

GENERATIONAL HEALING SERVICE

The Blessing Place of Western North Carolina

What you will need for this healing service:

- Your Family Tree Genogram filled out and your Bible
- A printed version of this liturgy if possible
- A cross that you can easily pick up with one hand
- A heart and mind open to the healing work of God

Opening Song

Prayer

Leader: let us pray together

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, Jesus Christ, King of Kings and Lord of Lords; mercifully grant that the generations of our families which we bring before you now, may be freed from all consequences of sin and hurt they have received. Free our families from all the legacies of our generational wounds and enrich our families with the blessings of the good graces handed down within our family lines. Bring us all afresh under the power of the gracious rule of Jesus who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Exodus 34: 5-7

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

John 14: 1-15

Reflection on Readings

A Generational Confession (using Daniel's words from Chapter 9)

Leader: Let us pray together

O God, I turn to you to make confession on behalf of my family, past and present, saying: Gracious God, keeping covenant and steadfast love with those who love you and keep your commandments, we have sinned and done wrong. We have acted wickedly and rebelled. We have turned aside from your commandments. We have turned away from you.

O merciful and loving God, listen to the prayer of your servant and the requests I bring to you on behalf of my family and myself. Incline your ear, O my God, and hear. Open your eyes and look at our desolation, our sadness, our loneliness. We do not present our supplication before you on the ground of our righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercies. O Lord, hear! O lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act and do not delay!
In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

A Generational Litany

Leader Almighty and ever living God, we bring to you in prayer ourselves and our family ancestors. We thank you for all of those in our family lines who graciously passed down to us the good gifts that have blessed us. We also pray for deliverance and healing from all the damages and hurts that others in our family have sown in our family lines.
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer*

Leader: We ask for your forgiveness of those in past generations who have sinned against you and worshipped false gods or practiced any form of idolatry. Please break the holds these sins have in our family lines. In particular we name before you.....
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: We ask for your forgiveness for those in our past and present generations who have sinned against you and hurt others by holding on to anger, unforgiveness and unrepentant bitterness. In particular we name before you....
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: We ask your forgiveness for those in our past and present generations who were slave owners, were members of hate groups of any kind and who have maimed or taken someone's life. Please break the hold these sins have in our family lines.. In particular we name before you...
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: We ask your forgiveness for those of our past family members who engaged in any form of occult activity, any form of witchcraft or satanic rituals along with their binding contracts and covenants. In the name of Jesus Christ and by the power of his shed blood we renounce and break all ties to these practices and their effects both upon the dead and the living. In particular we name before you....
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: We ask your forgiveness for all ungodly soul ties, all ungodly sexual unions and practices within our present and past families. Jesus Christ set us free from all the consequential and destructive legacies of these acts and call us to walk in newness of life in the renewing power of your Holy Spirit. In particular we name before you....
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Heavenly Father we commit into your hands all our family members who committed suicide, were stillborn, aborted or who died an untimely death. *(This could be an opportune moment to invite folk to name the aborted and stillborn lives as a way of honoring them and commending them to God's ongoing care.)* We thank you that all such children are being raised and educated in heaven and we therefore commend them to your holding grace until we meet again. And in the name of Jesus Christ and by his shed blood we break the hold of the spirit of death upon our families past and present.
Lord in your mercy...

People: *Hear our prayer*

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, and by his shed blood, we now cut every person free from all generationally inherited sins, weaknesses, character defects, mental, biological and genetic disorders. We cut off any family legacies that lead to addictions of any kind. We surrender to Jesus all shame,

guilt, self-hatred, confusion, fears and infirmities, anger and depression and all self destructive behaviour that have their root in our generational sins. We cut off all links to all evil resulting from our generational legacies and rededicate ourselves to God's most holy company and service through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

ALL: AMEN

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: Almighty God who is Lord of the living in this world and the next, forgive all the sins of our family mentioned here today; by his mighty grace, be set free from all that has bound us to these sins and be filled afresh with his healing Holy Spirit so that we may walk in newness of the risen life of Christ. Amen.

PRAYER OF TAKING AUTHORITY *(pray together)*

In the name of Jesus and with the power and authority that he has given me, I take authority over all the family generational sins and struggles that I have just renounced. I place all my family iniquities and sinful behaviors at the foot of your cross. Jesus, I open the door and invite you to come into all areas of my family history, setting us free from any remaining residue or influence of the Evil One....setting us free to receive the new life that God desires for my family and myself.

Now Lord, I pray that you would bless my family, and bless me, with a fresh infilling of your Holy Spirit, cleansing us, strengthening us, empowering us to walk in your ways and delight in your will, to the glory of your name. Amen.

SURRENDERING FAMILY LEGACY TO JESUS

We now invite you to take your family genogram/worksheet and place it under the cross you have at home. This is an act of surrendering your entire Family Legacy to Jesus. Take your time in doing this, sharing anything with Jesus that you want to and listening for any words that he wants to share with you.

PRAYERS OF FAMILY BLESSINGS (pray together)

Jesus, I thank you and praise you for your love and forgiveness for all my family members, past, present and those to come. Jesus, in your name,

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with the loving presence of Jesus. I bless each of us with a growing desire to know Him and be drawn near to Him.

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with the Light of Christ, the Light that disperses all darkness, freeing us to see clearly the path of life that God desires for each of us.

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with a fresh infilling of the Holy Spirit, renewing and restoring each of us in all areas of our lives; strengthening and empowering us to walk with Jesus in joyful obedience to God from this day forward.

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with a deep thirst for scripture....to read, understand and apply daily God's Word in all areas of our lives.

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with loving Christian friends who will walk with us and support us as new creations in Christ. I bless us with church homes where we are free to worship with praise and thanksgiving and grow in faith to serve God and God's people.

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with a deep longing to come home to our true selves, God's beloved children...daughters and sons of the Most High.

I bless all members of my family, including myself, with the shield of faith to protect us from all hurt and influence of Satan and his minions this and every day.

I bless all my family members, including myself, with the most perfect blessing that God desires for each of us right at this moment.

Take time to listen to the Holy Spirit for more blessing prayers, especially related to your family generational struggles. Go ahead and continue to speak blessings over your family and yourself....all in Jesus' name.

THE PEACE

Leader: The Jesus who holds all your families, living and departed,
in his hands, walk afresh into your hearts this day.
The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

CLOSING SONG

(Liturgy for this healing service was written by Rev. Russ Parker and Rev John Rice)