



Prayer Ministry Guidelines and Policies

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1. First _____ make a difference!
 - Personal hygiene: Follow the Altoids doctrine!
 - Dress appropriately: Adhere to "praise the Lord" test.
2. Introductions – make them feel welcome!
How would you welcome someone to your home?
3. Never _____ what a person wants prayer for
Ask open questions:
 - "What can I agree with you in prayer for?"
 - "How long have you been suffering with this condition?"
4. Find out what people are _____ for.
"And Jesus said to the centurion, "Go; it shall be done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed that [very] moment." - Mat 8:13 NASB
5. Don't give _____ a voice.
6. Listen!
 - Listen to the Holy Spirit
 - Listen to what their heart is saying.
7. See the _____, not the problem.
 - See them as God see them.

"But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for God [sees] not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."" - 1Sa 16:7 NASB
8. Learn to spot _____.
"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love." - 1Jo 4:18 NASB
9. Teach them what the _____ says; give a scripture(s) to stand on.
 - Knowing it is God's will to heal alone is not enough. Like salvation, healing needs to be received by faith.

"Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed." - Mat 8:3 NASB

10. Have an 'it's easy for Jesus' _____.

"O magnify the LORD with me, And let us exalt His name together." - Psa 34:3 NASB

11. Be _____!

"The wicked flee when no one is pursuing, But the righteous are bold as a lion." - Pro 28:1 NASB

12. Speak words of faith and be _____ in the promises of God!

13. Win a victory in one area first.

14. Guard your _____ – Have Patience.

"And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you will not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises." - Heb 6:11-12 NASB

15. Don't _____ God.

"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him [be] the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen." - Eph 3:20-21 NASB

"But are you willing to recognize, you foolish fellow, that faith without works is useless?" - Jas 2:20 NASB

- Faith without works is dead. It is helpful to ask them to do something they couldn't do before you prayed, like stand, bend or stretch.

Technical pointers

- Prayer ministers are not counselors. The primary role is to minister the love of God and share His word with people.
Confidentiality: Respect their privacy. Only exceptions are for criminal activity.
- Personal Information: Not recommended that you give out personal information to people you are praying with. There may be exceptions for people you are in relationship within the church.
- Modesty cloths
- Be appropriate: Recommend 2x2 prayer (CTRF) and be sensitive as to whether or not person being ministered to or might be more comfortable with someone of the same sex ministering to them.
- Laying on of hands: We do not lay hands on anyone hastily. Ask permission of the person before laying your hands on them. Do so with gentleness and respect, and obviously avoiding personal areas.
- Catching: Either let the person fall and trust the Holy Spirit or wait for someone to be there to catch (dependent on policies of leadership)
- Disruptions: If manifestations become loud and disruptive, call for assistance or move the situation away from the crowd, and take your authority over it. If at any time you feel out of your depth, call your leaders for help.

Leading People in Salvation

"He made Him who knew no sin [to be] sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." - 2Co 5:21 NASB

1. God desires ALL to be _____.

"This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." - 1Ti 2:3-4 NASB

2. How?

"that if you confess with your mouth Jesus [as] Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;" - Rom 10:9 NASB

3. Requires a _____ change,

"Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'" - Jhn 3:7 NASB

4. Each person must _____.

- There is no set way to pray a prayer of Salvation, but here is an example that you may like to refer to:
 - Have the person pray out loud: *Jesus, I confess that You are my Lord and Savior. I believe in my heart that God raised You from the dead. I turn from my sin. I ask You to be Lord of my life. By faith in Your Word, I receive salvation now. Thank You for saving me!*

Ministering Salvation to Children

1. Kids typically don't have as much issue with unbelief as adults.
2. Minister to both parents and children, as they will be the ones there when you are not.
3. Always pray with a child's parents in view; never go off with the child alone to pray.
4. Get on their level when possible.
 - Kneel down if you need to
 - Simple words that are understood
 - kids are literal "a man living in their heart" can be scary!

Passage	How to communicate:
Rom 3:23	<i>Do you know that you have done things wrong? When you know to do good and don't do it, that is sin.</i>
Rom 5:8	<i>Jesus loves you so much that he took our sin on Him, so we could be free from sin.</i>
Rev 3:20	<i>If you ask him to, he will come and change you and give you the power to overcome sin.</i>
Rom 10:9-10	<i>The Bible says that if you believe God raised Jesus from the dead and ask Him to change your heart (give</i>

	<i>your life to Him), that he will do it (be a part of your life) right now.</i>
Rom 10:13	<i>That is His promise to everyone that asks him.</i>

- i. May "get saved" _____ (as their understanding grows so will they)
 - First, they _____ modeled behavior (0-3years)
 - Then they _____ about (4-5 years)
 - Next, they _____ what is real (6-8 years)
 - Lastly, they _____ what they know and investigate further (9-11 years)
- ii. Communicate their decision with their parent/family

Baptism of the Holy Spirit

"For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it will be opened. ... "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will [your] heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" - Luk 11:10, 13 NASB

1. It is for _____ who is a born-again believer, TODAY.
 - Most people have some idea about it- good or bad.
2. It is a different _____ from being born again.
3. It is a gift that does not require begging or pleading.
 - Don't beg, argue, or force them.
4. Benefits of praying in tongues:
 - Helps us pray (Romans 8:26, 1 Cor. 14:14)
 - Reveals hidden mysteries of God (1 Cor. 2:6-7, 1 Cor. 14:2)
 - Edifies us (! Cor. 14:2-4)
 - Keeps us in the love of God (Jude 1:20-21)
 - Gives us rest and refreshing (Is. 28 11-12)
5. All you must do is ask, believe, and receive!

"Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be [granted] you." - Mar 11:24 NASB

An example of a prayer for the baptism of the Holy Spirit:

Pray, Father, I recognize my need for Your power to live this new life. Please fill me with Your Holy Spirit. By faith, I receive Him right now! Thank You for baptizing me. Holy Spirit, You are welcome in my life

6. As you pray in tongues, encourage them to start praying in theirs.

"For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful." - 1Co 14:14 NASB

Ministering the Baptism of the Spirit to Kids

1. Speaking in tongues is the evidence of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Just like trees moving back and forth isn't the wind but shows us that the wind is blowing.
2. Promises:

"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance." - Act 2:4 NASB

Luke 11:9 "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

Jesus promised it to everyone that believes.

Luke 11:10 For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.

Luke 11:11-12 "Which of you fathers, if your so asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion?"

He said that like a good father, He will give good things to those that ask Him.

Luke 11:13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

3. If you ask Him, he will give it to you right now.
 - You won't speak in tongues if you don't pray out loud.
 - Pray in English- let Him give the language- hear it in your spirit (mind) Speak it with your mouth- start with one word.
 - If it doesn't happen, don't allow disappointment. Jesus said to ask like the man asking for bread of his neighbor. Don't quit until you get it.
