for every family member in distress, that God will give them strength to endure and wisdom to overcome.
- 12. Thank the Lord that because you inquire of Him, you will escape every trap of the enemy.

I thank God that the will of God for me unfolds, and I receive clarity of God's vision and purpose for my life. I make decisions that are ordered by the Lord, and as I trust Him, I fulfill His plans for my life. In Jesus' name, **Amen.** 

#### **Global Missions**

- a. Burkina Faso
- b. Burundi
- c. Cape Verde
- d. Cambodia
- e. Cameroon
- 13. Pray for stability and security in **Burkina Faso** that benefits the growth and establishment of the church in the nation.
- 14. Ask the Lord to provide more than enough resources to His laborers in **Burundi** for the work of God to continue.
- 15. Pray that the spirit of intercession will fall on believers in **Cape Verde**; pray that they will inquire of the Lord and find new ways to grow the church there.
- 16. Pray that the church in **Cambodia** will be an agent of peace and restoration in the nation; pray that through the church, challenges with drugs will be overcome.
- 17. Ask the Lord to restore peace across all regions in **Cameroon** through the efforts of the church.

#### **Work and Career**

- 18. Pray that God will grant you divine insight that will help you position your work and career for great expansion.
- 19. Ask the Lord to restore all loses you have incurred in your work or business in double measure; pray that your present and latter end will be greater than your past.
- 20. Prophesy an emergence of businessmen and professionals in the Kingdom who are sensitive to the voice of God.
- 21. Ask God for grace to be more efficient and productive in all you do; declare that you walk under an open heaven of grace and power.

#### Gathering

- 22. Ask the Lord to grant you contentment and a heart of thanksgiving for all that He enables you to gather this year.
- 23. Ask God to grant you speed and acceleration in your efforts to gather resources; thank Him for blessing your efforts with fruitfulness.
- 24. Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you to people who will support your vision; thank Him for helpers of your destiny.
- 25. Declare that all is well with you and that all you need to succeed in life is released to you.

#### Declaration

I thank God for this season of gathering. I declare that I am led by God to locations and into partnerships that will amplify my efforts. I declare that my life and work will bring increase to the kingdom of God. I inquire of the Lord and I prosper through the divine wisdom He gives me. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

# Scripture for Reflection Psalm 27:4-5

One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple. For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; in the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock.

#### **Declaration**

I agree with the truth of God's word, I open my heart to receive new ideas and strategies as I inquire of the Lord daily. My mind is alert and my heart is sensitive to receive from God. It is my season of answers and solutions; I apply what I learn and discover. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 



# HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God." (Revelation 2:7)

# Morning Reflection Revelation 2:1-7

"To the angel of the church of Ephesus write, 'These things says He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands: "I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name's sake and have not become weary. Nevertheless I have this against you, that you have left your first love. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent. But this you have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God."

#### Consecration

- 1. Thank God for His still, small voice that brings comfort and assurance.
- 2. Ask God to help you incline your ears to His word; pray that you will eagerly receive His word more than your necessary food.
- 3. Pray for the courage and boldness to obey the His commands.
- 4. Thank God for the promise of blessing for those who obey His word; affirm that you will prosper as you follow the counsel of His word.

#### Guidance

- 5. Thank God for the assurance that you will be guided as you read and study His word.
- 6. Pray for the understanding to act prudently in every time and season of your life.
- Ask God to teach you the way you should go and guide your actions into His perfect will for your life.
- 8. Pray that you will always bring honor to the Lord as you exalt His word above all else.

- 9. Praise the name of the Lord for His continual protection over you and your family.
- 10. Ask God to help you resist every temptation of the evil one with the word of God.
- 11. Ask the Lord to keep you and your family in perfect peace as your mind is stayed on Him always.
- 12. Ask the Lord to arise on your behalf and help you prevail over every enemy that has risen against you.

