

## A PREACHER'S PRAYER LIST

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1 Thessalonians 5:25

“Brethren, pray for us.”

1. Every preacher should be a man of prayer who prays for himself, his people, and those within his sphere of influence.
2. However every pastor needs the consistent prayer support of others.
3. The Apostle Paul was a gifted, God-called, Spirit-filled man, yet he understood the importance of having others praying for him.
4. I am grateful for those who have prayed for me over the years, and I want to urge you to be numbered with those folks.
5. People should pray for their pastor during the week, they should pray for him before each service, and their prayers should be specific.
6. Let's look at specific prayers requests that are recorded in Paul's letters and the letter to the Hebrews.
7. Putting all of these prayer requests together we come up with a preacher's prayer list.

### I. Romans 15:30-33

Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to **strive together with me in your prayers to God for me**, 31 that I may be rescued from those who are disobedient in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may prove acceptable to the saints; 32 so that I may come to you in joy by the will of God and find refreshing rest in your company. 33 Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

A. Pray for my protection.

B. Pray that my service will be acceptable.

C. Pray that God will fulfill my desire to visit Rome.

### II. 2 Corinthians 1:8-11

For we do not want you to be unaware, brethren, of our affliction which came to us in Asia, that we were burdened excessively, beyond our strength, so that we despaired even of life; 9 indeed, we had the sentence of death within ourselves so that we would not trust in ourselves, but in God who raises the dead; 10 who delivered us from so great a peril of death, and will deliver us, He on whom we have set our hope. And He will yet deliver us, 11 **you also joining in helping us through your prayers, so that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the favor bestowed on us through the prayers of many.**

A. Help us deal with what we have to deal with by praying for us.

B. Thank God for the favor He has bestowed on us because of your prayers for us.

### III. Ephesians 6:18-20

With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints, 19 and pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with

boldness the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in proclaiming it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

A. Pray that God will give me the message I am to preach.

B. Pray that I might speak that message with boldness.

#### **IV, Philippians 1:18-20**

What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed; and in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice, 19 for I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayers and the provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, 20 according to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but that with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

A. Pray that God will deliver me from my present circumstances.

B. Pray that regardless of what happens to me Christ may be exalted in and through me.

#### **V. Colossians 4:2-4**

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving; 3 praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned; 4 that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak.

A. Pray that God will open doors for me to preach His word.

B. Pray that my message will be clear and understandable.

#### **VI. 2 Thessalonians 3:1-2**

Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you; 2 and that we will be rescued from perverse and evil men; for not all have faith.

A. Pray that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified.

B. Pray that God will rescue us from perverse and evil men.

#### **VII. Hebrews 13:18-19**

Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a good conscience, desiring to conduct ourselves honorably in all things. 19 And I urge you all the more to do this, so that I may be restored to you the sooner.

A. Pray that we will conduct ourselves honorably in all things.

B. Pray all the more.

#### **APPLICATION**

1. Not only should people pray for their pastor, but they should also pray for one another.
2. As a body of believers every church is interdependent just like our physical bodies are interdependent.
3. My prayer is that this church will be characterized by a genuine, sacrificial love for each other, a love that is manifested through ongoing prayer for one another.
4. As we pray for one another let us also pray for our brothers and sisters around the world.