Week of 24/7 Worship and Intercession

Guidelines and parameters

Prayer Leaders and intercessors

Thank you so much!!! We greatly love that you would like to be part of this week of night and day worship!

We recognize there are many valid approaches and styles of worship and prayer but we are asking everyone to follow the guidelines for this week as outlined below.

Our purpose for gathering this week as the Church of Jesus Christ is two-fold:

1. We come into this place as priests to minister to Jesus and the Father through the Holy Spirit.
2. As we minister to Him, the Holy Spirit reveals what is on His heart for our region and we then enter into intercession in agreement with Him.

Priestly Worship – you are stepping into the role of priest who stands before Him. In this we minister to His heart by giving our loving adoration directly to Him. This is simply one form of walking out what Jesus said was the first and foremost commandment: To Love God with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength.

Intercession – The worship leader may or may not include a time of intercession during the time you are in the Prayer Room. This is at their discretion.

God-ward Prayer - BIBLICAL prayers are God-centered spiritual warfare. All of the approximately 25-30 New Testament prayers are directed to and focused on God instead of sin and the devil. There are no New Testament prayers directed at the devil or at sin. Our primary focus is God-centered prayers instead of demon-centered or sin-focused prayers.

Addressing the Room - Please refrain from addressing the worshipers in the room, but maintain your personal focus on the Father and Son while you pray and lead the room in intercession.

Biblical Prayer – We encourage you to base your intercession on the biblical prayers found in the New Testament and Psalms. Agreement with the heart of God is most easily reached when we pray in agreement with the prayers He inspired to be written down in His word. A list of the New Testament prayers can be found on the table in the hallway or the back of the room.

1. ***Worship is agreement with who God is*** (Holy is the Lord, You are worthy, God is good). Worship is expressed by declaring the truth of God.
2. ***Intercession is agreement with what He promises to do*** (Lord, release Your Spirit in revival and judgment). Intercession is expressed by asking Him to do what He desires to do..
3. ***Repentance is coming into agreement with God's heart*** for us (holiness) and breaking agreement with darkness in our hearts.

4. ***Healing prayer is coming into agreement with God's heart for healing*** and breaking our agreement with sickness.

Prophetic Words/Declarations/Dreams – We are fully anticipating the Holy Spirit to speak to us individually as we come together during this week and set our hearts to know Him more. To allow the continued focus on Him during our worship and intercession, we are asking that everyone refrain from speaking out prophetic words or declarations or sharing dreams or experiences from the microphone. If you feel that what He has shared with you is meant to be shared with us, please write it out on the note cards on the back table and either give it to someone wearing an ERHOP name tag or place it in the basket on the table. We will gather them together, pray over them and make them available to the appropriate audience.

Praying in Tongues – Because we will have people from various streams of the Church, not everyone may be comfortable with tongues. At ERHOP we highly value and fully endorse the proper use of tongues as a form of prayer and worship (1 Cor 14 – He speaks to not to man, but to God) which includes singing in the Spirit (v 15). The worship leader may invite the room to Sing in the Spirit and we encourage you to sing in tongues or simply in english (or your native language) if you wish. This allows all to participate.

However, when it comes to praying in tongues by itself, if there are others in the room, we ask that you pray in tongues quietly and not on the microphone.