I extol the Lord for giving me the firm foundation of His word. By divine counsel I will be exalted and find honour. My life and my family are preserved from destruction as we hear the word of the Lord and obey it. I worship Him who is the Shepherd of my soul guiding me by His voice. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

#### **Global Missions**

- a. Canada
- b. Central African Republic
- c. Chad
- d. Chile
- e. China
- 13. Pray that the gates of hell will not prevail against Christianity in Canada.
- 14. Ask the Lord to continually add to the church those who are being saved in **Central African Republic**.
- 15. Pray that Christians in **Chad** will boldly proclaim Christ as Lord and be steadfast in their faith.
- 16. Pray that Christians in **Chile** will not conform to the world but will be transformed by the renewing of their minds through God's word.
- 17. Ask the Lord to turn the heart of the leaders in **China** to favour the cause of Christianity; pray for the growth of the church in the nation.

#### **Work and Career**

- 18. Ask God to reveal His perfect plans and purposes for your life concerning your work life.
- 19. Pray that you will step out boldly into your calling and do the will of God.
- 20. Pray for insight and ideas to solve every challenge that confronts you in your career.
- 21. Pray and receive God's grace to stand for Christ in the marketplace; affirm that you will not conform to the systems of the world.

#### Gathering

- 22. Thank God for equipping you to gather what rightfully belongs to you.
- 23. Pray for the Lord's direction to gather substance as you diligently work in your job or business.
- 24. Ask God to empower you to win and disciple many souls for His Kingdom.
- 25. Ask God for a heart of compassion for the disadvantaged; pray that He will use you to be a blessing to them.

# **Declaration**

I declare that I am the head and not the tail. I ascend my high places by the enabling power of God. The work of my hands is blessed. I prosper in all I do because I hear and obey the voice of God. This is my portion. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

# Scripture for Reflection John 10:25-29

Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one."

#### **Declaration**

I bless God for His sure word of prophesy which is able to give me an inheritance in Christ Jesus. I confess that His word is my light and my lamp; I obey what it teaches and reap the blessing of obedience. I will bear fruit in this season. In Jesus' name. *Amen.* 



# SEARCH THE WORD

in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. (Daniel 9:2)

# Morning Reflection Daniel 9:1-7

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the lineage of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans— in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. Then I set my face toward the Lord God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. And I prayed to the Lord my God, and made confession, and said, "O Lord, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him, and with those who keep His commandments, we have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments. Neither have we heeded Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings and our princes, to our fathers and all the people of the land. O Lord, righteousness belongs to You, but to us shame of face, as it is this day—to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those near and those far off in all the countries to which You have driven them, because of the unfaithfulness which they have committed against You.

# Consecration

- 1. Glorify the name of God for His word that cleanses us, as we read and meditate on it.
- 2. Ask for God hunger to search His word daily.
- 3. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand His word as you study it.
- 4. Ask the Lord to mould you into the image of Christ as apply yourself to study His word.

#### Guidance

- Thank God for His leading and direction; pray that your steps will be ordered as you follow God's word.
- 6. Speak the word of the Lord over every disorder in your life; declare that the light from God's word will bring clarity in Jesus' name.
- 7. Pray that every word spoken concerning your life will be accomplished.
- 8. Declare that God's perfect will alone will be done in your life.

- 9. Thank God for His unfailing protection for your life and family.
- 10. Pray that the covering of the Lord will be over all you possess; affirm that nothing that belongs to you will be destroyed.
- 11. Pray that the mighty hand of God over you will give you grace to outrun your enemies.
- 12. Ask the Lord to deliver you from every scheme of the devil.

I declare that the word of God is alive in me. By faith I live by His commands in my heart and enjoy protection from all harm and destruction. My steps are ordered by the Lord into ripe fields and I am like a tree planted by the waters that bear fruit in season. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

#### **Global Missions**

- a. Colombia
- b. Comoros
- c. Democratic Republic of the Congo
- d. Republic of the Congo
- e. Cook Islands
- 13. Pray that Christians in **Colombia** will be firmly rooted in biblical truth and shine as salt and light in the nation.
- 14. Ask the Lord to ignite a powerful revival in **Comoros** that will cause the unrighteous to turn to the Lord.
- 15. Pray for a spiritual awakening in the **Democratic Republic of the Congo**, leading unbelievers to surrender to the lordship of Jesus Christ.
- 16. Pray for the establishment and growth of more churches in the **Republic of the Congo**.
- 17. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring conviction of sin and transformation as the word of God is preached during crusades and Christian outreaches in the **Cook Islands**.

