

Bethel United Church of Jesus Christ (Apostolic)

Jamaica and the West Indies

Fasting & Prayer Guide - March 2025

THEME:CALLED, EQUIPPED AND READY TO GOMAIN SCRIPTURES:ROMANS 1:14-16; EPHESIANS 4:11-12;
1 CORINTHIANS 9:19-22

INTRODUCTION:

We have been called to do the work of the Lord! This is not a suggestion but a divine mandate. The Apostle Paul declares in **Romans 1:14-16** that he is a debtor to all people, eager to preach the gospel, unashamed of the power of God for salvation. Like Paul, we are also called to carry this message to a world in need.

But God does not call us without equipping us! **Ephesians 4:11-12** reminds us that He has given apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry. Each of us has a role to play; through His Spirit, we are empowered to serve effectively.

Yet, being called and equipped is not enough—we must also be ready and willing to go! Paul testifies in **1 Corinthians 9:19-22** that he became all things to all people, that by all means, he might save some. This is the heart of readiness—going where God sends us, adapting for the sake of the gospel, and labouring that souls may be won for Christ.

So today, let us answer the call with joy and commitment. Let us step forward in faith, knowing that God has already given us what we need to serve Him. And let us go forth in boldness. God is with us. May we be faithful labourers, shining the light of God, sharing His love, and bringing souls into His Kingdom.

DAY 1: Sunday, March 2

TOPIC: SURRENDERING TO THE CALL

SCRIPTURES: Romans 12:2; Jeremiah 1:5; Isaiah 6:8; 2 Timothy 2:4; 1 Peter 4:10; 1 Peter 5:8

- Pray for a mind that is transformed by the truth of God's words
- Pray that we will recognize and accept God's calling on our lives without hesitation.
- Pray that we yield, accept and obey the will of God above all else
- Pray that we will submit our gifts and talents to be used for God's glory.

DAY 2: Monday, March 3

TOPIC: EQUIPPED FOR MINISTRY

SCRIPTURES: Acts 6:3; Colossians 4:2; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Philippians 2:3-4; Ephesians 6:11-17; Hebrews 13:17

- Pray that we will be of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom.
- Pray that we will be devoted to prayer and the study of God's words
- Pray that we will be clothed in the full armour of God
- Pray that we will have teachable hearts and be willing to learn and submit to godly leaders.

DAY 3: Tuesday, March 4

TOPIC: UNASHAMED AND READY TO GO

SCRIPTURES: John 14:15; 1 Samuel 15:22; Colossians 4:3; Romans 10:14-15; Matthew 9:36-38; Romans 1:16; Ephesians 3:20

- Pray that we will have a heart of obedience
- Pray for a sense of urgency in sharing the gospel and the importance of Jesus as the only way to salvation.
- Pray that we will have a love for souls
- Pray that we will be confident in God's power to save and transform lives.

DAY 4: Wednesday, March 5

TOPIC: OVERCOMING BARRIERS TO MINISTRY

SCRIPTURES: 2 Timothy 1:7; Philippians 4:13; Ephesians 4:1-3; 2 Corinthians 9:8; Romans 8:37; James 1:12; Romans 5:3-4

- Pray that we will overcome fear and insecurity that hinder our ministries
- Pray for unity within the ministries, overcoming division, and building strong relationships.
- Pray for financial, spiritual, and physical resources to overcome ministry limitations.
- Pray that we will persevere in ministry despite setbacks and challenges.

DAY 5: Thursday, March 6

TOPIC: EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY GHOST

SCRIPTURES: Luke 10: 19; Mark 16:17-18; John 16:13: James 5:15; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5; Ephesians 5:25; 1 Peter 3:7; Colossians 3:13-14

- Pray that we will understand and exercise the authority given to us
- Pray that we will be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit
- Pray that strongholds and addictions will be broken
- Pray for healing in Marriages and other family relationships

DAY 6: Friday, March 7

TOPIC: BEARING FRUIT

SCRIPTURES: Galatians 6:9; Matthew 5:14-16; 1 Peter 3:15; Psalm 78:4; Luke 19:10; John 6:44

- Pray that we will remain faithful in planting and watering seeds of faith.
- Pray that we will leave a lasting spiritual legacy that glorifies God.
- Pray that the unsaved who hear the gospel will be convicted and come to recognize their need for salvation.

RECOMMENDED PRAYER TIMES

Morning @ 6:00 o'clock | @ 12 noon | Evening @ 6:00 o'clock

Psalm 55:17: Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice

Daniel 6:10: Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.

FASTING

We encourage every member, including our children, to fast during this period.

Isaiah 58:6-9: "Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?... Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer..."

N.B. Not only are we abstaining from food as we fast, but we also fast from television, social media, etc., especially when it robs us of our time with the Lord.

Organization Prayer Session

"Called, Equipped & Ready To Go"

Sunday, March 2, 2025 @ 7:30 p.m. via Zoom:

Meeting ID: 860 7524 3490; Passcode: PRAYER