KAIROS 2025 PRAYER FOCUS

Our friendship with God stands upon our ability to be present with Him, to learn from Him, and to obey Him (the 3-legged stool). These practices are not natural, but require intentional investment. As we seek the Lord and submit to Him, He molds us more into His image. This process of sanctification not only prepares us for the various functions of His ministry, but empowers a beautiful life freed from the bondage of sin. When we listen to Him, we can listen to others as He would listen. When we know His love for us, we can love others as Jesus loves others. The following is intended to be prayed throughout the week, one for each day. As you rest in the scripture and contemplate the questions, let the Holy Spirit inspire, lead, and teach you how to pray for each theme as you seek His will for you and your Kairos' community continuing ministry.

- 1. Humility: "If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land" (2 Chron. 7:14). How can you grow in humility? What characteristics mark a humble person? When it comes to the work of ministry, under whose power are you serving? Yours or God's? What would a life that puts the needs of others first look like? Where do you see the need for humility in our world?
- 2. Faith: "For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed" (Heb. 4:2).

 Is God inviting you to take any steps of faith? Do you believe God can overcome obstacles? How does faith allow you to trust when being led into the unknown? Who in your life needs the gift of faith? What would it look like for your Kairos community to "walk in faith"?
- 3. Inspiration: "Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need" (Heb. 4:16).

 What inspires the way you live? Who in your life needs inspiration? How would our cities, prisons, nation, and world look if God's people lived a Holy Spirit inspired life? How can you be a source of inspiration to others in Kairos?
- **4. Encouragement:** "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds" (Heb. 10:24). Where and how do you need to be encouraged? What are some ways to encourage those around you? How can we remain encouraged as we live amongst all the pain and brokenness of this world? Who can you encourage in Kairos today?
- 5. Sacrifice: "'Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.' An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground" (Luke 22:42-44).

 How do you sacrifice your time, talent, and treasure for the Kingdom of God? Who can you bless today? Where do you see a need for sacrificial living within your home, community, city, and nation? What would it look like for you to make a sacrifice to serve and love your Kairos community?
- **6. Obedience:** "You are my friends if you do what I command" (John 15:14).

 What commands of Jesus do you struggle to obey? What fuels disobedience to the commands of Christ? How would the world look if more people were obedient to Jesus? When you think of obedience to Christ, who do you think of? Where can you be more obedient to the commands of Christ in your service through Kairos?
- 7. **Sabbath:** "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-29).
 - Do you take time to rest in the Lord? How do you receive the love of God? Where do you feel closest to God? What is something God is asking you to surrender? Are you practicing the three on, one off rhythm of sabbath when it comes to serving a Kairos weekend? What would a world look like if everyone was well rested and anchored in the love of Christ?