

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) Prayer Guide April 18-24, 2021

“The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective” (James 5: 16, *NIV*)

God is Omnipotent—All Powerful.

God is able and powerful to do anything that He wills without any effort on his part.

Sunday, April 18

Read Philippians 3:10-11. We become one with Christ when we trust in him through his loving sacrifice on the cross, allowing us to experience the power that raised him from the dead. What does that mighty power do for us? It helps us to live morally renewed and regenerated lives...but only after we have died to our sins. Pray that the PNC would recognize any sin on our parts that has crept into the search process and that we would recognize it and ask forgiveness.

Monday, April 19

Read Ephesians 3:20. We serve a strong and mighty God! Scripture often describes God as “Almighty” (2 Corinthians 6:18), meaning One who possesses all power and authority. Our God is the God of the impossible...nothing is too difficult for him. Praise God for his mighty power at work in and through us as we continue to work to identify the next pastor who He has already chosen for MPC.

Tuesday, April 20

Read Job 36:22-24. Just as Job in all his sufferings was reminded that God is all-powerful, we too must believe that explicit truth when our circumstances are different than what we'd like. We won't always understand how or why God chooses to display his power, and that's okay. We are called to trust him and as this passage says, “glorify his mighty works, singing songs of praise.” Pray that we would whole-heartedly trust him and give him glory every step of the way.

Wednesday, April 21

Read Luke 1:35-37. Through his mighty and perfect power, our Lord can make the impossible possible. He creates life where there is none and performs amazing miracles—not only in the pages of Scripture but even in our present day! Praise the Lord for his awesome and mighty power!

Thursday, April 22

Read John 1:1-5. The Word of God is powerful in its authority, ability to transform, and speak to us personally. Jesus is the Word—fully God and fully man—who incarnates the Good News of the Gospel. God established a powerful way for us to experience atonement through the sacrificial death and glorious resurrection of his son, Jesus, to be reconciled to him and enjoy eternal life in his presence. Pray this truth would serve as a powerful reminder that God always and forever has a plan (He's got this!), we just need to be patient and wait on him.

Friday, April 23

Read Ephesians 1:19-23. Having been raised from the dead, Christ is now the head of the church and reigns as ultimate authority over the world, seated at the right hand of God, his Father. We can be confident that God has won the final victory and is in control of everything, including the search for our next pastor. Let's give thanks for his victory over sin and darkness and death that we can experience forgiveness, his light and eternal life!

Saturday, April 24

Read Psalm 147:5. Sometimes we don't understand ourselves—what we want, how we feel, what we should do about it. But God's understanding has no limit, and therefore He understands us fully. Please pray with the members of the PNC that we would lean into the truth that God fully understands our desire for a senior pastor who will shepherd our congregation into loving people, knowing Jesus and living transformed.