

## INVITATION FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTOR

If you have love for others, a desire to help others, and are concerned about the Kingdom and the Ministries of God, you should want to serve. A saved heart is one that wants to serve.

The Bible says in the b-portion of Eph. 2:10 TEV, "In our union with Christ Jesus he has created us for a life of good deeds, which he has already prepared for us to do." These "good deeds" are our service to the Ministries of God and the world. Whenever we serve others in any way, we are actually serving God and fulfilling one of our purposes.

We are going to give our life for something. What will it be — a career, a sport, a hobby, fame, wealth? None of these will have lasting significance. Service is the pathway to real significance. It is through ministry that we discover the meaning of our lives.

There are no insignificant ministries in the church. Some are visible and some are behind the scenes, but all are valuable. Small or hidden ministries often make the biggest difference. In a home, the most important light is not the large chandelier in your dining room but possibly the little night-light that keeps you from stubbing your toe when you get up at night. There is no correlation between size and significance. Every ministry matters because we are all dependent on each other to function.

I want to personally invite you to become an

active part of one of the many ministries here at the Atherton Baptist Church! Do it today! Don't put it off. Note that you have been saved to serve and blessed to be a blessing!

**May God Reward You For Faithful Service!**

Because He Lives,



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**MINISTRY**

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# Prayer Ministry

## Mission Statement

The Prayer Ministry's primary assignment is to teach our congregation, through systematic demonstration and study, how to pray, who to pray to and why and when we should pray. By doing so, they are led into a more intimate relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We are motivated and compelled by the Word of God as commanded in Philippians 4:6: "Be careful for nothing; but in **everything** by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be known unto God."

## Ministry Goals

Our vision is to develop Atherton members in the area of prayer:

1. To teach people the Biblical principles of prayer.
2. Develop an empathetic sense of need for others through prayer groups and prayer meetings.
3. Have meaningful fellowship with others through prayer groups and prayer meetings.
4. To consistently provide comfort, support and encouragement through God's Word, fellowship prayer and worship.
5. To pray with and for those faced with any illnesses and issues, help them trust in God.

## Ministry Events

- Prayer Meeting Night – Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Room 111
- Prayer on Sunday – Sunday Morning at 7:00 AM in Room 111 (Deacon's and Ministers).
- Intercessory Prayer – As needed and / or requested
- National Week of Prayer

## Ministry Requirements

1. Prayer Meeting is open to members and non-members alike.
2. A desire to develop and build intimacy with God through a consistent prayer life.

## Invitation

In the book of Luke 19:46, Jesus asserts, "It is written, 'And my House shall be called a House of Prayer.'" It is this Biblical injunction that we draw from when we invite our congregants and guest to join us in prayer. Simply put, prayer is communicating with God. Moreover, when we pray, we expect to receive answers to our prayers for James 5:16 says, "The effectual, fervent prayer of the righteous man availeth (can accomplish) much." Therefore, we invite you to join us and experience a wonderful encounter with God through prayer.

## Atherton Mission Statement

Atherton Baptist Church is a church striving to lead **people** to a loving, learning, loyal, and lasting relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

## Atherton Vision Statement

Re-establishing a Standard of Excellence in God's Church through Education, Renovation, Rejuvenation and Evangelization.

## Scriptures on Prayer

- James 15:7
- Matthew 21:22
- Matthew 7:7 – 8
- John 16:23 – 24
- Psalm 17:6
- James 1:5
- Romans 8:26
- Matthew 5:44 – 45
- Ephesians 6:18
- Isaiah 30:19
- I John 5: 14 – 15
- Jeremiah 29:12
- James 5:16
- Luke 11:9
- John 14:13 – 14
- Matthew 6:6
- Psalm 91:15
- Psalm 34:17
- Psalm 145:18 – 19
- Psalm 55:17
- Proverbs 15:29
- Matthew 6:9 – 15
- Jeremiah 33:3
- Mark 11:24
- Matthew 7:11
- Psalm 65:2
- Zechariah 13:9