

Thank you for taking The Next Step when it comes to praying. You won't regret it. Remember: Praying invites God's power and inverts our perspective. Taking time to do this could have a huge impact on your life. Please choose which step below is YOUR next step and go for it!

STEP 3: FASTING AND PRAYING IN 2014

Fasting is a great spiritual discipline Jesus and apostles did where you give up food, certain types of food, or other activities for a period of time to focus on prayer. Fasting for a day is a great way to remind you of how desperately you are seeking God in a situation that you would skip food. If you have never fasted, do some research or email info@axchurch.com and we will help you get started!

STEP 2 : 1 MONTH PRAYER CALENDAR

Join the Ax Church leadership team and a whole community of people from the church as we all focus our prayer on specific things for this next year as a church. Add this to your own daily prayer time and together we can see amazing things happen. The back of this sheet has the list of topics for the next 30 days. This could change our church forever!

STEP 1 : 1 WEEK 5 MINUTE PRAYER

Stop before you go to bed, wake up 5 minutes early, or use your break at work to pray for 5 minutes. Use the acronym P.R.A.Y. to help. Praise God for his blessings in your life. Repent of sins you are currently struggling with. Ask him for help or wisdom in areas of your life. Yield to him for a moment by being silent and inviting God to speak to you through a thought or word. Do each of these for about a minute an you are done!



You aren't responsible for understanding entirely where your faith journey is leading you... your just need to take THE NEXT STEP.

30 Days:

1. Easter Sunday: Amazing attendance and salvation!
2. Summer 2014: Opportunities to share God's love in creative ways.
3. At The Movies Classic: Tons of visitors to interact with the gospel!
4. Christmas 2014: People who would never come to church coming to Ax!
5. Ax Students: Students to stand apart from the world. Face trials and trust Jesus.
6. Ax Kidz: Children to understand Jesus. More volunteers.
7. The Alpha Course: Ax is hoping to run 2 this year. Pray for people and help.
8. SubGroups: Everyone would get plugged in, meet friends, grow in faith.
9. Environment Team: God bless the people. More volunteers. Attention to details.
10. Greeting Team: God bless the people. More volunteers. Big smiles.
11. Tech Team: God bless the people. More volunteers. Terrific understanding.
12. Worship Team: God bless the people. Grow in spiritual and musical gifts.
13. Courtesy Team: God bless the people. More volunteers. Kind hospitality.
14. Our Landlords: Pete Simms and Jeff Grove. God bless them.
15. The City of LaSalle: Growth in passion for Jesus. Opportunities to serve them.
16. The City of Peru: Growth in passion for Jesus. Opportunities to serve them.
17. The City of Oglesby: Growth in passion for Jesus. Opportunities to serve them.
18. The City of Spring Valley: Growth in passion for Jesus. Opportunities to serve them.
19. The City of Utica: Growth in passion for Jesus. Opportunities to serve them.
20. Pastor Cameron: Hearing God clearly. Increased love of Jesus and people. Blessings.
21. Pastor Debbie: Hearing God clearly. Increased love of Jesus and people. Blessings.
22. The Church People: Increase in love of Jesus. Trust him no matter what.
23. The Church People: Willingness to serve church and people.
24. The Church People: Generosity in the church and other opportunities.
25. The Church People: Passion to invite people to church and share Jesus.
26. The Church People: Faith to say no to temptations and poor choices.
27. The Illinois Valley Food Pantry: Blessed with plenty of food and workers.
28. Freedom House: Supplied with finances and workers to care for victims
29. Illinois Valley PADS: Blessings of finances and workers to shelter homeless.
30. Leaders of our 5 cities: Mayors and councilmen to make wise decisions.

