**Persistent**

**Prayer**

**“For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks,**

**it shall be opened.”**

**Luke 11:10**

**PRAISE – Daily Prayer of Praise:**

* Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I welcome and invite You into this time and space today. Come with the Light of Your Presence and the power of Your love and shine upon me, dwell with me, convict me, walk with me, abide with me. Unite my heart to fear Your Name gathering all its far-off, unrepentant places through conviction of sin and the goodness of Your great love. I welcome You, Holy God, into this place. In Jesus’ Name I pray, Amen.
* Prayers of Praise – Start with Psalm 1 and work your way forward.

**REPENTANCE – Daily Prayer of Repentance:**

**Forgive Us Our Debts:**

We acknowledge before You, Father, Son, and Spirit, that You are holy. You will not inhabit an unclean dwelling. Search our souls, we pray. Shine the light of Your presence into each corner our being, that we may be clean and our whole being become the temple of Your Holy Spirit.

We confess, Lord, our unbelief. We have set our minds above Your mind. We have sought to sit in judgment of Your Truth, to question what in our deep hearts we know to be right. We have chosen to argue rather than obey. Cleanse, Lord, our power of reason, that we may have Your mind and think Your thoughts.

We confess, Lord, our perversion of beauty. We have not admired what is holy, but have allowed our lusts and passions to wrongly define what is beautiful. We have missed the beauty that surrounds us by our preoccupation with ourselves and our temporal circumstances. We have not celebrated You in the beauty of Your creation, natural and human.

We confess, Lord, the sins of our imagination. We acknowledge before You that we have filled our minds and hearts with that which is unholy. We have chosen to listen to music, watched programs, and read books that have filled our imagination with unholy images. We ask You to come and cleanse our imagination of all that is not true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent and praiseworthy.

We confess, Lord, the sins of our intuitive being. We have perverted our capacity to deeply enter into the world of others. We have wrongly used our intuitive capacity to manipulate others, and we have listened and been mastered by the verbal and nonverbal messages of others rather than seeking and obeying Your Voice alone.

We confess, Lord, the control of our appetites over us. We have sought our well-being in comfortable surroundings, in food, in sleep. We have made our bodies a god. Lord, we tear down the idol of our own physical being. Forgive us for living with our senses dulled by misuse.

We confess, Lord, the sin of our twisted desires. We have sought the counterfeit objects of fame among men, earthly wealth, unholy relationships and perverted power, rather than desiring the authentic objects of favor with You, treasure stored in heaven, and relationships transformed by Your love. We cry out for new eyes, Lord, that we might perceive what will last and pursue permanent, substantive and real treasure with our whole being.

We confess, Lord, the sins of our selfish passions. We have been ruled by unholy passions, making choices grounded in fear, pride, envy, greed and anger. We have committed sins against others in our hearts as well as in our actions. We have hurt others and we have sinned against You.

We confess, Lord, the sins of our conscience. We have ignored Your still, small Voice until our conscience no longer speaks. We have run from the pain of repentance and have chosen to make mole hills out of areas that You see as mountains in our lives. We have listened to the Tempter who would distract us by false guilt from confronting the real issues before us. We have declared our dulled conscience to be our final authority, rather than seeking Your righteousness with our whole being.

We confess, Lord, the sins of our will. We have abdicated control of our lives to our uncontrolled appetites, desires and passions [and busyness]. We have passively given in to the will of individuals, groups, and the standards of society. We have not rightly exercised our will in surrender to You and You alone.

Come, Lord Jesus, we pray, and take Your throne in every capacity of our being. We declare that You, and You alone are God. We cannot defeat the mortal enemy that rips our souls apart unless You rescue us from his grasp. Lead us, Holy Spirit, in the confession of sin that leads to repentance. Conquer the foes within and without that would rebel against Your proper authority in our lives. Reign in every capacity of our soul, that the united kingdom of our whole being might freely serve You in unity, constancy, and peace. Unite our heart to fear Your Name. We ask these things in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Forgiving Our Debtors:**

**Those we need to forgive on a one-time or on-going basis:**

**ASK – Sunday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Sunday –**

**2nd Sunday –**

**3rd Sunday –**

**4th Sunday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“`Behold, I Myself have created the smith who blows the fire of the coals, and brings out a weapon for its work; and I have created the destroyer to ruin. No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the Lord, and their vindication is from Me,’ declares the Lord.” Isaiah 54:16-17

**ASK – Monday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Monday –**

**2nd Monday –**

**3rd Monday –**

**4th Monday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“Finally,be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints” Ephesians 6:10-18

**ASK – Tuesday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Tuesday –**

**2nd Tuesday –**

**3rd Tuesday –**

**4th Tuesday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread onthe lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.” Psalm 91:11-13

**ASK – Wednesday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Wednesday –**

**2nd Wednesday –**

**3rd Wednesday –**

**4th Wednesday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“Because he has loved Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him securely on high, because he has known My Name. He will call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him, and honor him. With a long life, I will satisfy him, and let him behold My salvation.” Psalm 91:14-16

**ASK – Thursday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Thursday –**

**2nd Thursday –**

**3rd Thursday –**

**4th Thursday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, `For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.’ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8:35-39

**ASK – Friday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Friday –**

**2nd Friday –**

**3rd Friday –**

**4th Friday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.” Ephesians 3:14-19

**ASK – Saturday Prayers of Petition:**

**PRAYERS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**1st Saturday –**

**2nd Saturday –**

**3rd Saturday –**

**4th Saturday –**

**Marriage –**

**Children –**

**Warfare Prayer:**

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:4-7

**YIELD – Daily Prayer of Surrender:**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I come to You today and bring all that I am and surrender it to all that You are. I place my time, my tongue, my heart, my responses and my reactions, my finances, my talents and gifts, my husband and children, my parents, my friends, my longings, hopes, and dreams for the present and the future, and the plans for this day, at the foot of the cross, at the trustworthy feet of Jesus. I declare that You have rule, right, and reign over every thing in my life because You are God, and I am not. Take all that I am and fill it with all that You are. Fill and seal me with Your Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Another Prayer of Surrender I Have Prayed for Many Years Taken from the Journal of Betty Scott Stam, An American Missionary to China Martyred in 1934:**

 “Lord, I give up all my own plans and purposes, all my own desires and hopes, and accept Thy will for my life. I give myself, my life, my all utterly to Thee to be Thine forever. Fill me and seal me with Thy Holy Spirit. Use me as Thou wilt, work out Thy whole will in my life at any cost, now and forever.”

**Daily Statement of Blessing:**

Lord, I bless who I am; I bless who You made me to be as… (fill in the blanks here with adjectives from who God has made you to be). Thisis the essence of my soul. This is the skin that You gave me, the heart that leads me. If others do not like it or understand it, that is ok. *You do.* You have made me and You have blessed me. Release me to be comfortable and confident with who I am; release me from caring or worrying about what I am not. I love you, my Father, my Blesser, my Maker, my Redeemer, my Filler, my Friend.

My failures are covered by You, Lord. My job is not to worry or fret or beat myself up or figure the future out. Your job is to work out the plans that You have for me. Mine is to simply rest, rest in the unfailing love of a good God. Lord, let me rest in Your love today; let me hear a Voice behind me saying, “Well done good and faithful servant; this is the way, walk in it. No good thing do I withhold from those whose walk is blameless.” In the Mighty Name of Jesus I Pray, Amen.