

PRAY FIRST

JANUARY 2016 PRAYER POINTS

Jan. 1 - Ask Jesus to draw our hearts close to Him, to guide our minds, to so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly, utterly dedicated to Him this year. (James 4:8)

Jan. 2 - Pray that we would **BOLDLY** reach out to our friends/family/neighbors/co-workers that are far from God with the love of Jesus and share His love by inviting them to Crossbridge this year. (Acts 4:29)

Jan. 3 - Pray that we stay humble and listen to Jesus so He may use us, work in us, encourage others through us, and be glorified in us. (Eph. 1:3-6)

Jan. 4 - Pray we are **BOLDLY** generous in 2016. Ask our Father to pour out His generosity through us as we continue to **BOLDLY** trust Him, giving because He has first given all of Himself to us (2 Cor. 9:8)

Jan. 5 - Pray that all Crossbridge will impact their communities for Christ this year, wherever we are. (Mt. 5:16)

Jan. 6 - Pray for our families, that in the New Year we would seek His will for our homes, choosing to love when it's hard, being humble, graciously giving up our right to be right or the winner, because He first loved us. (Eph. 5:2)

Jan. 7 - Ask the Lord for all marriages in Crossbridge to become strong and healthy this year, reflecting Christ's love in and through our unity. (Eph. 5:32)

Jan. 8 - Pray for our hearts to be drawn to God's Word, so His Word will not only soften but also change our hearts for His glory. (Mt. 13:8)

Jan. 9 - Pray that many who are far from God will experience His presence at Crossbridge in the New Year, finding His presence just what their heart has been longing for. (Rom. 1:5-6)

Jan. 10 - Pray that this year we pray first more often, pray **BOLDLY**, and with complete child-like faith. (Matt. 18:19)

Jan. 11 - Ask God to help us be a people who are more often joyful than irritable, more peaceful than anxious, because the gospel is continually changing us as we yield to its power in us. (1 Thess. 5:16-18)

Jan. 12 - Ask God that in the New Year we get out of our comfort zone and make connections with neighbors, co-workers and acquaintances, investing in them because they are worthy of His love because of Christ, just as we are. (Luke 14:12)

Jan. 13 - Pray for our staff and pastors to be filled with the Spirit and know God's love in deep and personal ways this year, and they continue to press into Christ for the strength they need to follow Him and lead us. (Eph. 3:16-19)

Jan. 14 - Pray against distractions, all the stuff and status of the world that constantly vies for our attentions, and ask that we be drawn irresistibly to what really matters, the gospel and its power to change us. (Mt. 6:33)

Jan. 15 - Pray that Crossbridge would be unwavering in our resolve to make growing followers of Jesus Christ who make more growing followers of Jesus Christ. (Mt. 28:19)

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Jan. 16 - Ask our gracious Father to make hope alive again in hearts that are disillusioned or discouraged. (II Pet.1:2-3)

Jan. 17 - Pray the Gospel transforms Crossbridge students in every aspect of life as parents, volunteers and staff lead the students into deeper relationships with Christ. (Col. 1:9-12)

Jan. 18 - Ask Jesus to come and kindle in us His all-consuming fire, so we may be a part of what He's doing at Crossbridge and in our community. Pray we see the wonders of God this year because we look for them. (I Pet.1:3)

Jan. 19 - Pray for the worship ministry to continue to pursue Jesus with all their heart and ask our Father to protect them from distractions and temptations as they lead. (Phil.3:3)

Jan. 20 - Pray for the Lord to lead and direct the Elders and staff as they seek His will for our next steps this year in BOLD. (Ps. 32:8)

Jan. 21 - Pray we become people who love God's Word. Ask the Holy Spirit to make it alive as we study and hear it, and we take BOLD steps to commit His life-transforming Word to memory. (John 15:7)

Jan. 22 - Ask the Lord provide what we need financially as families. Pray for families who have needs this year, and ask our Father to meet their needs specifically, because He is the owner of it all! (Matt. 7:7)

Jan. 23 - Pray we would fix our eyes on Jesus, the One who gave us our faith and will continue to grow and perfect it. (Heb. 12:1-2)

Jan. 24 - Pray for our Mission Trip to El Salvador this June. Ask that those whose hearts are tender towards this ministry will be either open to going, investing so someone else can go or specifically praying for someone who is going. (Rom.10:14)

Jan. 25 - Ask that we stay soft to hear the voice of our Counselor as He leads us in the New Year. Pray as we listen, we rapidly repent and radically obey when He convicts or directs us. (Ps. 32:8)

Jan. 26 - Ask the Lord to help us think about things that are true, right, pure, and excellent and not to get bogged down in the negativity and entitled mindset of our culture. (Phil. 4:8)

Jan. 27 - Pray God to set a guard over our lips and hearts so we would only speak words that build and encourage, not tear down or hurt. (Prov.18:21)

Jan. 28 - Pray for the children's ministry and staff as it grows. Pray for protection over the staff, and for them to seek the Lord and be diligent to lead the children in the truth of the gospel as He guides. (Jas. 1:7)

Jan. 29 - Ask God to help us forgive when it doesn't seem fair, to let go when we would rather hold on to resentment or bitterness, and to take steps towards resolution and peace. (Matt.11:25-26)

Jan. 30 - Thank God that all things work for the good of those who love Him and are called according to His purpose, and ask that He help our unbelief when we struggle with the truth of the gospel. (Rom. 8:28)

Jan.31 - Pray we are a church that reaches out to others every week, never letting a single person go unnoticed in our services or community groups. (Acts 4:46-47)