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A 40 Day Prayer Guide to Impact Our Community!

This *Prayer Calendar* looks at **the ways of God**, the **times He orchestrates**, and the **timing** He uses to accomplish **His will**. Throughout Scripture, we read of God's ways, of His working in precise ways with precise timing. He changed times. He changed people. He changed nations. What could God do today? The circumstances each of us faces may differ, but God who never changes can work today. We can **pray** and see God **answer**... "*as we pray for Him to Impact our Community.*"

AUGUST

<i>Timing of God</i>	<i>Real Revival</i>	<i>Today is the Day of Salvation</i>	<i>Waiting on God</i>	<i>Time to Pray</i>	<i>Will of God</i>	<i>In Light of Eternity</i>
Day 1 This Time 1 Esther 4:14. God works His will, His way, in His timing. As in Esther's day, He still uses time and timing. What is God wanting you to trust Him for "at this time"? His wisdom far exceeds our understanding.	Day 2 Restore 2 Psalm 85:1-7; 126:4. The "God of our salvation," can "restore" His people suddenly like the "streams in the Negev," from desert dry to rich and full life. His people rejoice in Him and many come to faith in Him.	Day 3 Today 3 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; 6:1-2. The Spirit urges anyone to receive the grace of God, to be reconciled to God, to become righteous and a new creation by faith in Christ "now!"	Day 4 Wondering 4 Psalm 13:1-6. David asked the Lord four times, "How long?" He lifted his burdened heart to the Lord, wanting Him to act sooner rather than later. God answered and "dealt bountifully" with David. Trust the Lord.	Day 5 Zacharias 5 Malachi 3:1; 4:6; Luke 1:13. The Angel Gabriel said Zacharias' prayer had been answered—he would have a son! He prayed that prayer many years before, but God waited on His Timing to bring the answer!	Day 6 Paul Wanted 6 Romans 1:9-15. Paul desired to come to Rome "by the will of God," He prayed and planned, but faced delays. He only wanted the will of God for his life and for those around him. Pray for God's will and His plans.	Day 7 When? 7 Matthew 24:36. No one knows the "day and hour" of the return of the Son of Man. Therefore, be ready every day. Do His will today, knowing this could be The Day or it could be one's last day before death.
Day 8 His Plans 8 Isaiah 25:1. God sees the end from the beginning. He forms and fulfills His plans with "perfect faithfulness," working His "wonders." Worship Him, trust Him, and give thanks to His name.	Day 9 Suddenly 9 2 Chronicles 29:3-36. Hezekiah began his reign, calling for cleansing of the priests, Temple, and worship. Great joy resulted with wonder that God brought this revival so "suddenly."	Day 10 She Believed 10 Mal. 4:2; Mark 5:25-34. She believed Jesus was the Messiah, "the Sun of Righteousness ... with healing in His wings," His outer cloak. With faith in Him, she touched, was saved and healed.	Day 11 Jesus' Delay 11 John 11:1-45. When Lazarus was sick, his sisters sent word to Jesus to come. Jesus delayed; His plans were better, a resurrection rather than only a healing. Trust God as you wait.	Day 12 While Praying 12 Genesis 24:12-27, 45, 48. Abraham sent his servant Eliezer to seek a wife for his son Isaac. While Eliezer was praying, God answered his prayer with precision and blessing.	Day 13 Stay or Leave? 13 Acts 18:9-11; 22:17-21. The Lord told Paul to stay in Corinth; later to leave Jerusalem because they would not accept his testimony about Jesus. There's a time to stay and a time to walk away.	Day 14 Jesus 14 John 17:1-5, 20-26. Jesus prayed for His disciples then and for us now to know eternal life, glory, and love. He is still answering that prayer and we are receiving His work in us, through us.
Day 15 Abram Prayed 15 Genesis 15:1-6; 18:1-15; 21:1-7; Romans 4:16-22. Abram prayed, waiting on the promise of God. He believed God was able to give him and Sarah a son, to bring something out of nothing.	Day 16 Many 16 Acts 18:5-11; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3. While in Corinth, Paul requested prayer from believers in Thessalonica for the work in Corinth. God answered and brought revival. "Many" believed in Christ.	Day 17 He is Able 17 Matthew 9:27-31; Hebrews 7:25. Jesus asked the blind men if they believed He was "able" to heal—Did they believe in Him as Messiah? They believed and were healed that day. Jesus is "able to save!"	Day 18 Forgot Him 18 Genesis 40:1-23; 41:9-14. For two years, the cupbearer forgot Joseph, but God did not. People may forget us; God never does. Wait on God and His timing, even though the time may seem long.	Day 19 Isaac Prayed 19 Genesis 25:20-21. Rebekah was barren for twenty years. When Isaac prayed for his wife, then the Lord "granted his plea." She gave birth to twins Esau and Jacob, an answer to prayer.	Day 20 God's Will 20 James 4:13-17. Our timing is not always God's timing. Pray first; plan second. "You are a vapor," that fades along with any riches. Each of us can pray for God's will, timing, and work.	Day 21 What Sort? 21 2 Peter 3:10-13. Since all will melt one day, what sort of people should we be? Live holy, godly, looking for His return and for "new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells."
Day 22 This Hour 22 John 12:27-33. Jesus based everything He did on the Father's will and precise timing. He trusted His Father about "this hour" of death and resurrection, willingly giving Himself to redeem.	Day 23 Rejoicing 23 Psalm 85:6-7; Acts 8:4-8. "Proclaiming" Christ and His Word, who He is and what He promises was the heart of the "rejoicing" in the city of Samaria. Jesus is the heart of revival today.	Day 24 As I Am 24 Acts 26:24-29. Paul desired and prayed for those listening to him to receive the truth and "become such as I am," a genuine believer and follower of Jesus Christ, a "Christian."	Day 25 Faith Waits 25 Hebrews 11:13-16, 39-40. Genuine faith is willing to wait on God for the fullness of what He promises. His best is far better than what we can imagine or plan on our own.	Day 26 Jacob Prayed 26 Genesis 32:3-12. Jacob faced the potential destruction of his family. He had some ideas of escape, but chose to spend time in prayer, seeking God's protection for his family.	Day 27 Real Purity 27 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8. God's will every day is purity personally and in every relationship. This is true love, the kind of love He shows to us and that He teaches us to practice with everyone.	Day 28 Unseen 28 1 Corinthians 2:9; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18. Unseen but real! What God has prepared for His children in eternity is beyond sight and beyond comprehension, but very real... forever.