#### **Work and Career**

- 18. Bless God for the work of your hands and the career you are pursuing.
- 19. Ask God for divine wisdom to be fruitful and have dominion in your field of work.
- 20. Pray for fresh ideas that will help you advance in your work to the glory of God.
- 21. Magnify the name of the Lord for all the blessings of increase He is bringing you as you seek to honour Him.

#### Gathering

- 22. Thank the Lord for the rich harvest you are gathering and will continue to gather till the end of the year.
- 23. Ask God to direct your paths in new fields in your pursuits; thank God for opportunities to gather in a harvest.
- 24. Pray for courage to launch out into the deep and chart new paths you have never walked before, in your life.
- 25. Ask God to help you build the capacity to gather and preserve the harvest He is bringing.

## **Declaration**

I thank God for the work of my hands. All my lines are falling in pleasant places. The Lord will establish me as I live my life by His word and enable me to be fruitful and multiply. All that has been laid up for me will not be withheld from me. In Jesus' name, **Amen.** 

# Scripture for Reflection Ezra 7:8-10

And Ezra came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which was in the seventh year of the king. On the first day of the first month he began his journey from Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month he came to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon him. For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel.

#### **Declaration**

I search God's word daily, and it gives me great counsel and direction for life. By His guidance, I launch out into the deep to gather in a great catch. I will not miss the opportunities the Lord brings my way today and in the days to come. In Jesus' name, **Amen.** 



## PURSUE GOD'S COUNSEL

And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." (Acts 9:17)

# Morning Reflection Acts 9:10 - 19

Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight." Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake." And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

#### Consecration

- 1. Thank God that in Christ, you have been delivered from the power of sin.
- 2. Ask the Lord to help you resist worldliness and live a life of godliness that honors Him.
- 3. Ask the Lord to cleanse your heart and mind from all corrupt imaginations.
- 4. Declare that you and your household will live according to godly counsel.

#### Guidance

- 5. Pray that your spirit will be sensitive and obedient to the voice of the Lord.
- 6. Pray that you would not lean on your own understanding as you walk with God, but that you will wholly depend on Him.
- 7. Pray that your convictions in life will be founded on the Word of God.
- 8. Ask the Lord to help you live purposefully each day and redeem the time He gives you on earth.

- 9. Pray that you will follow the leading of the Holy Spirit always and be preserved from destructive choices and habits.
- 10. Ask the Lord to take ungodly passions and affections out of your heart; pray that you will not walk the paths of the ungodly.
- 11. Pray that you and your household will serve the Lord; declare that no scheme of the enemy will prevail against you as you do.
- 12. Confess that because the Lord is your strength, you will overcome every challenge and setback in your life.

I confess Jesus as my Lord and Savior. He is the Good Shepherd who leads me and provides for me. I trust in His guidance and follow His path. By His leading, I am delivered from every plot and scheme of the enemy. I declare this in Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

#### **Global Missions**

- a. Costa Rica
- b. Cote D'Ivoire
- c. Croatia
- d. Cuba
- 13. Intercede for Costa Rica, that Christian leaders will be effective as they work to build church of God there.
- 14. Pray that the Church in **Cote D'Ivoire**, will be enabled by the Holy Spirit to teach right doctrine and establish the church on truth of God's word.
- 15. Come against religious and ethnic barriers that limit the growth of Christianity in **Croatia**; pray that there will be breakthrough in the work of the church.
- 16. Rebuke the demonic stronghold of poverty, crime and drugs in **Cuba**; pray that the church will be a guiding light for redemption from these strongholds.

#### **Work and Career**

- 17. Ask the Lord to help you be diligent in your work and elevate you in your field of endeavour.
- 18. Pray that the righteous will excel in every sector of work and be a positive influence for moral and ethical labour.
- 19. Ask the Lord to bless the work of your hands and enable you to contribute meaningfully to the development of your nation.
- 20. Pray that the eyes of people will be opened to see the benefit of working for the Lord.

