

To MAC: 40 Day Prayer Guide

One year ago that we corporately prayed through a 40 day prayer guide to fill the role of Lead Pastor. God has immeasurably poured out His abundant answers to our prayers! We praise God for His deep unending provision of grace, mercy and love to MAC. "Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands." Psalm 63:3-4 We are visibly seeing the Holy Spirit at work at MAC and we long for MORE OF HIM! Jesus help us to love - the way that You love.

We invite you to join in a 40 day corporate prayer to pray for MAC and to fill the position of MAC'S future Student Pastor (Grades 7-12). To quote Stafford ... let's pray audacious prayers!

For Him...For His glory
From the Elder's Board

Day 1: (Sunday, May 5) Pray for Lead Pastor Stafford to receive clear direction and guidance from God regarding our future Student Pastor.

"Call to me and I will answer you, and I
will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known."
Jeremiah 33:3

"Truth's shining light guides me in
my choices and decisions; the revelation of your word
makes my pathway clear." Jeremiah 33:3

Day 2: (Monday, May 6) Let's invite the Holy Spirit to nudge and confirm whoever He is calling to fill the MAC Student Pastor role.

"It was Christ who gave some of his people the gift to be special workers and leaders on his behalf. He gave to some people the gift to speak messages from him. He gave to some people the gift to bring other people to himself. He gave to some people the gift to be pastors and teachers. He gave all these gifts to prepare God's people, so that they could work together as his servants. So then, as a result, Christ's body would grow and it would become stronger." Ephesians 4:11-12

"I pray that the Father of glory, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, would impart to you the riches of the Spirit of wisdom and the Spirit of revelation to know him through your deepening intimacy with him. I pray that the light of God will illuminate the eyes of your imagination, flooding you with light, until you experience the full revelation of the hope of his calling—that is, the wealth of God's glorious inheritances that he finds in us, his holy ones!"
Ephesians 1:17 & 18

Day 3: (Tuesday, May 7) May our future Student Pastor's priorities be someone who loves God and His Word. Believes that the Bible is the foundation of life, full of God's true and living riches, attesting to His infinite grace and authority for faith and life.

John 17:17 "Sanctify them in the truth
[set them apart for Your purposes,
make them holy]; Your word is truth."

Day 4: (Wednesday, May 8) Ask God that our new Student Pastor realizes and fully believes that all the acceptance and affirmation he/she will ever need, he/she already has in Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 12:2 "Fix our eyes on Jesus, the author
and perfecter of our faith..."

Day 5: (Thursday, May 9) Pray our Student Pastor has a passion and believes that more than anything else; the students he/she encounters need God and His Word.

John 3:16 & 17 "For this is how much God loved the world—he gave his one and only, unique Son as a gift. So now everyone who believes in him, will never perish but experience everlasting life. God did not send Son into the world to judge and condemn the world, but to be its Saviour and rescue it."

Your word is a lamp to walk by,
and a light to illumine my path. Psalm 119:105

Day 6: (Friday, May 10) God is omniscient (all knowing). It's possible that God has begun to prompt someone for position of MAC Student Pastor. Pray he/she hears and responds to His will.

Listen now to my voice; I will give you counsel, and God will be with you. Exodus 18:19

Day 7: (Saturday, May 11) Pray for the parents/guardians of children and youth at MAC.

Jesus said "Let all the little children come to me and never hinder them! Don't you know that God's kingdom realm exists for such as these? Listen to the truth I speak: Whoever does not open their arms to receive God's kingdom like a teachable child will never enter it." Then he embraced each child, and laying his hands on them, he lovingly blessed each one."

Mark 10:14-16

"Give careful attention to your spiritual life and every cherished truth you teach, for living what you preach will then release even more abundant life inside you and to all those who listen to you."

1 Timothy 4:16

Day 8: (Sunday, May 12) Join in prayer for a Student Pastor who longs to be available to students and families, willing to listen, who can teach the Bible to youth in a compelling way.

May the words of my mouth
and the meditation of my heart
be pleasing to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

Day 9: (Monday, May 13) Pray Student Pastor practises humility, whose main concern isn't being popular but that students hear the gospel of God's grace over and over again.

"Be humble yourselves before the Lord,
and he will lift you up." James 4:10

Day 10: (Tuesday, May 14) May our Student Pastor who have a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ and a commitment to follow biblical principles for life and ministry.

Commit your way to the LORD;
Trust him, and he will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness as a light...
Psalm 37:5-6

Day 11: (Wednesday, May 15) Pray for great chemistry, healthy and meaningful connections among the MAC staff. Great chemistry makes the tough times endurable and the good times extraordinary.

"Complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, and being in full accord and of one mind." Philippians 2:1

Day 12: (Thursday, May 16) Holy Spirit give Stafford buckets of wisdom to know who God is calling to MAC. Give Stafford discernment and rest in God's timing until He reveals His choice for MAC.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take." Proverbs 3:5-6

Day 13: (Friday, May 17) Let's pray "Build My Life" corporately. May we impact others by loving those around us. Name someone you might pray for - with whom you can share Jesus.

