

## Weekly Prayer Strategy

15 Oct – 20 Oct

This week's prayer strategy is based on the sermon by Paul Nyamuda entitled:

### Apostolic Mindset Pt 2.

#### Prayer Point 1

**Acts 13:14-15** <sup>14</sup>From Perga they went on to Pisidian Antioch. On the Sabbath they entered the synagogue and sat down. <sup>15</sup>After the reading from the Law and the Prophets, the leaders of the synagogue sent word to them, saying, Brothers, if you have a word of exhortation for the people, please speak.”

- Pray for the wisdom to know when to “sit down” i.e. when to sit under teaching, receive and wait for God's timing and next instruction.
- Pray that the Lord would make you aware of and ready for your moment to step out and speak the word of God.

#### Prayer Point 2

**Acts 13:16-22** <sup>16</sup>Standing up, Paul motioned with his hand and said: “Fellow Israelites and you Gentiles who worship God, listen to me! <sup>17</sup>The God of the people of Israel chose our ancestors; he made the people prosper during their stay in Egypt; with mighty power he led them out of that country; <sup>18</sup>for about forty years he endured their conduct<sup>[b]</sup> in the wilderness; <sup>19</sup>and he overthrew seven nations in Canaan, giving their land to his people as their inheritance. <sup>20</sup>All this took about 450 years. “After this, God gave them judges until the time of Samuel the prophet. <sup>21</sup>Then the people asked for a king, and he gave them Saul son of Kish, of the tribe of Benjamin, who ruled forty years. <sup>22</sup>After removing Saul, he made David their king. God testified concerning him: ‘I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.’

- Pray that we would be those who will walk in obedience everyday and that God would expand our sphere of influence: where we have been impacting small groups that we would begin to impact bigger groups etc.

### Prayer Point 3

- Pray that we would be those who look up to God for our prosperity and not men.
- Pray that we would allow God to lead us with His mighty power.
- Pray that we would desire God's best for our lives rather than insisting on what we want or what we think is good for us.

### Prayer Point 4

**Acts 13:23-25** <sup>23</sup>“From this man’s descendants God has brought to Israel the Savior Jesus, as he promised. <sup>24</sup>Before the coming of Jesus, John preached repentance and baptism to all the people of Israel. <sup>25</sup>As John was completing his work, he said: ‘Who do you suppose I am? I am not the one you are looking for. But there is one coming after me whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.’

- Pray that you would be humble enough to reposition your heart and never to see yourself more highly than you ought to.

### Prayer Point 5

**Acts 13:32-37** <sup>32</sup>“We tell you the good news: What God promised our ancestors <sup>33</sup>he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus. As it is written in the second Psalm: “‘You are my son; today I have become your father.’<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>34</sup>God raised him from the dead so that he will never be subject to decay. As God has said, “‘I will give you the holy and sure blessings promised to David.’<sup>[d]</sup> <sup>35</sup>So it is also stated elsewhere: “‘You will not let your holy one see decay.’<sup>[e]</sup> <sup>36</sup>“Now when David had served God’s purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors and his body decayed. <sup>37</sup>But the one whom God raised from the dead did not see decay.

- Pray that the Holy Spirit would reveal to you God's purpose for our generation.
- Pray that we would be faithful custodians of the promises of God for our generation.

### Prayer Point 6

**Acts 13:38-40** <sup>38</sup>“Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. <sup>39</sup>Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses. <sup>40</sup>Take care that what the prophets have said does not happen to you:

- Ask the Holy Spirit to break you free from every sin in your life including any form of addiction that may be tormenting you.
- Pray that the Word preached in our Churches will always be Christo-centric.

### **Prayer Point 7**

**Acts 13:41-43** <sup>41</sup>“Look, you scoffers, wonder and perish, for I am going to do something in your days that you would never believe, even if someone told you.”<sup>[f]</sup> <sup>42</sup>As Paul and Barnabas were leaving the synagogue, the people invited them to speak further about these things on the next Sabbath. <sup>43</sup>When the congregation was dismissed, many of the Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who talked with them and urged them to continue in the grace of God.

- Pray that we would be a persevering Church that pushes through until the Gospel of God is preached in all regions that God has called us to.

### **Prayer Point 8**

- Pray that the glory of God would manifest in our Church.
- Pray that the apostolic mandate that God has given our Church would not be hindered by the enemy.

### **Prayer Point 9**

**Acts 13:45** When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy. They began to contradict what Paul was saying and heaped abuse on him.

- Pray for an alert spirit that is not oblivious to the enemy’s arrows against you as you carry out the purposes of God. Ask for God’s wisdom to know how to deal with those arrows.

### **Prayer Point 10**

**Acts 13:46-48** <sup>46</sup>Then Paul and Barnabas answered them boldly: “We had to speak the word of God to you first. Since you reject it and do not consider yourselves worthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. <sup>47</sup>For this is what the Lord has commanded us: “I have made you<sup>[g]</sup> a light for the Gentiles, that you<sup>[h]</sup> may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.”<sup>[i]</sup> <sup>48</sup>When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and honored the word of the Lord; and all who were appointed for eternal life believed.

- Pray for wisdom to not waste your time on assignments where your gift is not appreciated but rather to detect where the life of God is and to go there.

### **Prayer Point 11**

**Acts 13:49-52** <sup>49</sup>The word of the Lord spread through the whole region. <sup>50</sup>But the Jewish leaders incited the God-fearing women of high standing and the leading men of the city. They stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region. <sup>51</sup>So they shook the dust off their feet as a warning to them and went to Iconium. <sup>52</sup>And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

- Ask the Holy Spirit to explore your heart and mind to ensure that you don't become prejudiced against people whom God has endorsed in your life and ministry.

### **Prayer Point 12**

**1 Corinthians 9:16** For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!

- Resolve in heart to never stop preaching the Word irrespective of any resistance that may come your way.