# Gathering

- 21. Bless the Lord for anointing you this year to gather souls and resources to the glory of His name.
- 22. Declare that all efforts of the enemy to stifle the work of the church in your nation shall not prosper.
- 23. Pray that in this season of prayer and fasting, there will be manifestations of signs and wonders in your life.
- 24. Prophesy that all nations of the world will gather in worship of Jesus our Lord.

# **Declaration**

Blessed be the name of the Lord! Among the gods, there is none like Him. To Him be all glory and honor. I declare that the nations will quickly turn to the Lord. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

## Scripture for Reflection Acts 9:10-19

Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight." Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake." And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

## **Declaration**

From the rising of the sun till the going down of the same, God's name shall be praised. The paths of the just shine brighter and brighter. Therefore, I declare that this is my season of God's glory. As I pursue godly counsel, I grow from strength to strength and from glory to glory. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 



## **EXERCISE DISCERNMENT**

And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? (Mark 2:6-8)

# Morning Reflection Mark 2:1-12

And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

#### Consecration

- 1. Thank God for the power of His blood that cleanses you from all sin.
- 2. Confess to the Lord that you and your household are available for His use in expanding His Kingdom.
- 3. Ask the Lord to sanctify you and your household unto Himself for His purposes.
- 4. Pray for discernment to guide you on your life's journey at all times.

#### Guidance

- 5. Ask the Lord to help you hear and discern His voice above all other voices.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in discovering ways to serve and please God in all your endeavours.
- Pray for wisdom to gracefully accept or refuse opportunities based on the counsel of God's word.
- 8. Pray that as you dedicate time to pray, fast, and study God's word, you will grow in knowledge and understanding of God.

#### **Protection**

- 9. Pray that your relationship with the Lord will remain steadfast and unshaken in all seasons of your life.
- 10. Pray that ministers of the gospel will be sensitive to discern the Spirit of Christ and teach under the anointing and power of the Holy Spirit.
- 11. Pray that Christian leaders will uphold the righteous standards of God's word and walk blamelessly before Him.
- 12. Ask God to reveal Himself to young people and guide them away from the allure of youthful lusts and lead them into a life of holiness and obedience.

#### **Declaration**

My heart recognizes and praises God for His unwavering faithfulness. I am filled with gratitude and my mouth overflows with thanks for all He has done. I will testify of the unending goodness of the Lord. He will grant me discernment as I earnestly seek Him. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

#### **Global Missions**

- a. Cyprus
- b. Czech Republic
- c. Denmark
- d. Diibouti
- 13. Intercede for **Cyprus**, that the Holy Spirit will draw religious Cypriots into a personal and intimate relationship with Christ.
- 14. Pray for the **Czech Republic**, that there would be a revival; declare that souls will be saved and discipled.
- 15. Intercede for **Denmark** that the Lord will break the power of atheism and agnosticism; declare that Christianity will be embraced.
- 16. Pray for **Djibouti** that the church will prevail over the power of false religion and lawlessness.

# **Work and Career**

- 17. Ask the Lord to help you to be discerning in your work and career pursuits.
- 18. Ask the Lord to grant you wisdom to help you live a balanced life.
- 19. Ask God to show you how to use your career as a tool for the advancement of His Kingdom.
- 20. Pray that the Lord will flood your heart with His counsel and guidance about every decision you are making.

#### Gathering

- 21. Ask the Lord to help you use your talents effectively and be a blessing to humanity.
- 22. Pray that in this year your client-base and patrons will increase.
- 23. Pray that the prophetic word of gathering this year shall be a daily reality in your life.
- 24. Thank the Lord for the great testimonies He is giving you for prayers answered.

I thank God for His leading through His word and His Spirit. The steps of the righteous are ordered by the Lord. I am righteous in Christ; therefore, I declare that my steps are ordered and live by the inspiration and discernment of the Holy Spirit. It is my portion. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

# Scripture for Reflection Psalm 29:3 – 9

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; The God of glory thunders; The Lord is over many waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful; The voice of the Lord is full of majesty. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars, Yes, the Lord splinters the cedars of Lebanon. He makes them also skip like a calf, Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox. The voice of the Lord divides the flames of fire. The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; The Lord shakes the Wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth, and strips the forests bare; and in His temple everyone says, "Glory!"

