

40 Days OF PRAYER

All Together Now The Power of Connection

“For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.” Mt. 18:20

The power of spiritual growth

“They all joined together constantly in prayer.” Acts 1:14

“They devoted themselves... to prayer...” Acts 2:42

“Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer...” Acts 3:1

“Once when **we were going to the place of prayer...**” Acts 16:16

“And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.” Acts 16:25

_____ happen in the lives of people who pray together!

1. Why have spiritual growth partners?

It's _____ to reach our potential on our _____

“The core battle in everyone’s life is to relate well to God, to worship Him, enjoy Him... obey every command (even the hard ones), and hope in Him when He seems to disappear. That’s a battle I cannot win alone. I need a community that is waging the same war and will include me in the fight.” – Larry Crabb, Connecting

“The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I don’t need you!’ And the head cannot say to the feet, ‘I don’t need you!’” 1 Corinthians 12:21

2. Who should I choose as spiritual growth partners?

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“Jonathan went to David... and helped him find strength in God. ‘Don’t be afraid,’ he said. ‘My father Saul will not lay a hand on you. You will be king over Israel...’” 1 Samuel 23:16-18

“Our chief want is someone who’ll inspire us to be what we know we could be.”
— Ralph Waldo Emerson

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“Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me— put it into practice.” Philippians 4:8-9

“People seldom improve when they have no other model but themselves to copy.”
—Oliver Goldsmith

“The way we grow in holiness is to be around people more holy than ourselves.”
—Oswald Chambers

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“He who listens to a life-giving rebuke will be at home among the wise. He who ignores discipline despises himself, but whoever heeds **correction** gains understanding.” Proverbs 15:31-32

“As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.” Proverbs 27:17

3. Who should I avoid as spiritual growth partners?

“He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.” Proverbs 13:20

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“Do not make friends with a hot-tempered man, do not associate with one easily angered, or you may learn his ways and get yourself ensnared.” Prov. 22:24-25

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“A gossip betrays a confidence; so avoid a man who talks too much.” Prov. 20:19

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“...do not join with the rebellious... who knows what calamities they can bring?” Proverbs 24:21-22

“About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God... Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake... all the prison doors flew open, and everybody’s chains came loose” Acts 16:25

Join us for a time of praying and praising God together next Sunday night, March 13 at 6 pm in the TLC auditorium. We have invited churches from all over Santa Cruz County!

Our prayer room in Monschke Hall 4 is open every day. Spend some time in silent prayer!

For Daily Meditations during the 40 Days of Prayer, please use the devotions in the 40 Days of Prayer booklet available in the lobby today!