



10 DAYS OF PRAYER

MAY 29 — JUNE 7, 2025

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✠ INTRODUCTION ✠

In anticipation of Pentecost Sunday, June 8, 2025, we set aside 10 Days to reflect on God's Word and pray, asking God to revive our hearts. We do this *together* because we want to be a *community* of global workers becoming more like Jesus.

We become more like Jesus as we spend time *with* Him. We reflect. We pray. We listen. As we spend time with Him, we get to know Him more deeply. Knowing Jesus deeply increases our desire and capacity to become *like* Him. And becoming like Jesus means we will do as Jesus did.

With this ambition, we will reflect on the prayers of the Apostle Paul during our 10 Days of Prayer this year. Through these Holy Spirit-inspired prayers we will come to know God's heart, His values and His priorities for His people. May God revive our own hearts as we pray for God's transforming work in others.

A simple format has been chosen for each day to help us meditate together on God's Word. The format is suitable for personal or community prayer.

Reading and Meditation Instructions

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 - Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
 - Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
 - With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
 - In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
 - How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.
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☞ DAY 1: MAY 29, 2025 ☞

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly. . .

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For this reason,

because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus
and your love for all the saints,

I do not cease to give thanks for you when I remember you in my prayers.

I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father,
will give you spiritual wisdom and revelation

in your growing knowledge of Him,

—since the eyes of your heart have been enlightened —

so that you can know

what is the hope of his calling,

what is the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints,

and what is the incomparable greatness of his power

toward us who believe,

as displayed in the exercise of his immense strength.

Ephesians 1:15-19 (NET)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Thank God for believers (by name) in your life who are living their faith and loving those around them.
 2. Pray that God will give spiritual wisdom and revelation to disciples (by name) in your life. Pray they grow to know God more deeply so that they can experience the three transforming truths in these verses: the hope of His calling, the wealth of the Father's inheritance in His children, and the greatness of His power to us who believe.
 3. Pray for members of local churches/denominations SIM partners within your country. Thank God for their faith and love; pray for growing understanding as they come to know and experience God more deeply.
 4. Pray this prayer for supporters who pray for you, and partner with you and SIM through finances.
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One Step

Share with someone an insight about Jesus you've grown to understand or appreciate recently.

Lord, it is *ten days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

☞ DAY 2: MAY 30, 2025 ☞

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

- Begin with silence; quiet yourself to pay attention to the Holy Spirit as you read.
- Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

For this reason* I kneel before the Father,
 from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name.
 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power
 through his Spirit in your inner being,
 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.
 And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power,
 together with all the Lord's holy people,
 to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,
 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge
 —that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.
 Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine,
 according to his power that is at work within us,
 to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations,
 for ever and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:14-21 (NIV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Examine and confess any seeds of disunity growing in your heart and ask for God's power to love with His limitless love.
2. Pray for believers (by name or specific situation) living in disunity and conflict around you. Pray that the powerful and unifying love of Christ will transform their hearts and relationships.
3. Pray that SIM people worldwide will be filled to the full measure of God (who is love) and be models and promoters of peace and reconciliation.
4. Pray for discouraged family or team members (by name) to grasp the infinite dimensions of God's love for them.
5. Pray for areas of political strife in our world.

*Paul had explained that Jewish and Gentile believers need no longer be at enmity with each other (Eph 2:15). Therefore, he prayed that they might experience the unity that was theirs spiritually in their relations with one another.

One Step

- With an act of kindness, bless someone with whom you have felt some relational tension.

Lord, it is *nine days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

☞ DAY 3: MAY 31, 2025 ☞

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

- Begin with silence; quiet yourself to pay attention to the Holy Spirit as you read.
- Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

And this is my prayer:

that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight,
 so that you may be able to discern what is best*
 and may 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.

Philippians 1:9-11 (NIV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Take time now to reflect and confess the ways you have not abounded in love for those around you.
2. Pray for your SIM community to abound in love for each other; confess corporate failings in this area and ask for God's work in hearts so that relationships bring glory and praise to God.
3. Pray for God's love to abound through your SIM team to people and communities who do not yet know Him; pray for discernment in knowing how to live and share the gospel with them.
4. Pray (by name) for those you know who need to experience God's redeeming and transforming love.
5. Pray that your supporting/commissioning churches will abound in love, purity and righteousness and discern how to advance the gospel in their context.

One Step

Ask God for wisdom in how you can show love to someone today and do it.

Lord, it is *eight days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*In the context this discernment applies primarily to what will best advance the gospel (cf. vv. 12-26).

☞ DAY 4: JUNE 1, 2025 ☞

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

- Begin with silence; quiet yourself to pay attention to the Holy Spirit as you read.
- Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

And so, from the day we heard,
 we have not ceased to pray for you,
 asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will
 in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
 so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him:
 bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;
 being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might,
 for all endurance and patience with joy;
 giving thanks to the Father,
 who has qualified you
 to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Colossians 1:9-12 (ESV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives

1. Give joyful thanks to our Father for qualifying us to share in the eternal inheritance of all believers.
2. Pray this prayer:
 - for your entity leader, for our International Director, Phil Bauman, and other SIM leaders God brings to your mind.
 - insert the name of your pastor and church leaders in your context.
 - for SIM TCKs you know who are adjusting to life in their passport or yet another country, while working or attending university.

One Step

Memorise a phrase from these verses and quote it many times today, reflecting on how it helps you live in a way that is pleasing to God.