#### Declaration

All glory belongs to God. He my Shepherd, therefore I shall not lack any good thing. He guides me along the path of righteousness and though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil. I prevail in life through discernment. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 



# **GOD IS WITH YOU**

Now the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, "Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent; 10 for I am with you, and no one will attack you to hurt you; for I have many people in this city." (Acts 18:9-10)

# Morning Reflection Acts 18:5-11

When Silas and Timothy had come from Macedonia, Paul was compelled by the Spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus is the Christ. But when they opposed him and blasphemed, he shook his garments and said to them, "Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean. From now on I will go to the Gentiles." And he departed from there and entered the house of a certain man named Justus, one who worshiped God, whose house was next door to the synagogue. Then Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his household. And many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed and were baptized. Now the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, "Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent; for I am with you, and no one will attack you to hurt you; for I have many people in this city." And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

#### Consecration

- 1. Thank God for His cleansing power and His gift of salvation.
- 2. Commit your household into the hands of the Lord and ask Him to set you apart unto Him.
- 3. Pray for the cleansing power of God to reach the ends of the world and cleanse all who call upon the name of the Lord.
- 4. Ask the Lord to keep you and your household rooted in the word of God.

#### Guidance

- 5. Ask the Lord to reveal His will for your life to you through His word.
- 6. Commit all your decisions and choices into the hands of the Lord and ask Him for assurance in your heart that He is with you always.
- 7. Pray for divine courage and faith to do the will of God for your life.
- 8. Ask the Lord for a heart of obedience to trust His leading in every circumstance.

- 9. Ask the Lord to surround your household with His banner of protection.
- 10. Pray against any attacks of the enemy as you progress in your life; declare that His presence will keep you in safety.
- 11. Ask God to raise men who will be your advocate and speak on your behalf.
- 12. Ask God to strengthen your mind against doubts, fears and anxieties.

I thank the Lord for His presence with me. I praise Him for shielding me and my household from all the wiles of the enemy. I declare I will fulfill purpose by the help of God. In Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Global Missions**

- a. Dominica
- b. Dominican Republic
- c. Ecuador
- d. Egypt
- e. El Salvador
- 13. Pray for an outpouring of God's spirit in the church in **Dominica**.
- 14. Pray for revival and the spread of the gospel in **Dominican Republic**.
- 15. Ask the Lord to build up His church in **Ecuador**, that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
- 16. Pray for the church in **Egypt** to experience a wave of God's transforming power and grace.
- 17. Ask God to strengthen and encourage Christians in **El Salvador** to hold on to their faith in perilous times.

#### **Work and Career**

- 18. Ask the Lord to open your eyes and reveal obstacles to avoid on your career path.
- 19. Pray for divine direction and clarity concerning your work and career.
- 20. Ask the Lord to send divine helpers to support you in your career and field of work.
- 21. Pray for courage and increased faith to pursue God's vision for your life in work.

#### Gathering

- 22. Ask God to open your eyes and lead you to greener pastures and still waters in this year of gathering.
- 23. Ask the Lord to help you exercise dominion over all that He has entrusted into your hand.
- 24. Declare that under the anointing of the spirit of gathering, you will run with speed and fly like the eagle in all your pursuits.
- 25. Pray for strength and courage to pursue and gather what you have lost.

#### **Declaration**

I thank the Lord for being my shield and refuge in every situation. I declare that the heavens are open over the church, the work of my hands and my pursuits. I am led by the spirit of God to gather in souls and substance in Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

# Scripture for Reflection Isaiah 43: 1-7

But now, thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the Lord your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in your place. Since you were precious in My sight, you have been honoured, aAnd I have loved you; therefore I will give men for you, and people for your life. Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your descendants from the east, and gather you from the west; I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, and My daughters from the ends of the earth— Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him."

#### **Declaration**

I declare that I am the chosen of the Lord and I am precious in His sight. The Lord is with me as a mighty protector. I proclaim that I shall gather in all that the Lord has for me in this season. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** 





