



longviewheights

FASTING & PRAYER

AUG 18 - 20 & AUG 25 - 27
9PM (THURS) TO 12PM (SAT)

ROOM.
8-26

Personal Notes:

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40 Hours of Prayer and Fasting

Romans 8:26 – Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.

40 Hours Start Dates:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 9PM - SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 12PM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 9PM - SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 12PM

THE WORSHIP CENTER WILL BE OPEN:

Friday August 19 from 6-9pm

Friday August 26 from 6-9pm

Saturday August 20 from 9am-12pm

Saturday August 27 from 9am-12pm

Please use the WEST LOBBY Entrance

As a suggestion, use the acronym **PRAY** as a guide:

P – Praise

Praise God for who He is

Call to your mind His character

R – Repent

Repent and confess your sin before the Lord

Acknowledge your own need for Jesus

A – Ask

Ask the Lord for specific requests

Intercede for specific needs as listed on these pages

Y – Yield

Yield your life to Jesus as He leads you

Ask God for continued strength for obedience

“A devotion to prayer springs from dependence on God’s power, desperation for God’s grace, and dedication to God’s mission” – David Platt

PRAYER PROMPTS

PRAY that we will be consistently committed to God's will during this process

1 Thessalonians 5:17 – Pray without ceasing

Ephesians 6:18 – Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

PRAY that God would do a mighty work in your own heart, as you pray and fast during this weekend

Psalms 73:25-26 - Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.
My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is
the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

PRAY for the Pastor Search Team to devote adequate time for prayer

Acts 1:14 – All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer.

PRAY for a kingdom minded pastor, one whose desire is to advance the Kingdom of Jesus, and who is passionate for the Great Commission

Matthew 6:33 – But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

PRAY that we as a body of believers will wholeheartedly trust the Lord while searching for our new pastor. Pray for a sensitivity of the Holy Spirit's leadership

Proverbs 3:5-6 – Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

PRAY for unity! Unity among the Pastor Search Team and unity among LHBC members. Ask the Lord for humility, gentleness, patience, and tolerance in love during this period

Ephesians 4:1-3 – I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

PRAY the church will remain committed to her first love, Jesus.

1 John 4:10 – In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Revelation 3:4 – But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

Pray the church and the search team will hear the Spirit clearly throughout these next few weeks.

Revelation 2:3-4 – I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

PRAY for the Pastor Search Team and the church to hope in God and seek Him wholeheartedly with the realization that He is in control of the church's future

Jeremiah 29:11-13 – For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

PRAY for members of the search team to have hearts that are pure as they work through the process in these next couple weeks

Psalms 139:23-24 – Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

PRAY through the armor of God. Pray that we put on the armor of God as a church family.

Ephesians 6:10-18 – Finally, be strong in the Lord and God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against

flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, all prayer and supplication.

PRAY for our new pastor to take delight and have joy in caring for our souls and ask the Holy Spirit to fill LHBC with joy

Hebrews 13:17 - Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

Galatians 5:22-24 - But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

PRAY God will raise up the man for us who will rightly divide the Word of God. Pray the Pastor Search Team will know the man God has chosen for LHBC

2 Timothy 2:15 – Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

PRAY, ask, and expect God to work among us

Matthew 7:7-8 - Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

PRAY that a burden for earnest and urgent prayer will permeate our church as we seek God's will for a pastor

Jeremiah 33:3 - Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.

Colossians 4:2 – Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.

PRAY for ongoing fruitful ministry as the church prepares for our next pastor

John 15:16 - You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

PRAY for a special sense of God's wisdom for the Pastor Search Team over these next few weeks

James 1:5-8 - If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double - minded man, unstable in all his ways.

PRAY that our desire for God is greater than our need for earthly treasures. He is our ultimate reliance and dependence

Ezra 8:23 - So we fasted and implored our God for this, and he listened to our entreaty.

PRAY with confidence that God hears our petitions instead of uncertainty because He cares about every single part of our life

Hebrews 4:16 - Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

PRAY for our next pastor to hear from God a calling to come and lead at LHBC

Psalms 37:23 - The steps of a man are established by the LORD, when he delights in his way;

PRAY for our next pastor to be a man who has Christ-like character both publicly and privately

1 Timothy 3:1-7 - The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must run his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

PRAY for discernment and a unified resolve for the Pastor Search Team

Philippians 1:8-11 – For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

PRAY for God to always get all glory!

Psalm 105:3-4 – Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice! Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

Psalm 115:1 – Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

PRAY that we would seek the will of God and His wisdom, instead of seeking our own agenda or our own selfish motives during these next few weeks

James 4:1-3 – What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

PRAY the Word of God will spread rapidly and be glorified.

2 Thessalonians 3:1-3 – Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.

PRAY that God would raise up a pastor who is set on the Gospel message and its proclamation

Mark 1:14-15 - ...Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.

PRAY for the Pastor Search Team to have God's peace as they make decisions. Pray that their hearts and minds would be guarded.

Philippians 4:6-7 - Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

PRAY for the future pastor's family. Pray for his wife as they prepare for this transition for their family.

Psalms 127:1 - Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain.

PRAY against Satan's influence among the team. The last thing our adversary wants is for LHBC to find God's man to shepherd our flock. Pray that they are not pressured, rushed, or misled in any way

1 Peter 5:8-9 - Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in

your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.

PRAY for the team to have God's timetable in these next few weeks. There must be a determination to act in God's perfect time

Ephesians 5:17 - Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

PRAY for a powerful sense of unity and oneness of spirit among the team

Acts 1:14 - All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer...

Amos 3:3 - Do two walk together, unless they have agreed to meet?"

PRAY for our church family, that God would be gracious to us, to the end that we would make His name known

Psalms 67:1-2 - May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

PRAY for our Pastor Search Team, that they would see how the Lord sees, not as man sees. Pray they aim for what the lord sees in the future pastor's heart

1 Samuel 16:7 – But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.”

PRAY against any divisions among our church family. Just like the church at Corinth, our nature is to divide among a leader we prefer. Pray that our unity would not be based upon a pastor, but upon the Gospel.

1 Corinthians 1:10 - I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.

PRAY for our next pastor that he would be “worthy of double honor” because of how he handles the Word of God. Pray that he would understand the great responsibility of teaching God's word

1 Timothy 5:17 – Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.

PRAY that God's work would not be hindered by our limited faith

Mark 9:24 – Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, I believe; help my unbelief!

PRAY, ask, and expect God to work among us during this time

Hebrews 11:1 - Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

PRAY for our new pastor to take delight in shepherding the flock here at LHBC

1 Peter 5:2 - Shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight.

PRAY for our new pastor, that he would be serious about his own personal walk with the Lord

Psalms 119:11 - I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

**Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
but they who wait for the LORD
shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.**

ISAIAH 40:30-31