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Day 29 On Time 29 Galatians 4:4-7. "In the fullness of time" (chronos, hours, days, years), at the exact time, God sent His Son to redeem people and make them sons and daughters in the family of God. God is never early or late.	Day 30 Refreshing 30 Acts 3:12-26; 4:4. Peter proclaimed and promised "times of refreshing" for all who would repent of sins and place faith in Jesus, the resurrected Messiah. Thousands repented and "believed."	Day 31 That Moment 31 Luke 18:9-14. The tax collector recognized his sin, calling himself "the sinner." At that moment, when he cried out in repentance for mercy, God saved him. He went to his house right with God—forgiven, justified.	Day 32 September Weaving 1 Psalm 27:14; Isaiah 40:31. Waiting is like weaving. The Lord is weaving the tapestry of His will. As we wait and pray, He is weaving and working. We cannot see all the details or the beauty of His work.	Day 33 She Asked 2 1 Samuel 1:8-20; 24-28; 2:1-10. In deep distress, Hannah "prayed" and "asked" the Lord for a son. He answered. She gave Samuel to the Lord and praised Him at the Tabernacle at Shiloh.	Day 34 Hezekiah 3 1 Kings 19:10-36. When Assyria invaded Judah, Hezekiah and others prayed, seeking God's will. He "heard" and destroyed their enemies, He delivered His people, to know Him better and do His will more fully.	Day 35 More Grace 4 Ephesians 2:4-7. Every believer has experienced abundant grace, but there is so much more to come "in the ages to come." God will show "the surpassing riches of His grace" to us. What a promise of more grace!
Day 36 Sleepless in Susa 5 Esther 6:1-14. God turns big doors on small hinges. He used a sleepless night as part of His deliverance of His people the Jews. Pray to the Lord about the burden on your heart. Trust Him even in the small matters!	Day 37 The Word 6 Acts 4:29-31; 6:4,7; 8:4;12:24;17:1-13; 19:8-10, 20 2 Thessalonians 3:1. When real revival comes, the word of the Lord is readily received. It spreads quickly as many repent of sin, believe and receive Jesus.	Day 38 Ripe Today 7 John 4:34-42. Jesus led His disciples into the harvest field in the Samaritan village of Sychar, an unlikely place for them. That field was ripe that day and they saw many come to faith in Christ as their Savior.	Day 39 Remembering 8 Genesis 37:5-11; 42:6-9a. Joseph "remembered the dreams" God gave him when he saw his brothers bow down to him. Though waiting many years, Joseph experienced God's timing in fulfilling those God-given dreams.	Day 40 You, Lord 9 Exodus 33:12-17; Psalm 25:4-14. Moses knew all that mattered was God's Presence, His leading. He prayed for His Presence and direction. David prayed the same way, to know the Lord, His ways, His paths, His truth.		
<p>Time! It's such a captivating subject. We are continually told of ways to "save time," "use your time," "spend some extra time." We are exhorted to look for "spare time" or "don't waste time." God exhorts us in Ephesians 5:15 to "redeem the time," referring to consciously "buying up" our time day by day, using it wisely, not foolishly, making the most of each moment. One of the best ways to make good use of time is to pray. Prayer is one of the best uses of time. God works in answer to prayer in ways that defy our human logic. He goes beyond our abilities and sensibilities to accomplish what only He could do... when we pray. We may face a battle over time or timing, even delays and detours, but God is at work, even when we cannot see His work.</p>						
<p>Be looking! Some of God's answers to Prayer:</p> <p>1) Yes, now, I am glad you asked. 2) Yes, but not yet. You or others are not ready. 3) Yes, little by little. Trust Me in this. 4) Yes, but different (or better) than you think. 5) Yes, but ask for more. 6) No, never. I love you too much.</p>						