

Praying For:
Your Pastor, Minister, or Priest: _____
And the New Start Ministries Director, Walt Valentine

Thank you for becoming a prayer intercessor for your Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and New Start Ministries. There is no better time to be praying for our church leaders, our churches, and others who are reaching out to lost souls and to disciple those who have accepted Christ as their Savior and Lord. I believe praying for the success of Christ centered ministries is pleasing to our Father because it lines up with the desire of His heart: **2 Peter 3:9** *The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.*

How wonderful it is that our Father in Heaven who made the entire universe wants us to pray and seek His face. **2 Chronicles 7:14** *If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.* This verse prescribes to us that we must become His people, which is attainable only through Christ (**John 14:6** *Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*), that we humble ourselves by keeping Him exalted in His proper place of sovereignty, and that we turn from our wicked ways, which is sin.

Meeting the conditions of this verse is possible through Christ's work on the cross, and His continual provision through the great and precious promises found in the Word of God: **2 Peter 1:4** *Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.* **1 John 1:9-10** *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.* ¹⁰ *If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.*

When we are cleansed and in right standing with God through Christ, we may come boldly in his presence to speak with Him about what we need and to intercede on the behalf of the needs of others: **Hebrews 4:16** *Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.* I don't know about you, but I find myself coming into His throne of grace daily because I need Him in all I do and want to please Him by praying for the success of others. There is nothing better than the realization of being in God's presence!

I have been personally challenged to live by: **1 Timothy 2:1-2** *I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications (prayer, request), prayers (praying earnestly), intercessions (an interview), [and] giving of thanks, be made for all men:* This has been quite a wonderful journey of allowing God to teach me how to pray for all men. I want to entice you towards the habit of interceding for others because you cannot do so without receiving a blessing for yourself.

In this verse the Strong's definition of the Greek word for "intercessions" is [1783 **ἐντευξις** enteuxis {ent'-yook-sis}] **Meaning:** 1) a falling in with, meeting with 1a) **an interview** 1a1) a coming together 1a2) to visit 1a3) converse or for any other cause 1b) that for which an interview is held 1b1) a conference or conversation 1b2) a petition, supplication.]

What excites me is, **"having a meeting, interview, conversation with God!"** I have confirmed from my own personal experience, when we are interceding for others, we are interviewing with God about the needs of others. When we are praying for others' needs and for the success of others in winning the lost and discipling new believers to mature in Christ, we are praying after the desires of our Heavenly Father's heart. There is a tremendous contentment and fulfillment that comes when we "meet with God in prayer" to pray in ways that please our Heavenly Father.

Let me also encourage you that your prayers will make a difference! **James 5:16**...*The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.* All it takes to make a person righteous is to be in right standing with God. Right standing comes through our faith in Christ and being diligent to obey the Word of God. **Hebrews 11:6** *But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.*

No one can steal your faith or your diligence, not even Satan! You are the righteous person born for such a time as this to pray for the success of Your Pastor and New Start Ministries. I pray you will be richly rewarded for your diligence in praying for others and serving in God's Kingdom. *Be blessed and be a blessing. Walt Valentine*

Each number represents the day of the month. Prayer targets for each day are underlined.

**Prayers for Pastors and Scripture selections are adapted from *31 Days of Praying for Your Pastor*.
Copyright *Revive Our Hearts*. Used with permission by *Revive Our Hearts*. www.ReviveOurHearts.com**

1. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will love You with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength. I pray that Your Spirit will work in their hearts in power and that they will value and follow biblical priorities. Deut. 6:5 *And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. Matthew 6:33 *But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.** I pray for NSM to have favor in building a network of participating churches throughout the state of Alabama and that Ministers and Pastors will catch the vision of the impact their churches can have in making a difference with DYS youth through Christian mentoring.
2. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will cultivate strong character and uncompromising integrity. I pray that their testimony will be genuine, and that they will never do anything that they would need to hide from others. I Timothy 1:5 *Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and [of] a good conscience, and [of] faith unfeigned: 3:7 *Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. Ephesians 6:10-12 *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. 11 *Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 *For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high [places].***** I pray for individuals who volunteer as Mentors and Pen-Pals to be faithful in writing and staying in contact with youth on a weekly basis. Please help them stay encouraged to pray and write youth consistently even when youth do not write back very often.
3. Father, I pray for my Pastor's, Minister's, or Priest's, and the NSM Director's personal walk with You and that their souls and spirits will be nourished and strengthened in their quiet time with You. I pray that they will spend more time in the Word of God rather than reading Christian books and articles. Mark 1:35 *And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed. II Timothy 2:15-16 *Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 16 *But shun profane [and] vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.*** I pray for DYS youth to find Christ while in DYS, to have a clear understanding of their salvation, and that they will pursue after a deeper relationship with Christ through consistent prayer and Bible study.
4. Father, I pray that as You provide opportunities, my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director, they will counsel, teach, train, and preach with discernment through the wise use of Scripture and faith in Your power to work. I pray that they will be protected from the effects of sinful or negative attitudes that they encounter. Mal. 2:7 *For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he [is] the messenger of the LORD of hosts.; James 1:5-6 *If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all [men] liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.; John 17:15 *I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.*** I pray that the Lord will add laborers to work in every area needed in NSM. Please provide Pen-Pals, Mentors, and volunteers needed to meet the needs of the ministry. Matthew 9:38 *Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.*
5. Father, I ask You to protect my Pastor's, Minister's, or Priest's, and the NSM Director's marriages (if applicable) and keep them strong as a model of Christ's relationship with the Church. I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will tenderly cherish and love their spouses, and that their spouses will show respect and encourage them as they lead in the ministries You have given them. Ephesians 5:23-24 *For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. 24 *Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so [let] the spouses [be] to their own husbands in every thing.** I pray for Pen-Pals and Mentors to be faithful in praying daily for DYS youth. Please bring prayer targets to their minds and words of encouragement from youth to let them know that their prayers are being answered.

6. Father, I pray that You will protect my Pastor's, Minister's, or Priest's, and the NSM Director's spouses from bitterness when any of them are criticized. I pray that their spouses' prayer and devotional life will be consistent, and that they will guard their mind and heart. Hebrews 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble [you], and thereby many be defiled; Proverbs 4:23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it [are] the issues of life. I pray for youth to be cooperative with the DYS program designed to help them get their lives back on track.
7. Father, I pray for my Pastor's, Minister's, or Priest's, and the NSM Director's children, and especially that the pressures of the ministry will not discourage or embitter them. I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will provide godly leadership in the home, not based on fear of what others will think, but according to Scriptural truth. Ephesians 6:4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.; Colossians 3:20-21 Children, obey [your] parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord. Fathers, provoke not your children [to anger], lest they be discouraged. I pray that prayer intercessors will be faithful in remembering to pray for their Pastors, Ministers, Priests, for NSM, and will recruit others to pray for the success of their church and NSM.
8. Father, I ask You to protect my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director from the evil plots of Satan. I pray that they will not be corrupted as they rub shoulders with the world in the course of ministry. John 17:15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.; Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue [that] shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This [is] the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness [is] of me, saith the LORD.; II Corinthians 2:11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.; I Peter 3:12 For the eyes of the Lord [are] over the righteous, and his ears [are open] unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord [is] against them that do evil.; Psalms 9:9-10 The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee., 91:11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. I pray that Pen-Pals and Mentors will be anointed by the Holy Spirit of God to know what to write in letters and how to encourage youth to remain faithful in their walk with Christ. I pray the Lord will give them wisdom on what scripture to share and appropriate testimonies of living victoriously in Christ.
9. Father, I pray that You will build a hedge of protection around my Pastor's, Minister's, or Priest's, and the NSM Director's marriages, and that husbands and wives in ministry will be aware of the potential for any improper relationships. I pray that their family time will be protected. (Ezekiel 22:30a And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.; II Corinthians 10:4-5 (For the weapons of our warfare [are] not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; Matthew 19:6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. I pray that DYS youth will learn to be respectful to authority, staff, teachers, counselors, etc., and that they will continue this behavior after they are released.
10. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will use discernment in the use of emails, the internet, and the media. Father, please guard their hearts concerning the use of free time. I pray that they will be morally pure and will wear the armor of God so that they will not fall into sexual temptation. Romans 13:14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.; I Peter 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.; Ephesians 6:10-18; II Corinthians 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds; I pray for timely background checks and training of new NSM volunteers.
11. Father, I pray that You will bring godly friends and encouragers to my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director and their families, to strengthen them for the work of the ministry, and provide meaningful fellowship and times of rest. Philippians 2:19-25 But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state. 20 For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state. 21 For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's. 22 But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the gospel. 23 Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me. 24 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come

shortly. 25 Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants. I pray that Pen-Pals and Mentors will develop favorable mentoring relationships with the youth they are assigned to.

12. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will be humble and authentic in their faith, not given to pride or hypocrisy. I pray that they will have pure motives and give You glory for every gain and victory. Micah 6:8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?; Galatians 6:14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.; John 7:17-18 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. ¹⁸ He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.; I Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. I pray that youth will be attentive in class, be motivated to do schoolwork, and see the value of learning skills to help them succeed in life.
13. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will make wise lifestyle choices in order to protect their health, especially in the areas of exercising, eating moderately, and getting sufficient rest. I pray for times of relaxation and renewal to balance the stress of ministry. Romans 12: 1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, [which is] your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what [is] that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.; I Corinthians 9:27 But I keep under my body, and bring [it] into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.; 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God [is] faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear [it]. 6:19-20 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost [which is] in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.; James 3:1-2 1 My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation. 2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same [is] a perfect man, [and] able also to bridle the whole body. 3 Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body. I pray that the Lord will provide the financial resources needed to continue and expand NSM operations. Please give wisdom and personnel to develop strategies in securing diverse streams of revenue for the work of the ministry.
14. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will focus on the Word of God and walk in the fear of the Lord, rather than the fear of man as they recruit and train others for ministry, and as they prepare messages when preaching. I pray that they will seek to please God rather than men, and pursue holiness rather than the praise of men. Acts 6:4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word Father, this is a desire of Pastor's heart, please grant it unto him.; Proverbs 19:23 The fear of the LORD [tendeth] to life: and [he that hath it] shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.; II Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.; Hebrews 11:6 But without faith [it is] impossible to please [him]: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and [that] he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.; & II Timothy 4:1-2 I charge [thee] therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. I pray Pen-Pals and Mentors will mentor with confidentiality regarding the things youth share with them.
15. Father, I pray that You will bless my Pastor, Minister, or Priest's leadership in our church, and the NSM Director's leadership with New Start Ministries so that they will make godly decisions. I pray that they will lead with a shepherd's heart, and that they will always speak the truth in love. (I Kings 3:9 Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?; I Peter 5:2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour.; Romans 12:6-8 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, [let us prophesy] according to the proportion of faith; 7 Or ministry, [let us wait] on [our] ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; 8 Or

he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, [let him do it] with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.; & Jeremiah 3:15 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.) I pray that youth in DYS will not be distracted by others or led astray with those exhibiting negative behavior.

16. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will be courageous in proclaiming Christ and will be confident in their use of the Word of God. Father, please help them share testimony and preach with insight, transparency, and humility. Colossians 1:28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus; 4:3a Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ...; Ephesians 6:19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel. I pray that NSM will successfully build bridges and develop strategies to identify and mobilize stakeholders to benefit and help youth in getting their lives back on track.
17. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will be “Great Commission people” - committed to personal evangelism and the equipping of the saints to seek the lost. I pray that the NSM Director will have a heart to develop a thriving mentoring ministry for Alabama’s delinquent youth, and that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest will have a heart to develop our church into the church You want it to be. Romans 10:15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!; Matthew 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. I pray that Pen-Pals and Mentors will be able to gauge the appropriate level to communicate effectively with the youth they are mentoring.
18. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will be people of prayer and worship. 1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing.; Acts 1:14a These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication; Matthew 4:10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.; Mark 1:35 And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.; Luke 22:46 And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. I pray that youth will gain insight into the events and behaviors that resulted in their placement in a DYS facility, and to accept responsibility for their behavior.
19. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will use wise time management and that they will seek Your perspective for their schedule, guarding their time against unnecessary interruptions. (Eph. 5:15-16 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, 16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil.; Col. 4:5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.; Ps 90:12 So teach [us] to number our days, that we may apply [our] hearts unto wisdom.; John 9:4 ⁴I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.) I pray that NSM will recruit and build strong ministry teams that can be duplicated throughout all Alabama Counties.
20. Father, I pray for a fresh divine anointing for my Pastor’s, Minister’s, or Priest’s, and the NSM Director’s ministries. I pray that Your working in their lives will be powerfully evident both in their personal lives and in the spiritual development of others. I Cor. 9:27 But I keep under my body, and bring [it] into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.; II Tim. 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.; Rom. 15:18-19a For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; I pray for the Lord’s guidance to guide Pen-Pals and Mentors about when and what appropriate information to send that will help youth regarding their new faith in Christ.
21. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will not give in to discouragement but will deal with inevitable criticism and conflict by committing themselves into Your hands, because You judges righteously. I Peter 2:23 He did not retaliate when he was insulted. When he suffered, he did not threaten to get even. He left his case in the hands of God, who always judges fairly. I pray for DYS youth to develop good working relationships with their counselor and probation officer.

22. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will practice servant leadership, edifying those serving their ministries with wisdom and with Your agape love. Galatians 5:13b by love serve one another.; Ephesians 6:7 With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men.; Luke 9:23-24 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. ²⁴For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it.; John 13:5-9 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. ⁶Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? ⁷Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter. ⁸Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me. ⁹Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.; & Philippians 2:3-4 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. ⁴Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. I pray that all Pen-Pals and Mentors will demonstrate attitudes and behavior that uphold Biblical standards in all situations.
23. Father, I pray for my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director to promote spiritual unity among churches, staff, and volunteers. I pray that the enemy will not be allowed to create divisions, strife, or misunderstanding among their ministries and any other churches or ministry partners. Romans 14:19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.; I Corinthians 12:25 That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another. I pray for the Lord to help youth deal with sensitive issues that may involve forgiving others, or seeking forgiveness for their behavior. I pray for youth to have improved family relationships.
24. Father, I pray that You will give my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director a clear, biblical vision of what ministries can be developed to bring You glory, and that they will communicate that vision clearly and confidently to those involved with their ministries and other churches. Prov. 29:18 Where [there is] no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy [is] he. John 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and [that] your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. II Tim. 3:5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) Mal. 3:11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts. I pray NSM will be open to seek the Lord about exploring new partnerships that could enhance and grow the ministry.
25. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will seek You for personal revival, revival in the church, their communities, and where ever they travel. 2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.; Psalm 69:32 The humble shall see this, and be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God. I pray that Mentors will befriend youth returning to the community, and their families, to make them feel welcome in the church.
26. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will think biblically with the mind of Christ. 1 Corinthians 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ. Colossians 2:6-8 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: ⁷ Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. ⁸ Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. Ephesians 4:17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, Philippians 2:5-8 ⁵ Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: ⁷ But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: ⁸ And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. I pray for youth to learn how to set goals and make plans on how to change their lives in positive ways.
27. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will earnestly seek Your will and be committed to instant and complete obedience-ready for You to work powerfully in and through their ministries. II Corinthians 10:3-5 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: ⁴(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) ⁵ Casting

down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; **Luke 9:23-24** And he said to them all, *If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.* ²⁴*For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it.* I pray that NSM will be effective in coaching, and equipping people and ministries to be successful in ministering to others.

28. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will strive for personal excellence and will believe You for all You want to do in their ministries. **II Peter 1:3** *According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that [pertain] unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Col. 3:23-24* *And whatsoever ye do, do [it] heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; 24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.* I pray for Pen-Pals and Mentors to be blessed in their ministry to youth, that they will share testimonies of their successes with NSM, and that they will help recruit others to participate in the ministry.
29. Father, I pray that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director will be people of faith and have a passionate love for You, not giving in to worries, fears, or an uptight and anxious spirit. **I John 4:18** *There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. Proverbs 3:5-6* *Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. ⁶ In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Philippians 4:6-7* *Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.* I pray for a smooth transition when youth are released to their families or to a place they have never been before.
30. Father, I ask You to provide for the financial needs of my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director, their families, and their ministries. I pray that they will be a wise stewards of both personal and ministry funds. **Phil. 4:19; Heb. 13:5** *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.; I Tim. 6:11* *But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.;* and **Ps. 37:25** *I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.* I pray NSM will be successful in accomplishing its mission as evidenced by changed lives, supportive statistics, and being able to successful proclaim the vision of the ministry to others.
31. Father, I ask that You heal any hurts that my Pastor, Minister, or Priest, and the NSM Director have suffered in the ministry. I pray that they will serve You with gladness and encourage those ministering and supporting their ministries to worship You with a joyful, surrendered spirit. **Isaiah 61:3** *To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness...* I pray that Pen-Pals and Mentors will continue to pray for youth after their mentoring commitment is complete, and that they will be willing to take on another assignment.