

# *Praying Toward Pentecost*

## **Prayer Guide**

**April 18 - June 5, 2022**

### **KINGDOM PRAYING**

**Revival**

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**Repentance**

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**Humility**

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**Lostness**

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**Unity**

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**Obedience**

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**Thanksgiving**

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**Holiness**

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*Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as  
it is in heaven. (Matthew 6:10-11)*

## A Word about Pentecost by Claude V. King\*

Pentecost was the second of three annual feasts in the Hebrew calendar when all men were to come to Jerusalem for a sacred assembly. The three feasts were Passover, Shavuoth (Pentecost), and Sukkoth (Feast of Tabernacles or Booths). Titles used for this feast include: Pentecost (Greek for 50), Shavuoth (Hebrew for weeks), Feast of Weeks, Feast of the Harvest of first fruits, Day of First Fruits.

Each of these three main feasts has significance in God's plan for world redemption. Passover was fulfilled in the sacrificial death of Jesus on the cross as the Lamb of God taking away the sins of the world. Pentecost takes on special meaning as the time when God poured out His Spirit on the church in Jerusalem and 3,000 believed in Jesus Christ and became the first fruits of the church. The Feast of Tabernacles found at least partial prophetic fulfillment when God became flesh and dwelt (tabernacled) among us.

Pentecost was scheduled to occur 50 days following Passover. The wheat harvest began in the spring of the year, so this feast centered on a time of thanksgiving for the first fruits of the harvest. In Jewish history, this feast was also associated with the giving of the Law to Israel at Mt. Sinai.

Through Jeremiah, God said: “‘This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days’—the Lord’s declaration. ‘I will put My teaching within them and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be My people’” (Jeremiah 33:33, HCSB). God promised to write His law on our hearts so that we may obey it out of love for Him, Our celebration of Pentecost will demonstrate gratitude for God's Word, thanksgiving for God's provision for our needs, and prayers for a spiritual harvest as lost people come to place their trust in Jesus Christ.

Some of the Scriptures related to Pentecost and the Feast of Weeks include: Exodus 23:16, 34:22-24, Leviticus 23:9-22, Numbers 28:26-31, Deuteronomy 16:10-12, 16-17, Acts 1:3-15, 2:1-47.

\*King, C. *Praying Up To Pentecost*. <https://www.scbo.org/sites/default/files/Praying-Up-To-Pentecost.pdf>

## KINGDOM PRAYING: THANKSGIVING

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
May 24	Psalm 95	
May 25	Colossians 3:17; 4:2	
May 26	1 Thessalonians 5:16-18	
May 27	1 Corinthians 15:50-58	
May 28	1 Timothy 1:12-17	
May 29	Psalm 100	

## KINGDOM PRAYING: HOLINESS

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
May 30	Isaiah 6	
May 31	Revelation 4	
June 1	1 Peter 1:13-16	
June 2	Psalm 24	
June 3	Hebrews 12:14-29	
June 4	Romans 12:1-2	

### Pentecost Sunday is June 5, 2022

*Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed to them: “Fellow Jews and all you residents of Jerusalem, let me explain this to you and pay attention to my words... this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: And it will be in the last days, says God, that I will pour out my Spirit on all people; then your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. I will even pour out my Spirit on my servants in those days, both men and women and they will prophesy. I will display wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below: blood and fire and a cloud of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the great and glorious day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Acts 2:14-21*

## KINGDOM PRAYING: LOSTNESS

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
May 6	Matthew 9:35-38	
May 7	John 6:35-40	
May 8	2 Timothy 1:8-12	
May 9	Romans 10:9-17	
May 10	Matthew 28:18-20	
May 11	Revelation 7:9-12	

*You are to count seven complete weeks starting from the day after the Sabbath, the day you brought the sheaf of the presentation offering. You are to count fifty days until the day after the seventh Sabbath and then present an offering of new grain to the LORD...On that same day you are to make a proclamation and hold a sacred assembly. You are not to do any daily work.*

