

7 Happy Birthday to Brad Curtis who is planting Greater Purpose Fellowship in Greenbrier. Pray that he and his wife, Janet, will be able to persevere as they minister to those in this community searching for answers.

8 As middle school and high school students return to either home school or public school this fall, pray for them to find their **identity in Jesus** and to know that they've been created in the image of Christ. Ask God to help church plants reach these young people with the hope of the Gospel.

9 Pray for **Chance and Ashley Watson** and their children as they serve at Drover Cowboy Church in Harrisburg. Ask God to provide for them, strengthen them and help them as they begin construction on their new building. Pray for the believers here to have courage moving forward.

10 Jeff and Cherie Estes are replanting TrueHope Church in Sheridan. Ask God to provide someone to work with students and for wisdom and endurance to develop a stronger small group ministry. Pray for people to be saved as they follow-up w/ opportunities to reach the lost in Grant County.

11 Pray for **PJ and Lauren Noland** as they plant Collective Church in Bryant. Ask God to use their corporate worship gatherings and to help them as they plug in the three new families that joined Collective last month.

12 Vincent and Crystal Stroud are serving the body of Christ at New Covenant Fellowship in Fordyce. Pray for their parking lot worship gathering and for their Bible studies and prayer times taking place through Zoom. Ask God to continue to keep them healthy as they minister to this community.

13 Pray for **Dave and Christy McClung** as they get ready to launch The Summit Church Vilonia this fall. Ask God to give them great wisdom as they continue to build relationships with people in the community, equip their core team, and seek God's presence and plans for this new church plant.

14 Ask God to help planters as they build **relationships with parents** in their communities. Pray for parents to be saved, discipled, and to have the love and wisdom they need to live out the Gospel in their homes. Pray for any addictions and cycles of abuse in homes to be broken. Pray for church plants to be the resource of unconditional love and help that families need.

15 Donnie and Amy Grigg are planting Vertical Community Church in Fayetteville. Ask God to help them stay connected to those in this church family who are choosing to stay home due to the virus. Pray for God's leadership in choosing their VC Kids Director and more small group leaders.

16 Today is **Anthony Banks's birthday**. He and his wife, Crystal, are serving at two church plants: Second Baptist Church in Turrell and New Beginnings in Marion. Ask God to provide for them as they meet needs and share the Gospel in these communities.

17 Creston and Alina Thomas are planting Christ the Redeemer Church in Pine Bluff. Pray for increased opportunities to reach people in their community with the Gospel and for wisdom in delegating areas of service to others within the church plant.

18 Ask the Father for His **protection over each school age child** – that God would keep them from any spiritual, bodily, or emotional harm and guide them to learn to walk with Jesus. Pray for planters to have wisdom as they engage this age group with the Gospel and are sensitive to their needs.

19 Francisco and Maria Gomez are at Iglesia Bautista El Centro de Discipulado in Little Rock. Pray for them as they host the following monthly activities through Zoom and Facebook Live: Bible study on Wednesday nights, prayer gathering every second Friday, Sunday worship services, discipleship groups, and food collection for low income families.

20 Jon and Gretchen Smeltzer are planting Summit Bible Church in Summit, AR. Ask God to give him wisdom to lead and help him to stay focused on Christ. Praise the Lord for the continued growth they are experiencing during this time and pray for the salvation of seven people they know.

21 Today is **Dustin Clegg's birthday**. He & his wife, Beth, are serving at The Bridge Church in Wynne. Ask God to give them wisdom in the process of selecting leadership in this church plant. Pray for God's anointing on these servant leaders & for wisdom as they continue work on their new building.

22 Pray for **teachers and administrators** at Arkansas schools who know the Lord – that they would have courage and boldness and wisdom as ambassadors for Christ. Ask God to give them grace and power to be salt and light this school year especially with all the uncertainty and changes.

23 Roderick and Lena Rogers are planting Fordyce Community Church. Praise God for the connections they have made this summer through the bike give away and food distribution. Pray that God will use this community engagement to draw the lost to Himself.

24 Pranay and Allison Borde are in the beginning stages of planting Oasis Hindi, a church seeking to reach people in Little Rock who speak Hindi. Pray for discipleship groups they will be hosting in their home and for continued relationships with people who are interested in learning more about Jesus.

25 Jacob and Melly Jones have been sent out by First Baptist Booneville to plant Hope Church in Ozark. Ask God to continue to help them have good relationships with people in the community and that God will use these relationships to introduce people to a real relationship with Jesus.

26 Billy and Marlee Sheets are replanting Oasis Church Camden. Pray for the salvation of Billy and Marlee's two young boys and that God will work among all the children and families at Oasis Camden as some return to school in person and some do school from home. Ask God to give them a greater love for each other in these unusual days.

27 Today is **Justin and Katie King's** wedding anniversary. They are serving as church planters at Delta Church in Blytheville. Ask God to use their online messages to reach more people with the Gospel. Pray for God to bring continued unity among this church family as they move forward to love their community.

28 Pray that church plants would have good relationships with **teachers and school administrators** and that every teacher and administrator who doesn't know Christ would come under conviction, repent of their sin, believe in the death, burial and resurrection of Christ, and come into a personal life-changing relationship with Christ.

29 Ryan and Missy Worley are planting Rooted Church in Fayetteville. Ask God to continue to fill them with His Spirit as they share the Gospel through online services and in person worship gatherings.

30 Brad and Paige Branham have been sent out by First Baptist Russellville to plant Hello Church in order to help college students not walk away from church but instead to say "hello" to church. Pray for relationships with returning students and freshman whether they are attending online or on campus.

31 Today is the first day of the **Pastors' Statewide Prayer Gathering**. Pray that those attending this event will experience a powerful time of prayer and worship together and that God will use this event to bring revival and spiritual awakening to our state.

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August 2020 Prayer Calendar

Join us this month as we pray for Arkansas Baptist planters and churches to make an impact in the schools and families in their communities.

1 We have two birthdays to celebrate today. First, **Jordan Bowen** is a church planter serving at Oasis Church Little Rock. Pray for him & his wife, Sarah, and their young children. Second, **Carie Means** is a church planter's wife who is serving w/ her husband, Sam, & their children at Ignite 360 in Fayetteville. Pray for these two couples to reach internationals in our state.

2 Pray for **every child** in the state of Arkansas who does not have a personal relationship with Christ. Ask God to help our church plants to reach them and their families with the truth of the Gospel. Pray for the **salvation, baptism,** and discipleship of these precious children.

3 Ask God to give wisdom, direction, and provision to **Nate and Mary Smith** who are planting Greater New Philadelphia Baptist Church and reaching young and old in this community. They have the opportunity to move to a different location. Ask for God's help in every step of this journey and as they continue to minister to the people of Mississippi County.

4 Happy Anniversary to David and Melody Logan who are planting Connection Church in Rogers. Ask God to provide another partner church, other meeting places, and for David as he pursues an opportunity to lead a men's Bible Study. Pray also for their young family to impact other families.

5 Pray for **Izah and Monique Broadus** who are serving at New Faith in Little Rock. Ask God to help them to continue to reach more people and disciple them on-line. Pray for God's guidance in these days with their Life Groups and Bible studies for youth and adults. Thank God Monique is cancer free.

6 Shane and April Fore and their family have been sent out by Maple Grove Baptist to plant the Maple Grove Main Street Campus in Trumann. Praise the Lord for those recently saved in an outreach event. Pray for follow-up.