DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

I. PRAISE

"OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME..."

(A) "Our Father, who art in Heaven..."

- (1) "Father, I praise You that I can call You my 'Father'!"
 - (a) Through Christ who died on the cross for me!
 - (b) Through Christ who made it possible for me to be adopted into Your eternal family!
 - (c) Through Christ who brought me from the far country to Your house!
- (2) "Father, I praise You that I can live before You unashamed and unafraid!"
 - (a) Through Christ I claim forgiveness of sin!
 - (b) Through Christ I wait with boldness before Your throne! (Is. 40:31)
 - (c) Through Christ I come as Your redeemed child
- (3) "Father, I praise You that I can talk with You in confidence!"
 - (a) Through Christ my "Advocate!" (I John 2:1)
 - (b) Through Christ my "Atonement!" (I John 2:2)
 - (c) Through Christ my "Savior!" (Titus 3:6)
 - (d) Through Christ, by whom You have sent forth Your Spirit into my heart crying, "Father, my Father!" (Gal. 4:6)

(B) "Hallowed Be Your Name!"

- (1) "Your Name Is Above All Other Names!"
 - (a) Praised be Your Name!
 - (b) Exalted be Your Name!
 - (c) Adored be Your Name!
 - (d) Honored be Your Name!
 - (e) Magnified be Your Name!
 - (f) Blessed be Your Name!
 - (g) Proclaimed be Your Name!
 - (h) Reverenced be Your Name!
 - (i) Worshipped be Your Name!
- (2) "Your Name Reveals Your Character!"
 - (a) Eternal One! (Is. 40:28)
 - (b) Unchanging One (Ps. 102:27)
 - (c) Faithful One (Lam. 3:22-23)
 - (d) Generous One (II. Cor. 8:9)
 - (e) Loving One (John 3:16)
 - (f) Patient One (Rom. 15:5)
 - (g) Majestic One (Ps. 8:1)
 - (h) Holy One (I Peter 1:15-16)
 - (i) Perfect One (II Sam. 22:31)

- (j) All-Knowing One (Ps. 139:1-6)
- (k) Almighty One (Gen. 17:1; 35:11)
- (I) All-Present One (Ps. 139:7-10)
- (m) Merciful One (Lam. 3:22; Is. 30:18)
- (n) Waiting One (Is. 30:18)
- (o) Gracious One (II. Chr. 30:9; Ps. 111:4; I Peter 2:3)
- (p) Just One (Is. 45:21; Rev. 15:3)
- (q) Thoughtful One (Mt. 6:25-33)
- (3) "Your Name Sounds Throughout Creation!"
 - (a) Proclaiming Your Glory (Ps. 8:1)
 - (b) Fulfilling Your Promises
 - * In the season of the year (Gen. 8:22)
 - * In the rainbow (Gen. 9:12-17)
 - (c) Exalting Your Son
 - * "Bright and Morning Star" (Rev. 2:28; 22:16)
 - * Sun of Righteousness (Mal. 4:2)
 - (d) Revealing Thoughts Through Scientific Discovery
 - (e) Manifesting Your Beauty In Countless Ways
 - * Sunsets, sunrises, blue skies, starry nights
 - * Trees, flowers, fields, green grass
 - * Mountains, rolling hills
 - * Lakes, rivers, oceans
 - * Birds, fish, animals
- (4) "Your Name Demands My Praise For Daily Blessings
 - (a) Family
 - (b) Vocation/purpose
 - (c) Health
 - (d) Relationships/friendships
 - (e) Provision
 - (f) Extended family

II. SURRENDER

"YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN..."

- (A) "Your Kingdom Come..."
 - (1) "Father, I Surrender My Life To The Reign Of Your Kingdom!"
 - (a) "I bow before Your Kingship!"
 - (b) I give up to Your absolute rule over me!"
 - (c) "I <u>wait</u> humbly, eagerly for You to have the final word in my life!"
 - (d) "I welcome You to reign as King upon the throne of my heart!"
 - (2) "Father, I Surrender To The Lordship Of Jesus In My Life!"
 - (a) "Lord, I relinquish control over my life in favor of Your control!"

- (b) "Lord, I'm Yours! You've got me!"
- (c) "O Lord, (my) God, other lords besides You have ruled over (me), but (I) acknowledge Your Name alone." (Isa. 26:13)
- (3) "Father, I Surrender My View Of Life To The Laws Of Your Kingdom!"
 - (a) Humility (Mt. 5:3; 18:1-10)
 - (b) Faith (James 2:5)
 - (c) Service (Mt. 25:34-35)
 - (d) Faithfulness (Luke 9:62)
 - (e) New Birth (John 3:3)
 - (f) Endurance (Acts 14:22)
 - (g) Righteousness (Rom. 14:17)
 - (h) Peace (Rom. 14:17)
 - (i) Joy (Rom. 14:17)
- (4) <u>"Father, I Surrender My Search For Understanding To The Mysteries Of Your Kingdom!"</u>
 - (a) Human Suffering!
 - (b) Unanswered Prayer!
 - (c) Human Freedom Within Divine Sovereignty!
 - (d) Redeeming Grace And Human Sinfulness!
- (5) <u>"Father, I Reaffirm My Surrender To Your Reign Over Me NOW In This Present Moment and Always!"</u>
- (B) "Your Will Be Done, In Earth As It Is In Heaven!"
 - (1) "Father, I will surrender my will to You that Your will might dominate my life!"
 - (a) In my thoughts!
 - (b) In my imaginations!
 - (c) In my fantasies!
 - (d) In my ambitions!
 - (e) In my aspirations!
 - (f) In my decisions!
 - (g) In my relationships!
 - (h) In my plans!
 - (i) In my desires!
 - (j) In my leisure time!
 - (k) In my priorities!
 - (I) In my possessions!
 - (m) In my stewardship!
 - (n) In my purchases!
 - (o) In my speech!
 - (p) In my serving!
 - (q) In my weakness!
 - (r) In my strengths!
 - (s) In my failures!

