# THE ORISON

ôr'ĭ-s**a**n -.(n.) prayer, petition, to speak to God

### Prayer petitions from the NTC Center for Church Development

The Center for Church Development invites you to pray for the following seven petitions this month. You may pray for one each day of the week, or all seven each day. Please print off this page and/or keep The Orison at hand where you pray.

## A Call to Prayer for our Mission Field

PRAY FOR THE CCD'S UPCOMING EVENTS. MAY GOD USE THESE TRAININGS TO EQUIP THE SAINTS FOR MINISTRY - EPH. 4:12

#### • Thursday, August 12 7:00pm to 8:00pm - New Faces in New Spaces Webinar- Rev. Luke Edwards

will be our speaker on this webinar about New Faces / New Spaces. Luke is the Associate Director of Church Development for the West North Carolina Conference who has dedicated a great amount of his work in creating and supporting the creation of Fresh Expressions. To participate in this webinar **Register here** 

#### Thursday, Sept. 9 9:30am to 11:00am - Income **Generating Ministries** Webinar - Join us to learn about creating and launching social enterprises and how to leverage them to maximize ministry impact in the community and income. To participate in this webinar Register here.

#### Saturday, Sept 18 from 9:00am to 4:00pm - Launch! - loin us as we learn practical steps from proven practitioners on how to start new worship services and how multiplication can bring vitalization to your church. After the presentation, we will break into groups for further discussions and practical approaches on launching worship services. Register here

For more information on any of these learning opportunities, please contact Ministry Coordinator, Jessica Vargas at

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- Innovative Ministries Praying for new and creative ways to do ministry to maximize our missional impact in our communities.
- New Worship Services / New Faith Communities Data shows that churches starting new worship services reach more people. Pray for churches that are launching new worship services and/or considering launching new worship services/communities.
- Genesis Cohort This cohort brings together those who are interested in church planting and multiplication. Pray for this cohort as the harvest is great, but the number of church planters in the NTC are few. Pray to the Lord of the Harvest for these laborers.
- Umphress Road UMC is meeting in Axe Memorial as their sanctuary is being remodeled. Pray for their time away from their church home and for their mission field upon their return.
- Latinx Fellowship We pray for God to help us identify, invest in, and empower young Latinx leaders who can lead in our churches and start new ones so that the North Texas United Methodists would reflect the reality of our neighborhoods. We pray for those leaders who have come through the Latinx Fellowship and those currently participating in it. May they discern Jesus' call on their lives, may they tap into the passion in their hearts, and may they be fruitful in whatever they put their hands to do. Continue to pour out resources and fill us with vision for empowering a new generation of leaders.
- **Rural Black Churches -** God's Kingdom, Ferris; Haven Chapel, Denison; Mount Zion, Paris; St. Paul, Clarksville; Warren Chapel, Terrell. Pray for their pastors, their leaders, and the vital witness of these congregations in rural NTC communities.
- Microchurches: New Faces in New Spaces Rebrand & **Relaunch** - Our mission field is hungering for community. The CCD is working to fulfill that need in our communities by encouraging the creation of microchurches (New Faces in New Spaces). Places where those unchurched, or who have been away from the church, can be part of a growing, God-loving community.

## ANSWERED PETITIONS New Faces / New Spaces (Microchurches)

We have prayed for the creation of new spaces to gather new faces. These practitioners have answered the call and created new spaces. Please keep them in your prayers for these spaces to grow and multiply, for those who closed during the pandemic to reemerge and for the continued creation of new ones.



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