25 Jeff and Cherie Estes, TrueHope Church, Sheridan. Pray that they will practice servant leadership, edifying the congregation with wisdom and serving with God's agape love (Gal. 5:13; Ephes. 6:7; Mark 10:43; John 13:5-9; Phil. 2:3-4).

26 Maurice and LaDina Brister, Unity Bible Baptist Church, North Little Rock. Pray for spiritual unity in the church staff and among the spiritual leadership of the church (elders, deacons, etc.). Pray that the enemy will not be allowed to create divisions, strife, or misunderstanding among the church leaders (Rom. 12: 18, 14:19; 1 Corin. 1:10-31).

27 David and Lauren Bright, Church at the Well, Rogers. Pray that God will give David a clear, biblical vision of what the church can be and should be for His glory and that David will communicate that vision clearly and confidently to the church (Prov. 29:18; John 15:16; 17:17).

28 Bose and Shiny Varghese, Family Church South Asian, Centerton. Pray that they will seek God for personal revival and revival in the church and community (2 Chron. 7:14; Psalm 69:32). Pray that they will think biblically, with the mind of Christ (1 Corin. 2:16; Col. 2:6-8; Ephes. 4:17).

29 Robby and Cynthia Tingle, Living Hope Baptist Church, North Little Rock. Pray that they will earnestly seek God's will and be committed to instant and complete obedience—ready for God to work powerfully in and through their ministry (2 Corin. 10:3-5; Luke 9:23-24).

30 David and April Cox, Oak Hill Bible Church, Conway. Pray that they will strive for personal excellence and will believe God for all He wants to do in the congregation (2 Peter 1:3; Col. 3:23-24). Pray that they will be people of faith and have a passionate love for God, not giving in to worries, fears, or an uptight and anxious spirit (1 John 4:18; Prov. 3:5-6).

31 Fall Outreach and Halloween. As church planters serve the Lord, ask God to provide for their financial needs. Pray that they will be wise stewards of both personal finances and church funds (Phil. 4:19; Heb. 13:5; 1 Tim. 6:6-11; Psalm 37:25).

For Pastor Appreciation Month, we took prayer requests from the Revive Our Hearts "Praying for Your Pastor Challenge: A 30-Day Guide." We encourage you to use these scriptures and prayer requests for your pastor, sending church pastors, and others serving the Lord in ministry positions. For the complete 30-day prayer guide go to:

https://www.reviveourhearts.com/articles/30-day-praying-for-your-pastor-challenge/

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1 Happy Birthday, Ahmad Muqtasid! He and his wife, Tagel, are planting City of Mosaic Church in Conway. Pray that they will love God with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength. Pray that God's Spirit will work in their hearts in power and that they will value and follow biblical priorities (Deut. 6:5; Matt. 6:33).

2 Happy Birthday, Neal Scoggins! He and his wife, Erin, are planting Impact Inner City Church in Little Rock. Pray that they will cultivate strong character and uncompromising integrity. Pray that their testimony will be genuine and that they will never do anything that they would need to hide from others (1 Tim. 1:5, 3:7; Ephes. 6:10-12).

3 Happy Birthday, Douglas Jones! He is a church planting apprentice with Impact Inner City Church and will be planting Agape Church in Hot Springs. Pray for his personal walk with God—that his soul and spirit will be nourished and strengthened in his quiet time with God, beyond his sermon preparation. Pray that he will spend more time in the Word of God than reading Christian books and articles (Mark 1:35; 2 Tim. 2:15-16).

4 Today, Send Network Arkansas is hosting the training, "Understanding and Responding to Complex Trauma: Loving and Caring for People from Hard Places." Pray for church planting wife, Gretchen Smeltzer, as she leads this training and that those who attend will be better equipped to help people who are walking through trauma to experience the healing Jesus offers.

5 One Day Mission Trip in Pulaski County. Pray for individuals and churches who will gather across Pulaski County to share the Gospel through block parties, nursing home ministry, prayer walking, construction projects, etc. Ask God to use today's outreach event to draw people to Himself and grow His church.

6 Nick and Emily Hendren, Family Church, Siloam Springs. Pray that they will counsel and teach with discernment through the wise use of Scripture and faith in God's power to work. Pray that they will be protected from the effects of sinful or negative attitudes that they encounter as they counsel (James 1:5; John 17:15).

7 Torvac Amos, Fresh Start Community Church, Sherwood. Ask God to heal any hurts that he has suffered in the ministry. Pray that he will serve the Lord with gladness and encourage the congregation to worship God with a joyful, surrendered spirit (Isaiah 61:3).

