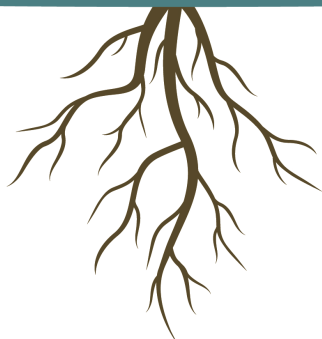


# DEEP ROOTS



## Deep Roots Neighborhood Prayer Guide

Thank you for participating in our church-wide Deep Roots Prayer Walk! We're asking God to enlarge our hearts for our neighbors as we come to Him in prayer on their behalf.

There are a few different ways you can use the prayer guide as a tool to help you pray during your prayer walk and in the days ahead.

You could focus on God's listed attributes and pray your neighbors would experience Him in these ways.

You could read aloud the prayers included under each attribute.

You could pray from the Scriptures listed and insert the names of the neighbors that you know.

You could simply pray as prompted by the Holy Spirit after reviewing the attributes and prayers included in the guide.

## **CREATOR**

Lord, you water the trees abundantly and in them birds build their nests. (Psalm 104:16). We pray that your good news would set captives free and they would one day be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord that you may be glorified. (Is. 61: 3)

We join the heavens in declaring your glory. We join the sky in bearing witness to the work of your hands. (Psalm 19:1)

May we be like trees planted by streams of water, yielding its fruit in season." (Psalm 1:2-3)

## **REVEALER OF TRUTH**

May our neighbors see You as "the Way, the Truth, and the Life." John 14:6

May the truth of God's Word be clearly heard and understood in our community (Titus 3:4-7) and allow them to experience freedom in Christ. (Isaiah 61:1)

May our neighbors grasp the depth, breath, and height of God's love for them (Eph. 3:18) setting their hearts and minds on things above, not on earthly things. (Col. 3:1-2)

May they be drawn to place their faith in God to experience the peace that comes only through Christ. (Romans 5:1)

## **LIGHT**

May our neighbors recognize their need for a Savior and fix their eyes upon Jesus the author and perfecter of their faith. (Hebrew 12:1-2)

Give our neighbors a desire to know you. May the eyes of their hearts be enlightened to hope in Christ (Ephesians 1:17-18).

May area community churches and schools be places where biblical Truth is taught and lived out. May the schools be filled with teachers and students willing to stand for Truth and be defenders of the Gospel message. May your grace be seen wherever our neighbors gather.

## **RIGHTEOUS RULER OF ALL**

May neighbors be submissive to rulers and authorities, be obedient, be ready for every good work, speak evil of no one, avoid quarreling, be gentle, and show perfect courtesy toward all people. (Titus 3:1-2)

May they lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. (1 Tim. 2:1-3)

May our neighbors in leadership positions have integrity in dealing with each other. Pour your spirit upon them and make your Word known to them.

May they clothe themselves with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." (1 Peter 5:5)

## **PROTECTOR**

Shield us with your faithfulness. Deliver us from that which seeks to harm us. You are the Most High. Teach us how to abide in the shadow of the Almighty. You are our refuge and fortress, in whom we trust. (Psalm 91)

May this neighborhood enjoy God's hedge of protection and be protected from the Evil One. May any scheme to harm it be disrupted.

## **LOVE**

May our neighbors turn to you as a response to what you have done for them. Cause them to confess their sin, turn to you for forgiveness and be cleansed from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)

May parents and children come to know You and have good communication with each other. That children would be loved well, safe and taught about You. God, may you be honored in these homes. May these homes be places where love, laughter, mercy, respect and peace flow freely.

May husbands love their wives as you love the church and reflect your faithfulness that is new for us each morning. That marriages would be filled with mercy just as you are merciful to us. That homes would be pictures of your steadfast love. (Lam. 2:22-23). Restore broken marriages with your grace.

May children and teenagers obey and honor their parents in the Lord (Eph 6:1-3). May their faith in You grow and be encouraged in their homes.

May every child in this neighborhood have all of their physical, social and spiritual needs met. May they be encouraged by neighbors and find godly mentors and role models easily.



## **COMFORTER**

Surround the elderly, those who are hurting and those who are alone with caring neighbors. Make this neighborhood a place of heartfelt hospitality.

Sustain, save and rescue them! Open their eyes of their hearts that they may know you. For in you, there is abundant life. (Leviticus 19:34)

May we serve them vigorously and tangibly and be inspired to be the hands and feet of God. May we offer them the comfort you offer us.

May we build relationships with those different than us in our midst who wander and feel alone in their struggles; showing them that they too are designed by God and in need of truth.

## **HEALER**

Tear down strongholds that threaten to destroy lives. May the truth of your word break through the lies of the Enemy and topple idols. Draw those who wander in darkness to your glorious light. Joy is found in you alone.

Free them from the shackles of shame and unforgiveness.

## **FRIEND**

May our neighbors see opportunities to serve the needs of those around them. (John 13:14, Philippians 2:4) and may they serve in such a way that leads to connection, community, and authentic relationships (Galatians 6:9-10)

May this neighborhood practice hospitality by bringing others into their lives, homes, and hearts. (Hebrews 13:2)

## **SAVIOR**

We ask you, Lord of the Harvest, to send co-laborers into this harvest, our neighborhood. You make the clouds your chariot and ride on the wings of the wind (Psalm 104: 3) Every cloud reminds us that you are coming back the same way you left. (Acts 1:8-11). Come, Lord Jesus! (Rev. 22:20)