- (t) In my successes!
- (u) In my sorrows
- (v) In my joys!
- (2) <u>"Father, I surrender my will to You in this world where Your will is so</u> frequently ignored!"
 - (a) At the cost of popularity!
 - (b) At the cost of possessions!
 - (c) At the cost of promotion!

III. REQUESTS

"YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE, IN EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN..."

- (A) "Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done...IN MY FAMILY!"
 - (1) In My Immediate Family
 - (2) In My Extended Family
 - (3) Pressing Needs of Family Members
 - (a) Immediate Family Members
 - (b) Extended Family Members
- (B) "Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done...IN MY CHURCH!"

(Daily) Church prayer list, church member directory list

(Monday) Pastor and staff

(Tuesday) Sunday School Teachers/Leadership

(Wednesday) Program and Ministries

(Thursday) Persons with Physical Needs

(Friday) Persons with Spiritual Needs/Facing Special Problems

(C) "Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done...IN THE WORLD!"

(1) National and community servants

(Monday) Government officials

(Tuesday) Law enforcement officers, fire department

(Wednesday) Education Leadership

(Thursday) Hospital, doctors and nurses

(Friday) Prisoners, courts

(Sunday) Local churches and pastors

(2) Church around the World

(Monday) United Methodists

(Tuesday) Mississippi Annual Conference

(Wednesday) Missionaries

(Thursday) Revival in America

(Friday) Local/state missions

(3) Friends and Acquaintances

IV. DAILY NEEDS

"GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD..."

- (A) Physical Needs
 - (1) Food, clothing, shelter
 - (2) Health of body and mind
 - (3) Protection from harm
- (B) Emotional Needs
 - (1) Peace and contentment
 - (2) Grateful heart
 - (3) Patience
- (C) Mental Needs
 - (1) Wisdom
 - (2) Understanding

V. FORGIVENESS

"AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US."

- (A) "And Forgive Us Our Trespasses Forgive Me For Any Sin."
 - (1) In The Past "Lord, I accept Your forgiveness."
 - (2) <u>In The Present</u> "Lord, show to me any wrong-doing in my life that I do not see. I repent of anything that is offensive in my life to You. And I accept Your forgiveness NOW."
- (B) "...As We Forgive Those Who Trespass Against Us."
 - (1) <u>In The Past</u> "Lord, show me where I am holding on to resentment toward someone from a past offense. I repent of that resentment. I accept Your forgiveness."
 - (2) In The Present "Lord, show me where I am allowing resentment to fester and build toward someone. I claim now Your grace to cleanse my heart from any tendency to hold a grudge toward someone. I follow the instructions of Your Word in Hebrews 12:15 -

"See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springs up and causes trouble, and through it many become defiled."

VI. VICTORY OVER EVIL

"AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL..."

- (A) "Father, I desire to be led by Your way!"
 - (1) Away from temptation.
 - (2) In the paths of righteousness.

- (B) "Father, I yield myself to be led in Your way."
 - (1) In my thoughts
 - (2) In my emotions
 - (3) In my will
 - (4) In my words
 - (5) In my choices
- (C) "Father, I trust You to give me victory over the 'Evil One'."
 - (1) Through Your Word. (Ps. 119:11, 105)
 - (2) Through Your Indwelling Spirit. (I John 4:4)
 - (3) Through faith in Your Son, my atoning Savior. (I John 5:4; Rev. 12:11)
 - (4) Through Jesus' intercession before Your throne for me. (Hebrews 7:25)
- (D) "Father, I want your protective armor to cover me."
 - (1) "Belt of Truth" (Eph. 6:14) Prepared for a defense against error!
 - (2) "Breastplate of righteousness" (Eph. 6:14) Protection from attacks upon my righteous relationship with You!
 - (3) "Shoes of the Gospel of peace" (Eph. 6:15) Equipped to take the Gospel up and down rough paths!
 - (4) "Shield of faith" (Eph. 6:16) Hiding by faith in the power of Christ!
 - (5) "Helmet of salvation" (Eph. 6:17) Defended from evil thoughts, doubts and wrong ideas!
 - (6) "Sword of the Spirit" (Eph. 6:17) Ready to stand upon the Word of God!
 - (7) "Pray(ing) in the Spirit at all times" (Eph. 6:18) Maintaining contact with the Divine headquarters!

VII. AFFIRMATION

"FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND GLORY FOREVER AND EVER!"

- (A) "Father, the Kingdom is Yours, and You have included me through Christ!"
 - (1) "I will rejoice in the excellence of Your Kingdom!"
 - (2) "I will rejoice in the <u>ultimate victory</u> of Your Kingdom!"
- (B) "Father, the power is Yours, and You have given me access through Christ!"
 - (1) "I will rejoice in the availability of Your power!"
 - (2) "I will rejoice in the <u>adequacy</u> of Your power!"
- (C) "Father, the glory is Yours, and You have called me to live for Your glory!"
 - (1) "I will rejoice in the privilege of living for Your glory!"
 - (2) "I will rejoice in the wisdom of living for Your glory!"

AMEN.