Worthy of every song WE could ever sing.
Worthy of all the praise WE could ever bring.
Worthy of every breath WE could ever breathe.
WE live for you.

Jesus the name above every other name.
Jesus the only one who could save.
Worthy of every breath WE could ever breathe.
WE live for you.

Oh WE live for you.

Holy there is no one like you
There is none besides you

**Open up OUR eyes in wonder
Show US who you are and fill US
With your heart and lead US
In love to those around US.**

And WE will build OUR life upon your love it is a firm foundation.

And WE will put OUR trust in you alone and
WE will not be shaken.

Day 14: (Saturday, May 18) Enable our Student Pastor to see the value of our youth and value their participation/involvement at MAC.

King Josiah became King at the age of 8 years old and was one of the best kings that nation ever had. Why? Because he went throughout the nation and tore down the idols and turned his people back to the one true god. He was committed to Jesus. Sold out for God. For him, it was all or nothing.

We lust after much (idols) these days. Francis Chan says "Our greatest fear should not be of failure but of succeeding at things in life that don't really matter". Christ gave us His very best. The very least Christ deserves is the very best we can give Him.

Day 15: (Sunday, May 19) Pray our Student Pastor will "be equipped for every good work".

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work."
2 Timothy 3:16-17

Day 16: (Monday, May 20) Our national C&MA vision prayer:

O God, with all our hearts, we long for You. Come, transform us to be Christ-centred, Spirit-empowered, Mission-focused people, multiplying disciples everywhere.

Day 17: (Tuesday, May 21) Thank God for our current youth who have made such an impact on MAC/community in the past, present and will in the future.

“Don’t let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12

“How can a young man stay pure? Only by living in the word of God and walking in its truth.” Psalms 119:9

Day 18: (Wednesday, May 22) Pray blessings over Pastor Henry and the ministries he is responsible for. He desires to be purposeful for Jesus. May the Holy Spirit reveal and fulfill His plan and purposes as Henry seeks counsel from God.

“Remember this, and take courage...Remember [carefully] the former things [which I did] from ages past; For I am God, and there is no one else; I am God, and there is no one like Me, Declaring the end and the result from the beginning, And from ancient times the things which have not [yet] been done, Saying, ‘My purpose will be established, And I will do all that pleases Me and fulfills My purpose,’”
Isaiah 46:8-10

Day 19: (Thursday, May 23) Pray our MAC vision statement isn’t strictly head knowledge but that we corporately “live in” alignment with these 3 statements...possible through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. For now is the time to seek Him.

Committed to Jesus
Investing in Each Other
Impacting the World

Day 20: (Friday, May 24) Pray the staff, elder board and MAC body has a laser sharp focus and a passion to equipping one another to become disciples who make disciples.

“Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus. You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.” 2 Timothy 2:1-2

Day 21: (Saturday, May 25) Enable our Student Pastor the ability to provide a healthy and strong transition between kids and student ministry.

“Consider what I say,
for the Lord will give you understanding.”
2 Timothy 2:7

Day 22: (Sunday, May 26) As Stafford preaches on our MAC Vision, may we come to fully grasp its meaning.

Hosea 10:12 `Plant the good seeds of righteousness,
and you will harvest a crop of love.
Plow up the hard ground of your hearts,
for now is the time to seek the Lord,
that he may come
and shower righteousness upon you.’

Day 23: (Monday, May 27) Pray MAC is welcoming, loving and supportive to the Student Pastor (family). Lord Jesus help us to love, the way that you love.

“I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you too are to love one another. By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you have love and unselfish concern for one another.”
John 13:34-35

Day 24: (Tuesday, May 28) Holy Spirit we ask that you prompt the person You have in mind for this job. If this is a family, give them a united call to Morden.

Then Eli realized that it was the LORD who was calling the boy.
"Go and lie down," he said to Samuel, "and if He calls you, say,
'Speak, LORD, for Your servant is listening.'"

So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Then the LORD came and stood there, calling as before,
"Samuel! Samuel!"

And Samuel answered, "Speak, for Your servant is listening."

I Samuel 3:8-10

Day 25: (Wednesday, May 29) Begin to prepare Student pastor (and family) for the transition to MAC.

"A person may have many ideas concerning God's plan for his life,
but only the designs of his purpose will succeed in the end."

Proverbs 19:21

Day 26: (Thursday, May 30) May we live out our Commitment to Jesus. Being all in for Jesus. May we place value into investing in one another.

We have all been given a purpose and the only way to live up to and fulfill that purpose is to give God everything we have. Let's take down the idols that are impeding God's power in our lives and not only tear them down, but turn them around.

We are no longer athletes, we are ambassadors for Christ disguised as athletes. We are no longer musicians but ambassadors for Christ disguised as musicians. Let's take those things that used to take our passion, time and effort and use them as methods to invest into each other's lives. May Christ's love and power be evident daily with all we come in contact with.

God cannot use people who are partially devoted to Him. Jesus changed the world with 12 men who were willing to give everything they had - including their lives - for his purposes and plan. The only ability God requires is availability. Let's be the generation that says "God, I will give you my all because you are worthy of it." The generation that is "committed to Jesus".

Hebrews 12:1-3 "...let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us."