Lord, it is *seven days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

🌀 DAY 5: JUNE 2, 2025 🌀

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

- Begin with silence; quiet yourself to pay attention to the Holy Spirit as you read.
- Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

Devote yourselves to prayer,
being watchful and thankful.

And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message,
so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains.
Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Colossians 4:2-4 (NIV)

Pray for me also, that I may be given the right words when I begin to speak
—that I may confidently make known the mystery of the gospel,
for which I am an ambassador in chains.
Pray that I may be able to speak boldly as I ought to speak. Ephesians 6:19-20 (NET)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Thank God for what you see Him doing in answer to your prayers for gospel-sharing opportunities; pray he will provide more open doors for you and your team.
2. Pray for open doors for all SIM's outreach-focused ministry teams; pray they will proclaim the gospel clearly, confidently and boldly in communities where Christ is least known.
3. Pray these prayers for local evangelists in your country serving in urban and rural areas, hospitals, various media, development and compassion ministries.
4. Pray that our SIM teams around the world will be devoted to prayer, always watching and thankful for God's answers.

One Step

Watch for, and take, an opportunity this week to share the gospel with someone.

Lord, it is *six days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

☞ DAY 6: JUNE 3, 2025 ☞

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

- Begin with silence; quiet yourself to pay attention to the Holy Spirit as you read.
 - Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
 - Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
 - With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
 - In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
 - How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.
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And may the Lord cause you to increase and abound in love for one another and for all,

just as we do for you,
so that your hearts are strengthened in holiness to be blameless before our God and Father

at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13 (NET)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Personalise this prayer for:
 - members of your immediate or extended family.
 - people you are coaching, mentoring, teaching...
 - your team-mates.
 - SIM leaders and those serving SIM's people as an essential ministry in your home country and country of service.
 2. Praise God for His amazing, transforming love and all it accomplishes in and through us!
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One Step

Discern from the Lord an act of *abounding love* you can express to another today and do it.

Lord, it is *five days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

🌀 DAY 7: JUNE 4, 2025 🌀

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...

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- Slowly read the verses two or three times, listening for what the Holy Spirit highlights.
- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless
at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, 28 (ESV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives

1. Praise God for His faithfulness, power and grace to sanctify *completely* each one of His children.
2. Pray for those you know who are going through serious trials, to experience God's peace and grace; pray they will be kept blameless/righteous/faultless.
 - family members
 - co-workers
 - friends and supporters
 - persecuted believers

One Step

Ask God, "Who in this next week might I pray this entire prayer over?" - in person, by phone or video app. Follow His leading to do so.

Lord, it is *four days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

🌀 DAY 8: JUNE 5, 2025 🌀

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- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

To this end we always pray for you,
 that our God may make you worthy of his calling
 and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power,
 so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him,
 according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12 (ESV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

- Praise God for His great grace that makes us worthy of His calling and, by His power, shapes our resolve and work to glorify Jesus.
- Pray this prayer
 - for specific SIM Ministry Point Persons, their teams and their areas of focus as God leads you. <https://siminternational.sharepoint.com/sites/MPP> (scroll to bottom of webpage),
 - for lay leaders of ministries in your local church.
 - for young people in your life who are growing followers of Jesus
 - for leaders of ministries to children, youth, university students, and Sports Friends.

One Step

Pray this prayer over a growing follower of Jesus this week.

Lord, it is *three days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

🌀 DAY 9: JUNE 6, 2025 🌀

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- Meditate on that highlight. Why might God be bringing this to your attention?
- With thanks, respond to God, expressing your thoughts to Him.
- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
- How will you practise what God has shown you? Ask God for His strength to do so.

First of all, then,

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings

be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions,

that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Saviour,

who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-4 (ESV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Praise God for His power to transform individuals, communities, even nations, as we follow His leading in prayer.
2. Pray for a community on your heart who have yet to hear God's good news of salvation.
3. Pray for International Director Phil Bauman, the SIM Board of Governors, the directors and boards of SIM entities.
4. Pray for the governing leadership (national, regional, municipal) in your passport country and country of service.
5. Pray for school boards, police, health services and others that come to mind.
6. Pray God will bring peace to countries experiencing armed conflict, internally or externally, so that gospel proclamation can flourish.

One Step

Write a note, text or email to thank a leader for their service and assure them of your prayers.

Lord, it is *two days* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.

☞ DAY 10: JUNE 7, 2025 ☞

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- In peace, be still and rest in God's presence.
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Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father,
 who loved us and by grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope,
 encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good thing you do or say.
 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 (NET)

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way.
 The Lord be with you all. 2 Thessalonians 3:16 (ESV)

Ask – Seek – Knock

Pray God's word will accomplish His purposes in people's lives:

1. Who in your life needs to be reminded of our Father's eternal comfort and good hope? Pray they will be encouraged and strengthened in every good thing they do or say today.
 2. Pray for those you know who are troubled, worried, anxiety-filled and in need of the Lord's peace.
 3. Pray for our brothers and sisters who are suffering for their faith to be encouraged, strengthened and to experience God's peace at all times in every way.
 4. Pray the gospel of peace will spread in highly restricted countries that the Lord brings to your mind.
 5. Pray that all SIM workers will be assured that the Lord is with them and will persevere through challenges as they live in that reality.
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One Step

Encourage a brother or sister by sharing with them the ways God has encouraged you or given you peace in the last few weeks.

Lord, it is *one day* before Pentecost. Like the believers who gathered to pray in Jerusalem, we gather to pray with great anticipation of what you will accomplish. Holy Spirit, revive us again and propel us out of this prayer gathering with renewed hope as we make you known in communities where you are not known. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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