## **For Our Pastor**

Lord, we lift up Pastor Jeremy to You as we start this new year. Give him strength, wisdom, and guidance in ministry. Protect his heart and mind and renew his passion to serve. Bless Carrie, Zeke, Madie, and Abe and provide for all their needs. May this year be full of Your grace and growth in their life and ministry.

# **Embracing the New Year**

### A Fresh Start, Renewed Hope, and Deeper Faith

A new year brings an opportunity for a fresh start. It's a time to reflect, grow, and deepen our relationship with God. This prayer guide is designed to help you focus on renewing your faith, hope, and commitment to God's mission for your life in 2025.

#### Thank God for the gift of a new year:

Thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to begin again. I praise You for Your faithfulness and mercy, which are new every morning.

#### Pray for personal renewal:

Lord, help me leave behind the mistakes and regrets of the past year. Give me a fresh perspective and renewed strength.

#### Seek God's guidance for the year ahead:

Lord, guide my steps this year. Help me to walk through open doors and trust You when others are closed. I want to follow You with my whole heart.

#### Commit to personal growth and transformation:

Lord, I surrender my plans and desires to You. Transform me by renewing my mind with the Word so I may walk in Your will and reflect Your glory.

#### Reflect on God's promises:

Lord, please grow my faith in Your promises during this new year. I know You are with me and will never leave or forsake me.

#### Pray for hope to rise within you:

God, fill my heart with hope, even amid challenges. Help me to trust in Your timing and believe in Your good plans for me.

#### Pray for hope in others:

Lord, I lift up those who are struggling with despair. May Your hope break through their darkness and bring light to their hearts.

#### Trust in God's timing:

Father, I trust that You are working even when I cannot see it. Help me to rest in Your perfect timing and plan for my life.

### Commit to deepening your relationship with God:

Lord, I want to know You more deeply this year. Help me to seek You first in everything and cultivate a closer relationship with You.

#### Pray for a heart that seeks after God:

Father, give me a hunger and thirst for righteousness. I desire to know You better and to grow in faith each day.

#### Strengthen your trust in God:

God, increase my faith. Help me to trust You completely, even when I don't understand. Teach me to rely on Your strength and wisdom.

## From Woodstock to the World

God, open my eyes to opportunities to serve and reach others in my community and around the world with the hope of the gospel. I lift up our mission teams to You. Let Your light shine brightly in dark places, and may Your Kingdom grow in every nation.

# **Missions & Events**

#### **Mission Praojects**

Helene Disaster Relief in Valdosta – January 16-22, 2025 Yuba City – January 22-28, 2025 Middle East – February 9-16, 2025 Puerto Rico - February 15-21, 2025

### Events

Lord, bless the efforts of our church to serve and share Your love from Woodstock to the world. Women's Exercise Class | January 6-March 31, 2025 Financial Peace University | January 8 – March 12, 2025 Find and Follow for Kids | January 12, 2025 Mission Lab | January 12, 2025 Discover Woodstock | January 12, 2025 Student Leadership University | January 16-20, 2025 Parent Dedication | January 19, 2025 ESL Teacher Training Workshop | January 24-25, 2025 Night to Shine | February 7, 2025

# **Fasting Basics**

- Find solitude
- Meditate on Scripture
- Spend concentrated time in prayer
- Worship the Lord
- Take time to journal

### Thank you for praying!