



Daily Prayer Guide

July - December 2024

Earle Street Baptist Church



Our **Mission**

The mission of Earle Street Baptist Church is to worship God (worship); to share the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed (missions); to be a home to all who would enter (fellowship); to minister to the needs of one another (ministry); and to assist in spiritual growth (spiritual growth).

This daily prayer guide is offered as a way to encourage our church family to be unified in our daily praying, not as a substitute for our personal prayers.

The ESBC Prayer Team



July

**The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
I have a goodly heritage. (John 14:7)**

1. Lord, may our hearts and minds be attuned to the low whisper of your true voice. Give us ears to hear you, Christ. **(1 Kings 19:11)**
2. "Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge...I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me."
(Psalm 16:1,7)
3. My King, may our church be united in a spirit of love. May we be free from grudges. **(1 Peter 3:8-15)**
4. Bless our nation, Lord God. Guide our leaders. Turn their hearts that we might be beacons of your love to the whole world.
5. Lord, when we are tempted to repay evil for evil, may we see our evil inclination for what it is, and may we choose to bless instead.
6. "Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good?" God, as we find our path, we are eager to do good. **(1 Peter 3:13)**
7. "God has made the wisdom of this world look foolish." Lord, let us see through the illusion of bad doctrine. **(1 Corinthians 1:20)**
8. "Do not be afraid; from now on, you will be catching people." Make Earle Street a fearless blessing to our community. **(Luke 5:10)**
9. "So the people kept their distance, while Moses approached the dark cloud where God was." Give us courage, Christ! **(Exodus 20:21)**
10. "The precepts of the Lord are right and give joy to the heart." May we know true joy, and in joy may we find your law. **(Psalm 19:8)**
11. We are dead to sin, free from bondage. Praise God! **(Romans 6:11)**



July

Our hope is not deceptive. The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. (Romans 5:5)

12. "Anyone who nurses anger against his brother must be brought to justice." Keep us from indulging in rivalry, Lord God. **(Matthew 5:22)**

13. "The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till and keep it." Allow us to work with you, in participation of building your kingdom, O God. **(Genesis 2:15)**

14. "The Lord frustrates the purposes of nations; he foils the plans of the peoples." Keep us from putting too much trust in the wrong people or principles, Heavenly King. **(Psalm 33:10)**

15. "But the Lord's own purpose stands for ever, and the plans he has in mind endure for all generations." Praise God! **(Psalm 33:11)**

16. "For sin pays a wage, and the wage is death, but God gives freely, and his gift is eternal life in union with Christ Jesus our Lord." May we be humbled by your generosity, O Lord. **(Romans 6:23)**

17. "Jesus called his disciples and said to them, 'My heart goes out to these people.'" Thank you, compassionate Christ. **(Mark 8:1b-2a)**

18. "Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? Says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth?" We cherish the nearness of your presence, eternal King. **(Jeremiah 23:24)**

19. "Lord, I love the house where you dwell, the place where your glory resides." May we rest with you in your palace, Lord **(Psalm 26:8)**

20. "All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God." We are led, and so we know we are yours, O Lord. **(Romans 8:14)**

21. "All along I showed you that it is our duty to help the weak in this way, by hard work." Give us strength to do our kingdom work, Lord. **(Acts 20:35)**



July

[In Jesus] it has always been “Yes.” For in him, every one of God’s promises is a “Yes.” For this reason it is through him that we say the “Amen,” to the glory of God. **(2 Corinthians 1:19b-20)**

22. “A good tree always yields sound fruit, and a poor tree bad fruit.” Show us that the work of our church is good work. **(Matthew 7:17)**

23. Lord, we need your guidance. We will inevitably go astray without your presence. We submit ourselves to your love.

24. Lord, have pity on us as you desire and as you well know how.

25. “The way of God is blameless; the Lord’s word has stood the test; he is the shield of all who take refuge in him.” **(2 Samuel 22:31)**

26. “God, be gracious to me in your faithful love; in the fullness of your mercy blot out my misdeeds... For well I know my misdeeds, and my sins confront me all the time.” **(Psalm 51:1,3)**

27. “Against you only have I sinned and have done what displeases; you are right when you accuse me and justified in passing sentence.” **(Psalm 51:4)**

28. Give us your higher vision and priorities, O God. “You desire faithfulness in the inmost being, so teach me wisdom in my heart.” **(Psalm 51:6)**

29. “So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall.” Lord, you alone are our source of peace and balance. May we not overly esteem our own strength apart from you. **(1 Corinthians 10:12)**

30. Lord, our lives are but fleeting, but your kingdom is eternal. May we use our time and resources in this life to enrich our relationships with one another and thus have eternal impact **(Luke 16:1-9)**

31. You who pray in us, through us, with us, for us, and in spite of us: Amen! Alleluia!



August

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

1. We praise you everyday. Today the praise is for the wonderful plans you have for each of us.
2. We pray for your guidance as we seek to know the plans you have for us.
3. May we trust you completely each day.
4. Help us to always believe that your plans are to prosper us and not harm us.
5. Thank you that your plans give us hope.
6. Help us to keep that hope, even when life is hard.
7. “My hope is built on nothing less.” Edward Mote - Solid Rock
8. Thank you that your plans give us a future.
9. We pray that we follow you and please you daily.
10. “Lord, you bid us ever follow you with patient hope; and the future stands before us for our trust is in you.” Omar Schulz



August

“Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.”