*This is to be a permanent statute wherever you live throughout your generations. Leviticus 23:15-16, 21 (CSB)*

## KINGDOM PRAYING: UNITY

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
May 12	Psalms 133	
May 13	Romans 12:9-21	
May 14	1 Peter 1:22-25	
May 15	John 13:34-35	
May 16	1 John 3:11-24	
May 17	Philippians 2:1-11	

*Then they returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem - a Sabbath Day's journey away. When they arrived, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying. Peter, John, James, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bartholomew, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James. They all were continually united in prayer, along with the women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers...When the day of Pentecost had arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like that of a violent rushing wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were staying. They saw tongues like flames of fire that separated and rested on each of them. Then they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 1:12-14, 2:1-4 (CSB)*

## KINGDOM PRAYING: OBEDIENCE

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
May 18	Joshua 1:6-9; 22:5	
May 19	Psalms 119:33-40	
May 20	John 14:15-17; 23-26	
May 21	1 John 4:7-5:4	
May 22	Philippians 2:12-18	
May 23	Matthew 7:24-27	

*Therefore, you should pray like this: Our Father in heaven, your name be honored as holy. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:9-11 (CSB)*

## *How To Use This Guide*

Thank you for making the commitment to join with fellow brothers and sisters in churches across the South Roanoke Baptist Association (SRBA) in the *Praying Toward Pentecost* initiative. After Jesus ascended to heaven, the disciples remained in Jerusalem. According to Acts 1, they went into an upstairs room and were ‘continually in prayer’ (Acts 1:14). Scripture leads us to believe they remained there, praying in one accord, until the Holy Spirit fell in a miraculous way. This story teaches us that persistent, consistent, unified prayer can move the heart of God. We need such a miracle today as never before for spiritual revival and awakening.

This guide will assist you as you seek God for revival in our churches and spiritual awakening in Eastern NC and beyond. The guide is broken into eight areas of focus. After you read the prescribed passage for each day, take several minutes to meditate on the passage and then spend time praying the Scripture back to the Father. The ACTS model of praying may be helpful for you as you pray through the Scriptures.

- **Adoration:** Look for ways to praise God as you meditate on the passage.
- **Confession:** Confess and repent of any sin that the Holy Spirit may bring to mind as a result of reading the verses of the day.
- **Thanksgiving:** Spend time thanking God for his marvelous works that are described in the daily reading.
- **Supplication:** Pray for believers in your church and the churches of the SRBA to live in a way that is consistent with the passage.

As you pray each week, use the Prayer Notes sections to record what the Holy Spirit is teaching you through the Scripture readings and prayer. You may also want to write a prayer each week in the Prayer Notes sections.

The prayer guide can be utilized during your church’s weekly prayer gatherings by reading and praying through the passage of Scripture that is listed on the dates that you meet over the period of time leading up to Pentecost Sunday.

As you pray through this guide, please know that we are praying for you and your church. We’re praying that you and your church will be renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit and that He will bring spiritual awakening to this dry and thirsty land!

SRBA Prayer Team

### **KINGDOM PRAYING: REVIVAL**

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
April 18	Psalm 85	
April 19	Isaiah 57:14-21	
April 20	Hosea 6:1-3	
April 21	Romans 13:11-14	
April 22	Joel 2:12-32	
April 23	Acts 2:14-21	

### **KINGDOM PRAYING: REPENTANCE**

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
April 24	Psalm 124	
April 25	Nehemiah 1	
April 26	Matthew 3:1-12	
April 27	Hebrews 12:1-12	
April 28	1 John 1:5-2:2	
April 29	Psalm 51	

### **KINGDOM PRAYING: HUMILITY**

Date	Scripture	Prayer Notes
April 30	James 4:1-12	
May 1	1 Peter 5:5-9	
May 2	Zephaniah 2:1-3	
May 3	Proverbs 16:8, 15:33	
May 4	Philippians 2:1-11	
May 5	Micah 6:6-8	