

June 2025 Prayer Guide

This guide is an opportunity for us to join together in prayer, asking God to move among and within us and those for whom we pray. It is not to limit our prayers, but rather to focus them together in specific ways, alongside the personal requests we each offer for the lost and other intercessory requests, and how the Spirit moves us each to pray.

Monday-Saturday, you will see a prayer point for Pastor David or his wife, Amanda; a Scripture for prayer for everyone at Salem as well as for yourself; a Salem ministry, event, or supported missionary; and an external focus such as a ministry outside of Salem or governmental leaders. Sundays are structured a bit differently with less prayer points.

Sunday, June 1

- Pastor David: Trust in God's purposes Isaiah 55:11
- · Salem & Self: Ephesians 5:19-21
- Pray for the leaders of churches, that they will humbly submit to the authority of Jesus and humbly serve with the love of Jesus.

Monday, June 2

- Pastor David: To treasure God's Word Psalm 119:162
- · Salem & Self: Psalm 97:10
- Pray for VBS scheduled for next week, that God will bring the children who need refuge and strength, and those that need to truly experience His love.
- Elkin Mayor Will Gwyn and the Board of Commissioners: Graham Ray, Alvin Hayes, Robert H. Ball, Jr, Cicely McCulloch, and Jeff Eidson

Tuesday, June 3

- Pastor David: Faithful care for the church Acts 20:28
- · Salem & Self: Isaiah 51:4-5
- Pray for the Bible studies and small groups at Salem, for faithful attendance and teaching.
 - If your North American missionaries could say anything to you right now, it would be, "Thank you!" Now that
 Southern Baptists have given a record-breaking amount to this year's Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, they will be able to start more churches, make more disciples, and share Christ with more people in more places than ever before. Pray for God's blessing as they follow Him in spreading the gospel in places that desperately need it. Use this link or the QR code for a short video that highlights this work and their thankfulness for your giving: https://anniearmstrong.com/resource/a-special-thank-you-message-from-your-north-american-missionaries/

Wednesday, June 4

- Pastor David: Confidence Psalm 121:1-2
- · Salem & Self: Isaiah 51:6
- Pray for generosity and faithfulness in giving in the members of Salem, and that they would experience the blessing of the Lord as they faithfully and cheerfully give.
- Rainbow Revival is a Christian organization made up of former LGBTQ+ individuals, who have awakened to their true identity in Jesus by surrendering their lives—including their LGBTQ+ desires—in order to find life and transformation in Jesus. Pray for the strength and faithfulness of the leaders as they seek to show the beauty of repentance and share the power of God to save and transform lives through the gospel for His glory.

Thursday, June 5

- Pastor David: Obedience Psalm 40:8
- · Salem & Self: Isaiah 51:7-8
- Pray for the deacons at Salem, that God will give them discernment and wisdom in considering and responding to needs and situations within the church.
- Pray for the lost in and around Surry County, that God would remove the influence of spiritual darkness and would give them hearts of flesh that respond to the gospel, as He strengthens and moves His people to faithfully share the gospel with those around us.

Friday, June 6

- Amanda Trump: Joy John 15:11
- Salem & Self: Psalm 116:5-6



- Paul and Sonya Gale, supported missionaries in Brazil: Paul and Sonya are planning a Sweetheart Banquet for their church on June 7, and people are inviting unsaved friends to come. Please pray all will go well and that seeds of the Gospel will be sown in the hearts of those who attend. Also, the Gales will be traveling to Michigan on June 11 to report to churches who support their ministry. Pray for safe travel and that they would be an encouragement as they share what God is doing in the ministries God has given them in Brazil.
- The SBC Annual Meeting will take place June 8-11 in Dallas. Pray that as messengers from Southern Baptist
 churches meet together, God will protect the convention from any worldly corruption or agendas, leaders will be
 discerning and faithful to His Word in every aspect, and every decision would align with His will.

Saturday, June 7

- Pastor David: Deep spiritual zeal Romans 12:11
- · Salem & Self: Psalm 116:7-8
- Pray for the building and grounds committee as they see to various needs around the church, for their joy and satisfaction in serving the Lord.
- Persecuted believers in Mexico: Many believers live in danger from gangs, cartels, and indigenous groups.
 Christians who are involved in community work or evangelism (especially with youth, drug addicts, and migrants) are deemed a threat. In some cases, Christian children are singled out. Pray that God protects His people in regions with cartels and gangs and that He continues to draw indigenous communities to Himself.