Jeremiah 29:12

11. Thank you, Lord, for the gift and privilege to be able to call upon you.
12. Help us to call on you first and not as a last resort.
13. When we call on you, help us to slow down and spend precious time with you.
14. As we come and pray to you, help us to speak to you from our hearts and share our thoughts and questions.
15. **“Be still and know that I am God.” (Psalm 46:10a)**
Help us to do just that as we pray to you.
16. May our prayer times become more and more important to us. We want to be a praying church.
17. Thank you, Lord, that you listen to us as we pray.
18. Help us to be good listeners to you and to others.
19. Please continue to strengthen us during this transition.
20. We pray for patience, Lord, in all things.



August

**"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."
Jeremiah 29:13**

21. "If you seek Him, He will be found by you." **(1 Chronicles 28:9)**

22. "I seek you with all my heart, do not let me stray from your commands." **(Psalm 119:10)**

23. "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." **(Matthew 6:33)**

24. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Thomas Ken

25. "Thank you, Lord, that your mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning." **(Lamentations 3:22-26)**

26. "Be not afraid of saying too much in the praises of God. All the danger is of saying too little." -Matthew Henry

27. Father, we are so humbled when we praise you for how great you are.

28. Let us use Psalm 146 as our prayer today.

29. "What does the Lord require of you? To act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God." **(Micah 6:8)**

30. "Thank you, Lord, for your unfailing love." **(Psalm 107: 21-22)**

31. Let us read 1 Corinthians 13 today. As we pray ask God to help us be kind a patient with all.



September

1. Thank you, God, for loving us and choosing us before making the world to be holy through Christ. **(Ephesians 1:9)**
2. Father, help us to understand that you chose us to believe in you, to know you, and to understand that you alone are God; and there will never be another. **(Isaiah 43:10)**
3. During change in our lives, Father, help us to remember that you are always with us. **(Matthew 28:20)**
4. We ask God to help us choose things that make us wise in His eyes even though they seem foolish in the world's eyes. **(I Corinthians 1:27)**
5. God, help us to see our need for you and become rich in faith. **(James 2:5)**
6. Help us to choose life by loving the Lord, obeying Him, and committing firmly to Him. **(Deuteronomy 30:19)**
7. Thank you, Father, for choosing us to belong to you instead of to the world. **(John 15:16)**
8. Thank you, Heavenly Father, for sending Jesus to bring about the new covenant that speaks of forgiveness instead of vengeance. **(Hebrews 12:24)**
9. Be thankful today that we can have new lives by the glorious power of our Father who raised Christ from the dead. **(Romans 6:4)**
10. God, help us to allow you to change us into a new person by allowing you to transform our thinking. **(Romans 12:12)**



September

11. Thank you, Jesus, that by believing in you, anyone can become a new person. **(2 Corinthians 5:17)**

12. Thank you, Jesus, for being the light that shines in the darkness and can never be extinguished. **(John 1:5)**

13. Thank God for providing a permanent home where the gates are never closed at the end of the day because there is no night there. **(Revelation 21:25)**

14. Let us thank God for His beautiful creation of the world as we see the seasons change.

15. Let us thank Jesus for freeing us from many rules for becoming a Christian and sharing that the only requirement is to be transformed into a new creature. **(Galatians 6:15)**

16. Thank you, Father, for the new covenant you promised the people of Israel long ago. **(Jeremiah 31:31)**

17. Since God has called us out of darkness into His wonderful light, help us to show others the goodness of God. **(1 Peter 2:9)**

18. As God commissioned the Israelites to be a light to the Gentiles, let us pray that we may be a light to all people. **(Isaiah 49:6)**

19. Thank you, God, that instead of walking in darkness, we can trust in you and rely on you. **(Isaiah 50:10)**

20. "The Lord is my light and my salvation, so why should I be afraid?" **(Psalms 27:1)**



September

21. Let us make God's word "a lamp for our feet and a light for our path." **(Psalm 119:105)**

22. Father, help us to live godly lives so that our lives will be "full of light and joy." **(Proverbs 13:9)**

23. "Let us walk in the light of the Lord." **(Isaiah 2:5)**

24. Help us, Father, to be the light of the world as you have called us. **(Matthew 5:14)**

25. Father in Heaven, help us to let our good deeds shine for all to see so that everyone will praise You. **(Matthew 5:16)**

