

## **Weekly Prayer Strategy**

**15 July – 21 July 2018**

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

### **Prayer Point 5 – Linear Time vs Flexible Time**

**2 Corinthians 1:16-18**

**I wanted to visit you on my way to Macedonia, and to return to you from Macedonia, and then to have you help me on my way to Judea. 17When I planned this, did I do it carelessly? Or do I make my plans by human standards, so as to say “Yes, yes” when I really mean “No, no”? 18But as surely as God is faithful, our message to you is not “Yes” and “No.”...**

- Pray that we would be a people always determined to follow the leading and pace of the Holy Spirit more than our own.

**Ephesians 5:15-17**

**Pay careful attention, then, to how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.**

- Pray that we would be the kind of believers always alert in our spirit man, never missing divine opportunity but trekking timeously with God.

**Psalms 90:12**

**So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

- Pray that each day of our lives would be geared toward advancing the Kingdom of God.

**Ecclesiastes 8:6**

**For there is a proper time and procedure for every matter.**

- Pray that we would be a Church with an understanding of the times and seasons to know what we should do in each life stage of our ministry.

**Luke 10:30-37**

**In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came**

where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'36“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?” 37The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

- Pray that we would be a people whose degree of empathy for other people supersedes the pressures of time.

#### **Luke 10:38-42**

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, “Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!” “Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”

- Pray that we would primarily prioritise spending time with Jesus rather than being distracted by other demands on our time.

#### **Prayer Point 6 – Low context vs High context**

##### **Matthew 13:9-11**

He who has ears, let him hear.” Then the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Why do You speak to the people in parables?” He replied, “The knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them....

- Pray that we would be a Church whose communication of the gospel is simple and clear but at the same seeking to understand the deeper mysteries of the gospel.

##### **Mark 3:14**

And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach.

- Pray that we would be a Church that will keep the main thing the main thing, advancing nothing but the Gospel of the Kingdom.

### **1 Corinthians 4:17**

**For this reason I have sent to you Timothy, my son whom I love, who is faithful in the Lord. He will remind you of my way of life in Christ Jesus, which agrees with what I teach everywhere in every church.**

- Pray that we would be conformed to the image of Christ, spreading His fragrance in all of life.