Sunday, June 8

- Pastor David: True instruction Malachi 2:6-7
- Salem & Self: Psalm 78:4
- Pray for bold, Biblical teaching in churches throughout Surry County and our nation, that God would protect the teaching of His Word and bless His people with discernment, a commitment to truth, and love for each other.

Monday, June 9

- Pastor David: Strong relationships Ecclesiastes 4:9-10
- Salem & Self: Deuteronomy 6:4-7
- Pray for VBS, that God will soften the hearts of the unsaved who come as they hear the gospel faithfully shared.
- NC Offices of Commissioner of Labor Luke Farley, Secretary of State Elaine Marshall, Superintendent of Public Instruction Mo Green, and Treasurer Brad Briner

Tuesday, June 10

- Pastor David: Joyful heart Proverbs 17:22
- · Salem & Self: 1 Peter 1:6-7
- Pray that the children, students, and adults attending VBS this week will be open to the Spirit's conviction and leading and will grow in spiritual understanding through the teaching of God's Word.
- Gary and Ann Warrior, IMB Missionaries in Central Asia: After over 20 years in Central Asia, Gary now spends much of his time mentoring missionary teams and sharing his deep experience in the region. These groups of men will meet to discuss their faith in Christ, truths from the Bible, and how these truths shape their daily lives. These meetings are crucial for the men growing in their faith. Gary and his wife, Ann, have seen God transform lives and bring people to faith in Christ. Pray that the people they are reaching will grow in maturity and faithfulness.

Wednesday, June 11

- Pastor David: Knowledge of God's will Colossians 1:9-10
- · Salem & Self: 1 Peter 1:8-9
- Pray that God will guide teachers at VBS in responding to questions, and that He will give them strength with joy.
- Pray for the individuals reached by Rainbow Revival, that the Holy Spirit will prepare their hearts to receive the truth of the gospel for freedom from their sin and victory over temptations. Pray that God will strengthen them to choose Christ and stand firm in His strength as He leads Him on His path of righteousness for His name's sake.

Thursday, June 12

- Pastor David: Strength for joy Colossians 1:11
- Salem & Self: 1 Peter 1:13-15
- Pray for the families of the children attending VBS, that there will be a lasting legacy impact from what has been learned this week, leading to eternal and abundant life in relationship with Christ.
- Pray for Gideons International, that God would give wisdom and direction in their ministry, enabling them to effectively share the gospel and reach new people.

Friday, June 13

• Amanda Trump: Confidence in how God made her – Psalm 139:15-16

Salem & Self: 1 Peter 1:22



- Scot and Carol Musser, supported missionaries in Spain: LIFE Christian school has been negotiating for a needed new building; please pray that negotiations go well and decisions will be finalized soon. God has also provided staffing for next year through several missionary teachers who have committed and others who are prayerfully seeking God's guidance as they consider serving. Pray that God will continue to bring those He has chosen to fill positions that remain open and that He will provide the needs of those who will serve.
- Pray for Gideons International, that their work distributing Bibles and sharing the gospel will be fruitful, and that God will draw individuals to His Word, enabling them to find hope and healing through Christ.

Saturday, June 14

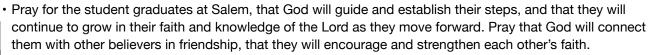
- Pastor David: Love for God Matthew 22:37
- · Salem & Self: 1 Peter 2:9
- Pray for the guest services teams at Salem, for their health and that God will give them joy in their role.
- Persecuted believers in Saudi Arabia: Conversion from Islam is illegal under Islamic law, and converts face pressure, being disowned, locked away, beaten, or even killed to restore the family's honor. Pray for secret believers who have become bolder, sharing their faith on the internet and Christian satellite TV channels, that God will give favor to their efforts. "The church in the Arabian Peninsula is an emerging church. The Holy Spirit is drawing people to Jesus as they have seen that Islam doesn't work."

Sunday, June 15

- Pastor David: Encouragement Romans 1:12
- Salem & Self: Psalm 112:6-8
- Pray for Christian men, that God would strengthen them to pursue Him with zeal, diligence, and joy, and that the word of God would abide in them and they would know that in Christ, they have overcome the evil one.