26. Father, help us to use our worldly resources to benefit others. **(Luke 16:9)**

27. Let us give thanks to the Word that gave life to everything that was created and His life brought light to everyone. **(John 1:4)**

28. Since Jesus is the "light of the world," let us "follow Him and have light that leads to life." **(John 8:12)**

29. Now that we share "light from the Lord, let us live as people of the light." **(Ephesians 5:8)**

30. During times of change, help us, Father, to turn to the Word that is good news that lasts forever. **(I Peter 1:25)**



October

“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” John 11:25-26

1. Thank you, heavenly Father, for the protection of Your Word as I face everyday temptations.
2. Father, I fall so many times but how lovingly You give me Your strength to endure.
3. Thank You, God, for the revelation of Your love when you gave Your beloved Son to die for me. Nothing science will ever discover will surpass this divine miracle.
4. There are still areas of my life that need to come under Your authority, Lord Jesus. Give me grace and strength to yield everything to you.
5. My human spirit says, "Why, Lord?" but your Holy Spirit helps me say, "I trust you, Father."
6. Thank you, Lord, for the promise of filling my life with your love.
7. Lord Jesus, You are the living Christ whom I adore and serve.
8. It is so easy to criticize those close to me; but, Lord, give me Your unreserved love so that they may know how deeply I appreciate them.
9. Lord, my eyes have seen that only You are unchanging, eternal love. Help me put You first in everything I do.
10. Thank you, heavenly Father, that you have supplied my greatest need; for You have given me Your unfailing love.



October

“This is why it is said, ‘Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.’” Ephesians 5:14

11. Lord Jesus, when I gave my life to You, my days were flooded with the splendor of Your love.

12. Teach me to deny my selfish desires and obey your commandments, Lord Jesus. Cleanse me so that I may influence others for You.

13. By Your love I experience the delight of a peaceful heart. Deep down is the joy that cannot be taken away while I keep my eyes on You.

14. Forgive me, Jesus, my heart is far from pure. I confess to You my innermost thoughts.

15. Lord, I praise you for the gift of abundant life.

16. Lord, help me to carry Your love to lonely, hurting people who need to experience the joy of Your companionship.

17. Lord, your presence fills my mind with peace, bringing everything into perspective. I know that your plan is perfect for my life, even when I don't understand.

18. In Your name, Jesus, I have peace. My soul praises Your holy name.

19. Your comfort in times of sorrow, loving Lord Jesus, enfolds me; giving light and hope in my darkness.

20. In times of temptation, may I remember Your example, Lord Jesus.



October

"While the Israelites were encamped in Gilgal, at sunset on the fourteenth day of the month they kept the Passover in the lowlands of Jericho." Joshua 5:10

21. Your Spirit, dear Lord, fills the emptiness and longing of my soul.

22. Lord, when I begin to think of myself as important, draw my mind to the sacrifice that was made on my behalf.

23. Living Lord Jesus, knowing that You have prepared a place for me in heaven brings comfort and delight to my soul!

24. You love each one of us with a love that breaks through all barriers. Father, forgive me for judging others. Cleanse my heart, that I may be used to draw people together in the bond of Christ's unifying love.

25. Lord, when I am discouraged, reset my focus on You, the one who is always with me.

26. Lord Jesus, I rejoice that your presence satisfies the longings of my soul.

27. God, I fall again and again. Set my feet aright and strengthen me for Jesus' sake.

28. Lord Jesus, we need Your love and forgiveness in our hearts, if we are to love unselfishly.

29. When I hurt deep down inside Your love and compassion bring me hope and peace.

30. Knowing myself as I do, Lord, Your love and forgiveness never cease to amaze me. In this knowledge, help me show others that this love is theirs, too, if they will only accept it.

31. Father, whatever trials may come my way, I will take comfort in the glorious promise of heaven, knowing I will be with You!



November

1. As we approach the end of the year, we're thankful for the beauty of fall and for the time of rest for the earth that comes with winter.

2. Lord, even as we change our clocks for tomorrow, help us to remember that you are unchanging and always with us.

3. As we recognize All Saints Day today in our worship service, we remember all who have passed on to be with you.

"Life is eternal; and love is immortal; and death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight." -Rossiter Worthington Raymond

4. God, we pray for guidance as we consider choosing elected officials to lead our nation, state and communities.

5. Let us continue to seek Your Guidance, God, as we vote for our leaders.

6. Help us recommit ourselves to work together for the support of our communities and nation.

7. Let us remember to look to you for guidance in all areas of our life.
Proverbs16:3

8. We thank you God, for children and young people. Help us to listen to them.

9. Bless those with health challenges and help us to know how we can offer support.

10. Help us to see each new day, Lord, as an opportunity to begin again with You.



November

11. On this Veteran's Day we recommit ourselves to the support and service of the positive ideals on which our country was founded.

