### Abide Prayer Guide:

### **Encourage One Another**

Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth! (Psalm 46:10)

Let's begin ABIDE by taking a moment to quiet our hearts and minds – to be still before God.

You may want to pray a "breath prayer" as you inhale and exhale, such as, "God, I trust you."

#### **Opening Prayer**

**Prayer:** Father, we love you and we need you. Holy Spirit, fill us and lead us as we gather to pray and study Scripture. We dedicate this time to you and what you have for us to receive from you as your sons and daughters. Remove any distractions and help us to focus our hearts on you. In Jesus Name, Amen.

#### **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Praise**

This is why, since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, I never stop giving thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. (Ephesians 1:15-16)

God puts people in our lives to share their faith, encourage us, pray for us and show us His love.

Who comes to mind when you think of people who prayed for you or shared the Gospel with you before you received Jesus as your Savior?

Let's thank the Lord and praise Him for the work He did through those people that led you to Him.

**Prayer:** Father, I praise you and thank you for \_\_\_\_\_\_ (fill in the blank with people who come to mind that prayed for you or shared the Gospel with you). Thank you for working in their hearts and lives in a way that forever changed my life. In Jesus Name.

#### **Prayer for My Heart**

# This is why, since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, I never stop giving thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. (Ephesians 1:15)

Who in your life is God currently using to encourage you and strengthen your relationship with Jesus?

Let's thank the Lord for those people who come to mind and ask God to bless them.

Prayer: Father, thank you for\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the way you are using him/her to encourage me and strengthen my relationship with you. Bless \_\_\_\_\_\_ and his/her relationship with you and every area of his/her life. In Jesus Name.



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#### **Prayer for Others Hearts**

## *Therefore encourage one another and build each other up as you are already doing. (1 Thessalonians 5:11)*

The Lord desires to work through us to encourage one another and build one another up so that we experience His encouragement and grow in our relationship with Him.

Let's ask the Spirit to bring to mind people He wants us to encourage, build up and pray for this week.

**Prayer:** Father, thank you for\_\_\_\_\_\_. Show me how to encourage him/her this week and remind me to pray for him/her throughout this week. In Jesus Name.

**Note:** You may want to send a text, email or note to the person/persons to encourage them and let them know you are praying for them.

#### **Closing Prayer**

Father, thank you for the way you encourage us, build us up and strengthen us. Thank you for the gift of community. Thank you for being with us. You are blessing us by working in our hearts and through our hearts to encourage one another and strengthen our relationship with you and with one another. Thank you for the way you are pursuing our hearts in community. In Jesus Name, Amen.