- **8** Norberto and Patricia Gutiérrez, Iglesia Bautista Woodland Heights en Español, Conway. Ask God to protect their marriage and keep it strong as a model of Christ's relationship with the Church. Pray that Norberto will tenderly cherish and lead his wife and that she will respect and encourage her husband, submitting to his leadership (Ephes. 5:23-33).
- **9 Kyle and Andrea Fowler, The Summit Church Bentonville.** Pray for their children and especially that the pressures of the ministry will not discourage or embitter them. Pray that Kyle will provide godly leadership in the home, not based on fear of what others will think, but according to scriptural truth (Ephes. 6:4; Col. 3:20-21).
- **10** Demetrick and Patricia Andrews, Faith Outreach Church, El Dorado. Ask God to protect this family from the evil plots of Satan. Pray that they will not be corrupted as they rub shoulders with the world in the course of ministry (John 17:15; Isaiah 54:17; 2 Corin. 2:11; 1 Peter 3:12; Psalm 91: 9-11).
- **11 Nicholas and Batina Walker, Helm Church, Carthage.** Pray that God will build a hedge of protection around their marriage and that he and his wife will be aware of the potential for any improper relationships. Pray that their family time will be protected (Ezekiel 22:30; 2 Corin. 10:4-5; Matt. 19:6).
- **12** Daniel and Nelly Armendáriz, Family Church en Español, Siloam Springs. Pray that they will use discernment in use of email, the internet, and other media. Ask God to guard their hearts concerning the use of free time. Pray that they will be morally pure and that they will wear the armor of God so that they will not fall into sexual temptation (Rom. 13:14; 1 Peter 1:16; Ephes. 6:10-18; 2 Corin. 10:4).
- 13 Happy Birthday, Stacy Baldwin! She and her husband, Brian, are planting Hope City Church in Jacksonville. Pray that God will bring godly friends and encouragers to this family to strengthen them for the ministry and provide meaningful fellowship and times of rest (Phil. 2:19-25).
- **14 Charles and Dee Simmons, Connect Church, Little Rock.** Pray that they will be humble and authentic in their faith, not given to pride or hypocrisy. Pray that they will have pure motives and give God glory for every gain or victory (Micah 6:8; Gal. 6:14; John 7: 17-18; 1 Corin. 10:1-13).
- **15** Chris and Renee DuBose, The Oaks Church, Cave Springs. Pray that they will make wise lifestyle choices in order to protect their health, especially in the areas of exercise, eating moderately, and getting sufficient rest. Pray for times of relaxation and renewal to balance the stress of ministry (Rom. 12: 1-2; 1 Corin. 6:19-20; 9:27).

- **16 Blake and Sarah Duvall, Be Church, Austin.** Pray that Blake will focus on the Word of God and walk in the fear of the Lord—rather than fear of man—as he prepares his messages. Pray that they will seek to please God rather than men and pursue holiness rather than the praise of men (Acts 6:4; Prov. 19:23; 2 Tim. 2:15, 4:1-2; Hebrews 11:6).
- 17 Courtney Miller, City of Refuge Church, Little Rock. Praise God for his leadership and pray that he will make godly decisions. Pray that he will lead with a shepherd's heart and that he will always speak the truth in love (1 Kings 3:9; 1 Peter 5:2; Rom. 12:6-8; Jer. 3:15).
- **18** Chad and Julie Graves, Compass Church of Southside. Pray that Chad will be courageous in the pulpit in proclaiming Christ and confident in his use of the Word of God. Ask God to help him preach with insight, transparency, and humility (Col. 1:28, 4:3; Ephes. 6:19).
- **19** James and Bertha Bell, Victory Ministries Church, Conway. Pray that James will be a "Great Commission man"—committed to personal evangelism and the equipping of the saints to seek the lost. Pray that they will have a heart to develop a thriving missions program in the church (Rom. 10:15; Matt. 28:19-20; Luke 19:10).
- **20 Mission Connection/ABSC Pastors' Conference/Annual Meeting, FBC Geyer Springs.** Ask God to move today through Wednesday as we gather to celebrate what God is doing in Arkansas.
- **21** Michael and Chassity Partain, Emmanuel Cowboy Church, Brookland. Pray that Michael will be a man of prayer and worship and that he will lead by example—teaching the congregation how to walk in a close relationship with the Father (1 Thess. 5:17; Acts 1:14; Mark 1:35).
- **22 Donnell and Tanya Ford, Full Faith Community Church, Magnolia.** Pray that they will use wise time management and that they will seek God's perspective for their schedule, guarding their time against unnecessary interruptions (Ephes. 5:15-16; Col. 4:5; Psalm 90:12; John 9:4).
- 23 Happy Birthday, Gaby Vazquez! She and her husband, Manolo, are planting Iglesia Bautista Bíblica in Texarkana. Pray for a fresh divine anointing of their ministry. Pray that God's working will be powerfully evident both in their personal life and the spiritual life of the congregation (1 Corin. 9:27; 2 Tim. 1:7; Rom. 15:18-19).
- **24** Jonathan and Mandi Johnson, Compass View Church, Mountain View. Pray that they will not give in to discouragement, but will deal with inevitable criticism and conflict by committing themselves into the hands of God, who judges righteously (1 Peter 2:23).