12. Help us all to look to You for resolutions to conflicts in our world, our communities, and our lives.

13. From Mother Teresa: "In the silence of our hearts God will speak to us if we stop talking and give Him a chance; if we listen, if we are quiet." **(Isaiah 30:15)**

14. From Mother Teresa: "The more we receive in our silent prayer, the more we can give in our active life."

15. We thank you, God, for family: for those in our biological families and all others who have become a family to us.

16. Thank you, God, for pets and the companionship they offer.

17. Strengthen our church leaders, Lord, as they look to You for guidance.

18. Help us know the things we need to do and let go of the rest.

19. Lead us all, Lord, in Your ways. **(Isaiah 30:21)**

20. Thank you, Lord, for our physical bodies and help us live in ways to keep ourselves healthy and strong.



November

21. Help us to depend on You in both sickness and in health.

22. Thank you for your healing presence in times of grief and the assurance that You are always with us.

23. "For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand and say unto thee, fear not, I will help you." **(Isaiah 41:13)**

24. "Ogive thanks to the Lord for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever." **(Psalm 107:1)**

25. As we prepare this week for Thanksgiving celebrations, help us not forget that everything ultimately comes from You.

26. "Count your many blessings, name them one by one. And it will surprise you what the Lord has done." (Hymn: "Count Your Blessings")

27. Even as we say thanks to You, Lord, show us how we can share the blessings we have received with others.

28. Thanksgiving Day "If the only prayer you ever pray is "Thank You", that would suffice." - Meister Eckhart

29. Help us to carry Thanksgiving forward and continue to recognize our blessings every day in the coming year.

30. And as we now enter the Advent season and a new church year, help us, God, to look forward in joy and hope.



December

God is Love

1. Lord, please guide our congregation as we seek our identity in these times.
2. Father, we do love you. Please guide us in your way.
3. Lord, please help us to always show love to one another.
4. God, please enable our committees to follow your will for our congregation.
5. God, may we be able to fulfill our goal: to welcome all who would enter our church.
6. Father, we pray for wisdom and truth in our church. May we follow your will.
7. As we remember our past wars, please guide us toward wisdom for peace in our time.
8. In times of disruption, uncertainty, and loss, O God, I turn to you. May my worship bring me closer to your call in my life.
9. Father, as we reach out to make disciples locally and globally, please enable and inspire us.
10. Father, please help us to know the plans you have for our church.



December

11. God, humble us to be sincere followers of you.

12. Heavenly Father, please help me to understand that your grace is sufficient for me.

13. Father, may we be persistent in our prayers for our church and its leadership.

14. God, may we pray and then leave the result to you. Humble us, Lord.

15. Dear God, we seek your will for our church's future. Please give us wisdom.

16. Lord, I am grateful for your grace and mercy. Please help me to follow you daily.

17. Gracious God, thank you for your grace poured on me that I might be yours.

18. Father, I give thanks for those who planted seeds of faith, and for others who nourished my faith, that I might know your deep and abiding love.

19. God, fill me with your Holy Spirit so that I might boldly share your love and forgiveness.

20. Almighty God, you listen when I call. Thank you for hearing me.



December

21. Father, when I am full of thoughts and feelings, help me to practice silence so that I might hear you and know you.

22. God, this day I thank you for holding me in your hand, hearing my prayers, and eternally loving me.

23. Father, I come to you with a grateful heart. Hear my gratitude and hold my cares. May I rest in the safety of your presence.

24. God, as your precious children, we seek to walk in your ways and long for the day when you shall be revealed, and we shall be like you.

25. Dear Jesus, on your birthday, I ask that you help me to love others as you love.

26. Holy One, help me to nurture the spirit of generosity. Make my heart humble and generous.

27. Father, you are greater than our hearts. Let us love, not in word and speech, but in truth and action.

28. God, abide in me that I may abide in you. May I seek to do your will in truth and in action.

29. Father, put in us a discerning Spirit to know love from ignorance, truth from error.

30. God, teach us to love one another. May we be born in you, and may others know you in our love for them.

31. Father, may your love be known again and again throughout the world by all who proclaim your name. You are Love.



Notes

THE ESBC GREATER WAY COVENANT

"LOVE GOD, LOVE NEIGHBORS, MAKE DISCIPLES"

MATTHEW 22:37-39

MATTHEW 28:19-20

The vision for Earle Street Baptist Church is that "the greater way" become our identity as a church, and the three components of "the greater way" become our core values.

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