Monday, June 16

- Pastor David: Trust Deuteronomy 32:4
- Salem & Self: 1 Peter 2:16-17



President Donald J. Trump and Vice President J.D. Vance

Tuesday, June 17

- Pastor David: Deep purity and holiness Psalm 101:2-3
- · Salem & Self: 1 Samuel 2:2-3
- Pray for the building and grounds committee, for safety, wisdom, and faithfulness as they address needs at Salem.



• Justin and Michaela Knippers, IMB missionaries in Osaka, Japan: Justin and Michaela met through VRChat, a video game platform, when Justin and his friends invited Michaela into discussions that led her to realize her great spiritual need. She accepted Jesus as Savior while logged into the game, and now she and Justin use these digital connections to pray with people, disciple them, and plant seeds of the gospel. They understand that their unique skills might make them the only ones sharing the gospel with those in the virtual spaces. Pray for the real people inside of the virtual reality world who need the Gospel, and that God will continue blessing the Knippers as they share the gospel.

Wednesday, June 18

- Pastor David: Hope in the Lord Jeremiah 17:7-8
- Salem & Self: Psalm 92:12-15
- Pray for those in Bible studies at Salem, that each person will grow spiritually and that God will grant them a desire to grow in knowledge, grace, and truth.
- Pray for those who choose Christ and leave a life previously defined by an LGBTQ+ lifestyle, that they find
 community with other believers and are strengthened to walk in the wholeness and joy of true identity in Christ.
 Pray that God will give encouragement and comfort as they potentially leave relationships and lose friendships for
 the sake of Christ, and that their testimony will draw others to Jesus and away from the deception of the world.

Thursday, June 19

- Pastor David: Protection from stumbling Jude 1:24
- Salem & Self: Psalm 59:16-17
- Pray for the men who serve as our deacons, that God will strengthen them and give them times of refreshment in Christ as they seek to grow in Him daily.

• Pray for the lost in Japan. While churches meet openly, many Japanese may never meet a Christian, as less than 2% of Japan identifies as Christian. Buddhism and Shintoism are deeply woven into the fabric of Japanese life, so embracing Christianity is usually seen as rejecting Japanese identity. For many new believers, this brings painful breaks with family and friends in a culture where shame runs deep. Pray that believers will encourage and strengthen each other, and that God will work through missionaries and local believers to spread the light of the gospel to the many who walk in darkness.

Friday, June 20

· Amanda Trump: Rest - Matthew 11:28-30



- · Salem & Self: Psalm 32:5-6
- PLOW 127, supported mission work in Uganda: Please pray for God's provision to fill a storehouse on the compound with food, which is distributed to those in need during the famine that comes every year. It is best to fill the storehouse during harvest in June. Pray also that their land produces some harvest as well.
- Persecuted believers in Mali: Many extremist groups are active in Mali, including groups affiliated with al-Qaeda and Islamic State. Believers who engage in evangelism in the north are especially vulnerable to violence, while missionaries live under the threat of abduction by jihadists. Pray for God to protect believers and that He will bring political stability and religious freedom to the country. "The fear is increasing every day...There are abductions, all kinds of attacks and banditry...Please pray for us that God will keep His children safe."

Saturday, June 21

- Pastor David: Diligence Jude 1:20-21
- Salem & Self: Psalm 32:7-10
- Pray that those in the guest service teams will work together well, and that they will support and encourage each other in love as they serve the church.
- Pray for Franklin Graham's God Loves You Tour event in London today, that churches are encouraged, believers are emboldened to share their faith, and that God opens the eyes of many unbelievers to the saving and transforming power of the gospel. "London needs Jesus. The God Loves You Tour is vital for this city. There's an urgency to remind people how much God loves them—and London is the perfect place to do that...London is not forgotten. God has not finished with London, the UK, or Europe. In fact, He's only just starting."

Sunday, June 22

- Pastor David: Mercy Jude 1:22-23
- · Salem & Self: 1 Peter 3:8-9
- Pray that God's Word would pierce the hearts of His people in ways that convict and draw us closer to Him, and would stay with us each day.

Monday, June 23

- Pastor David: Evangelistic heart Romans 10:1, 14-15
- Salem & Self: 1 Peter 3:14-15
- Pray for the member care team and for the care coordinators in our small groups as they encourage and minister to those in our church, that God would strengthen them with His heart for His people and fill them with His joy.
- Pray for our local judges and district attorney's office as they hear and prosecute cases in our area.