Day 27: (Friday, May 31) Pray over MAC staff, elder board and all volunteers. For continued spiritual growth and work of the Holy Spirit be powerful AND visible. Pray for God's protection over spiritual warfare, putting the full armour of God.

"Therefore, put on every piece of God's armour so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm." Ephesians 6:13

The armour of God, found in Ephesians 6:10-18, is made up of the following six items: the belt of truth (protects the will), the breastplate of righteousness (righteousness of God protects the heart), the shoes of the gospel (be available & ready to share the Good News), the shield of faith (protects from fiery arrows and cling to hope in Jesus), helmet of salvation (protects the mind), and the sword of the spirit (protects from lies & trust in the truth of God's Word).

Day 28 (Saturday, June 1) Pray our future Student Pastor (family) will be strengthened by the grace of Jesus Christ.

"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." Hebrews 4:16

Day 29 (Sunday, June 2) May we all use our gifts for God's glory. May we have vision to impact our community & world.

"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen."

1 Peter 4:10-11

Day 30 (Monday, June 3) Pray for MAC staff and their families. Stafford & Jo Greer (Elliot, Aowyn, Emmett), Henry & Anna Dueck (Benji, Rusty), Corinna & Brian Fehr (Jen, Laura, Ike, Logan, Octavia) Lauryl & Tyler Chamberlain (Emma, Grayson, Lyvia), Bonnie Westfall (Leah, Serena, Joseph) Jake & Lena Dyck(Sophia).

Imitate God, since you are the children he loves. Live in love as Christ also loved us. He gave his life for us as an offering and sacrifice, a soothing aroma to God." Ephesians 5:1-2

"I pray that you will continually experience the immeasurable greatness of God's power made available to you through faith. Then your lives will be an advertisement of this immense power as it works through you! This is the mighty power that was released when God raised Christ from the dead and exalted him to the place of highest honour and supreme authority in the heavenly realm!" Ephesians 1:19-20

Day 31: (Tuesday, June 4) Jesus help us to love, the way that you love.

"I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you too are to love one another. By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you have love and unselfish concern for one another."
John 13:34-35

Day 32: (Wednesday, June 5) Pray for Pastor Corinna Fehr in her new role as Community Care Pastor. May the light of Jesus shine fully through her as she cares for others.

“God’s glory is all around me! His wrap-around presence is all I need, for the Lord is my Savior, my hero, and my life-giving strength. Join me, everyone! Trust only in God every moment! Tell him all your troubles and pour out your heart-longings to him. Pause in his presence. God said to me...“All the strength and power you need flows from me!” Psalms 62:7-8, 11

Day 33: (Thursday, June 6) Pray for Lauryl Chamberlain in her new role as Children’s Pastor. Holy Spirit empower her to live fully in God's light.

“Give me revelation about the meaning of your ways. Give me an understanding heart so that I can passionately know and obey your truth.” Psalms 119:33-34 “Place your hands of strength and favour upon me, for I’ve made my choice to follow your ways...your words thrill me like nothing else! Invigorate my life so that I can praise you even more, and may your truth be my strength!” Psalms 119:173-175

Day 34: (Friday, June 7) Our new Student Pastor will personally spend time with God and his Word and it will be the fuel for his/her ministry.

“His pleasure and passion is remaining true to the Word of “I Am,” meditating day and night in the true revelation of light. He will be standing firm like a flourishing tree planted by God’s design, deeply rooted by the brooks of bliss, bearing fruit in every season of his life. He is never dry, never fainting, ever blessed, ever prosperous.” Psalms 1:2-3

Day 35: (Saturday, June 8) May we be a generation committed to Jesus.

God is calling this generation to its true purpose in Christ. God, stir up a generation that puts Christ at the center of everything we do. "Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind and strength" is not a suggestion but a command. Let's be the generation of David's, of Joshua's and Caleb's; the ones who boldly takes a stand for the one true God. When we build our lives on anything but God, that thing - though a good thing - becomes an enslaving addiction, something we have to have in order to be happy". Quote by Timothy Keller.

Day 37: (Sunday, June 9) Holy Spirit YOU are welcome at MAC!

Romans 15:13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Day 38: (Monday, June 10) God is omniscient (all knowing). It's quite possible that God has begun prompting someone for position of MAC Student Pastor. Invite the Holy Spirit to reveal to you...how to pray for the Student Pastor.

The Lord desires to speak daily revelations into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. A revelation is when God reveals something to you that you did not understand before. A revelation is when God's words become your reality.

Day 39: (Tuesday, June 11) Aim to be mission minded. Abroad, in our neighbourhoods and surrounding area.

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?” Then I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

Isaiah 6:8

Therefore if anyone is in Christ [that is, grafted in, joined to Him by faith in Him as Savior], *he is* a new creature [reborn and renewed by the Holy Spirit]; the old things [the previous moral and spiritual condition] have passed away. Behold, new things have come [because spiritual awakening brings a new life].

I Corinthians 5:17

Day 40: (Wednesday, June 11) Thank God for all MAC volunteers.

“God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.” Hebrews 6:10

“Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.” Proverbs 11:25

