

The Great  
**PRAYER**  
Experiment  
**PRAYING BEYOND THE IMMEDIATE ME**

1 Timothy 2:1-6

Pray for All \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1)

Pray for All \_\_\_\_\_ (2:2)

- \_\_\_\_\_ – ministry has a negative effect on their family
- \_\_\_\_\_ – serious conflict with a member once a month
- \_\_\_\_\_ – significant stress-related crisis at least once in their ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ – spouse needs to work to supplement the family income
- \_\_\_\_\_ – pastors' wives say they have no close friends
- \_\_\_\_\_ – pastors' wives say the greatest danger is burnout
- \_\_\_\_\_ – pastors' wives want more privacy
- \_\_\_\_\_ – more likely to be fired when working less than 50 hours a week
- \_\_\_\_\_ – considered leaving the pastorate in the past three months
- \_\_\_\_\_ – pastors' wives see his work schedule as a source of conflict
- \_\_\_\_\_ – think being in ministry is hazardous to family well-being

Power of Prayer \_\_\_\_\_ (Exodus 17)

## HOW TO PRAY FOR OTHERS MORE EFFECTIVELY

1. Pray for others as you wish others would pray for you.
2. Focus your intercessory prayers more on the spiritual issues of eternal significance than the material, physical, temporal needs of the other person.
3. Use scriptural prayers as appropriate. Below are two prayers Paul prayed for his followers:

### COLOSSIANS 1:9-12 (NLT)

<sup>9</sup> So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. <sup>10</sup> Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better.

<sup>11</sup> We also pray that you will be strengthened with all his glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy, <sup>12</sup> always thanking the Father. He has enabled you to share in the inheritance that belongs to his people, who live in the light.

### PHILIPPIANS 1:9-11 (NLT)

<sup>9</sup> I pray that your love will overflow more and more, and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding. <sup>10</sup> For I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ's return. <sup>11</sup> May you always be filled with the fruit of your salvation—the righteous character produced in your life by Jesus Christ—for this will bring much glory and praise to God.