Tuesday, June 24

- Pastor David: Waiting for the Lord Isaiah 64:4
- Salem & Self: 1 Peter 5:6-7
- Pray for the marriages at Salem, that they would be characterized by respect, love, intentional care, and honoring of each other, and that those around them (children, neighbors, other family, coworkers, the community) would see Christ displayed through the strength and joy in the relationship.
- Josh and Madison Oakes, IMB missionaries in Central Asia: For the Oakes, being missionaries doesn't feel like a sacrifice; they are simply following God's call to bring the gospel to the nations. A mosque stands on nearly every corner, a reminder of many who don't yet know Jesus. Picnicking is a popular pastime that gives opportunities to build relationships with neighbors and for their children to play with others, when fields fill with families spending hours together, eating, and enjoying each other's company. Pray that God will raise up more missionaries to follow His call, and that He continues to open doors and hearts as the Oakes faithfully share the gospel.

Wednesday, June 25

- Pastor David: Godly character Colossians 3:12-14
- Salem & Self: 1 Peter 5:8-10

- Pray for those in our Bible study groups at Salem, that God will strengthen the relationships formed with authenticity and a deep brotherly love for each other, to encourage each other as they grow in the Lord together.
- Pray for Foothills Food Pantry in Dobson, that God would provide the food needed by so many in our community, and that those who work and volunteer would be encouraged by the responsiveness of God's people to provide.

Thursday, June 26

- Pastor David: Honoring the Lord Colossians 3:17
- · Salem & Self: 2 Peter 1:3-4
- Pray for the health and well-being of our deacons and their families, and for God's wisdom as they seek to live out roles they are called to in their families as well as the church.
- Pray for the well-being of the men who serve as Gideons, that God would strengthen them and fill them with His Spirit, and would bless them with health so they can focus on spreading the gospel to those who need Christ.

Friday, June 27

- Amanda Trump: Joy in God's Word Psalm 119:111
- · Salem & Self: 2 Peter 1:5-8



- Transformation 1040, supported mission work in India: Part of this work focuses on a variety of programs to meet the physical, spiritual, social, and educational needs of the villagers in Bihar. Pray for God's strength, wisdom, and provision as Transformation 1040 works to equip villages with a fresh water well, literacy training for children, a bicycle for the church planter, Bibles, hymnals, and a Vacation Bible School for villagers.
- Pray that God will provide the finances and resources needed to support the Gideons' ministry, and that His Spirit would work through the Bibles and materials distributed to bring about faith and transformation.

Saturday, June 28

- Pastor David: Peace Philippians 4:6-7
- Salem & Self: 2 Peter 3:11-13
- Pray that God will protect our guest service teams from stress in their role, and will give them needed rest and strength.
- Persecuted believers in China: China's ruling Communist Party aggressively controls religious expression. Children under 18 are forbidden from attending church. Unregistered churches are illegal, and registered churches are carefully regulated to follow Communist Party guidelines. Christian converts from Islam or Buddhism face additional pressure—sometimes violence—from families and communities. Pray for believers to experience growth in their faith even as persecution rises, that God protects believers in areas where Islam or Buddhism are the primary faiths, and that church leaders will feel the presence of Christ even under constant monitoring.

Sunday, June 29

- Pastor David: Clarity and open doors/hearts Colossians 4:3-4
- Salem & Self: Psalm 28:6-7
- Pray that God's people would be wholehearted and fervent in their praise and thanksgiving to the Lord in every circumstance, and that by the power of the Holy Spirit they would abound in hope.

Monday, June 30

- Pastor David: Eternal focus Colossians 3:1-3
- Salem & Self: 2 Peter 3:14-15



- Pray for the children, students, and adults in Bible studies at Salem, that God would give them strength and understanding for daily application of the truths and instructions in His Word.
- Pray for NC Governor Josh Stein and Lieutenant Governor Rachel Hunt

Further Prayer Resources:

How to Develop a Powerful Prayer Life by Dr. Gregory R. Frizzell Praying the Bible by Donald S. Whitney Quiet Talks on Prayer by S.D. Gordon

Open Doors (articles, updates, interviews with persecuted Christians): https://www.opendoors.org.au/
Help the Persecuted (weekly email with specific requests for persecuted believers): https://htp.org/
International Mission Board, monthly prayer guides and Loving the Lost prayer guide: https://www.imb.org/prayerpoints/
SBC Cooperative Program stories: https://www.sbc.net/resource-library/52-sundays/