Prayer Team Ministry

This in some ways can be the easiest to kick-off. The main decisions are

- 1. How do we collect prayers, distribute them to the team, and the get back to people who requested prayer?
- 2. What are the responsibilities of the prayer team?
- 3. How do we recruit prayer team members?

As of April 10, we have answered the top 3 questions and are starting to recruit prayer team members.

Structure

Our prayer ministry is co-led by two leaders and the prayer team reports to them. We feel co-leading takes the pressure off one person.

Processes

Receiving and distributing prayer requests

This is tricky because you want to make sure everyone has a way of making a request. People can request prayer through

- An email (you can setup a special email through yahoo or gmail and give the co-leaders access to it, like TBpraying@yahoo.com)
- Posting on the Hi Hands and Feet Facebook Group (realizing everyone will see the request)
- A google form which empties into a spreadsheet (link is regularly posted on the Facebook subdivision page and on the Group)
- Dropping a prayer request in several prayer boxes spread around the neighborhood.

All prayers eventually end up in the Google Sheet. Those received by note, email or Facebook posting are manually typed into the Google Sheet. The co-leaders will be emailing prayer lists to the prayer team as this list needs updated.

If people only want prayer by the co-leaders due to confidentiality, those prayer requests are noted separately. For this reason, the prayer Team does not have access to the Google Sheet.

The google form is on the last page of this pdf.

Connecting with People Requesting Prayer

Each prayer request, if we have a contact email/phone is assigned to a specific member of the team for follow-up. When prayers are answered, we will encourage those who requested prayer to post a praise on the Facebook Group.

Prayer Team Member Role & Responsibilities

Note: This page is shared with people when they request to be on the Prayer Team. We want them to feel their role is important, because it is, and it is critical to clarify expectations. If someone is known to gossip, they will not be accepted as a Prayer Team Member.

Thank you for considering this role. It is so critical that we lift up prayer needs to Jesus and let people know that they are being prayed for.

Purpose: To intercede on behalf of our neighbors and encourage people making requests that they are being prayed for

Commitment Required: ~15 minutes a day

Qualifications

- You enjoy praying
- You keep information confidential don't gossip

Responsibilities

- Check email daily for prayer and praise updates
- Pray for each person daily
- You also may receive other broader prayer requests from the Prayer co-leaders (Megan and Tami) so the entire Prayer Team is praying in unison
- Send those people designated as your "primary peeps" some communication of encouragement each week and see how they are doing
- When prayer is answered, encourage the person to post about it on the Group page and ask if it's ok that you share their praise with the prayer team and share the praise.
- If you can no longer fulfill this role, inform the co-leaders

Recruiting Prayer Team Members

We are

- Reaching out directly to invite people we know who are prayer warriors
- Connecting with those who through their Facebook posts indicated that they like to pray
- Asking on the subdivision Facebook to email us.

We are using email so we can send them the "Prayer Team Roles and Responsibilities" document and make sure they are aligned with the qualifications and agree to the responsibilities.

Google Form:

His Hands and Feet in Thornbrook Prayer Request

We would love to pray for you! Please fill out the form below to request prayer from our prayer team. For public prayer requests, you may also post on our Facebook group under the group prayer requests tab. You can write all requests in one or we have provided space for three separate prayers if you would prefer.
Email address * Valid email address
This form is collecting email addresses. Change settings
Full or partial name *
Short answer text
Prayer request *
Long answer text
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Who would you like to pray for you? *
O Prayer leaders only
○ Whole prayer team
Please include your phone number if you would like a follow up phone call.
Short answer text