



## BIBLE READING & PRAYER GUIDE

*January 16-21*

### SCRIPTURE MEMORY

**1 Thessalonians 4:7**

“For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.”

### BIBLE READING PLAN AND GUIDE

#### Daily Reading Schedule

**Day 1** – Colossians 3:1-17

**Day 2** – 1 Thessalonians 4:3-7

**Day 3** – James 1:27

**Day 4** – Romans 6:19-23

**Day 5** – James 3:17; Psalm 119:9; Zechariah 4:6

**Day 6** – Psalm 24

#### Bible Reading Guide

As you read these passages each day, ask yourself the corresponding questions:

**Day 1** – This passage is our foundation for our study. Weigh Christ’s actions on your behalf against any impurity in your life? What motivation do you have to remove impurity?

**Day 2** – Have you been living that a certain level of impurity in your life is tolerable before God? Based off this passage – what is the truth?

**Day 3** – What are some ways that impurity can creep into the church though at first glance appear harmless? How well is FHBC living out James 1:27? How can we improve? Who do you need to talk to?

**Day 4** – What does this passage say is the cost of impurity? How have you been positioning your life to allow impurity? What needs to change?

**Day 5** – Since the Bible unlocks the wisdom to overcome impurity, what can you do to raise the priority of the Bible influencing every day of your life? Think practical.

**Day 6** – Have you lifted your life to idols through things that are impure? Pray this Psalm to God.

### PRAY FOR LIVES AND CHURCH

As we journey ahead on our *chiseled* path we come to the topic of impurity. Pray this week that FHBC would embrace the truth of God that His desire is for no impurity to be in our life. Pray that all of us would take a hard and practical look at our life to identify impurity and then “put it to death.”

In praying for ministries/people this week, pray for our **Ushers**. This group of faithful servants helps set the environment for our worship gatherings. Often these men are the first impressions that our members and guests have about FHBC. Pray for them to continue to express the love of Christ to all who come and as they assist in creating a safe and orderly worship service so that everyone is able to worship without distractions. Pray for Phil Potts as he coordinates these teams.

## **PRAY FOR LOCAL**

**Focus:** Doctors, Nurses, and Staff of Santa Rosa Medical Center

**Local Church:** Berrydale Baptist Church; Pastor Robert Gandy

**Day 1:** Pray for the doctors/nurses at SRMC. Say a prayer of thanks for their commitment and take the opportunity express your gratitude if you go.

**Day 2:** Pray for the administrators of SRMC who have to work with the staff as well as ever-changing medical standards.

**Day 3:** Pray for CEO Phillip Wright as he leads SRMC to create the best local health care.

**Day 4:** Pray for the church to continue to discover the best way to disciple its members to disciple those in the rural community of Berrydale.

**Day 5:** Pray for BBC's search for a Minister of Music.

**Day 6:** Pray for Pastor Robert Gandy as he leads BBC to reach to Berrydale community..

## **PRAY FOR GLOBAL**

**Partner:** This week we are praying for Africa

**Day 1:** Pray for medical provisions to come to regions that are suffering from the outbreak of cancer and HIV/AIDS.

**Day 2:** Pray for there to be healing in the economy, restoration of agriculture and godly leadership

**Day 3:** Pray for the Christians to be bold against Muslim persecution that is taking many lives.

**Day 4:** Pray for further doors to open for the gospel and church plants in Zimbabwe and Kenya.

**Day 5:** Pray for there to be unity in the body of Christ throughout the entire continent.

**Day 6:** Pray for the all-night prayer meetings of the Redeemed Christian Church in Nigeria – called Holy Ghost Services that attract an average of 500,000.

## **URGENT NAMES AND NEEDS**

- Pray for Ashley King (cousin of Tommy Dobbs) with terminal cancer.
- Pray for Betty Work (mother of Barbara Smith and Grandmother of Candace Nall) with terminal cancer.
- Pray for the homeless and the heatless during the winter and those who are truly seeking to get on their feet.
- Pray for Joe Nobles
- Pray for Larry Donaldson as he undergoes upcoming medical testing.
- Pray for Megan Dawson as they seek do address medical issues related to her kidneys.
- Pray for Kohlton James (great-grandson of Red James) who is 2 ½ years old with numerous tumors.
- Pray for Ray Parks (Brother of Julie Griffin)
- Pray for the Pastor and Personnel Team as they prayerfully search for our next minister of music.
- Additional People to pray for : James Beasley, Dana Kaneales, Beverly Roller, Paul Stamount