

Way of Love Revival - Prayer Team Guide

A Revival Prayer Team is made up of a small group of people dedicated to meet regularly and to pray with a focus for the Revival, the leaders, those inviting and those being invited, and everything that touches the life of this movement.

Core Values of the Revival Prayer Team

1. Commitment to God's call to intentional prayer for the Revival, the Jesus Movement, and for the spread of the good news.
2. Foundation prayer to begin all sessions is to invite the Holy Spirit. We recommend the one your diocese has provided.
3. Under spiritual authority of the clergy, with humility in the group. (Let the priest know you are meeting, get his/her permission, ask for prayer requests)
4. Location – at the church or in a community space such as a park or library meeting room.
5. Time – weekly (if possible).
6. Facilitator-group members rotate leading weekly prayer time.
7. Arrive spiritually prepared or prepare together as a group.
8. Spiritual agreement and unity in purpose.
9. Keep confidentiality of those seeking prayer.

Successful Meeting Suggestions

- Observe a quiet time before prayer.
- Be gracious with one another.
- Remain teachable. Provide continuing education about prayer.
- Pray from the Prayer Book, from scripture and as the Holy Spirit leads.
- Begin and stay small. Let the Holy Spirit add to the group's number.
- Set aside a brief time to visit.
- Start prayer promptly.
- Prayer walk in local neighborhoods and market areas. On-site prayer gives insight and invites God to be present and to act.

Facilitator

1. The facilitator is group leader for a day (should not be the same person each time). Leads by:
 - Calling meeting to order
 - Giving praise/thanks to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
 - Offering an opening prayer of welcome to the Holy Spirit
 - Leading the group in preparing for prayer with a psalm/canticle/hymn
 - Leading the group through prayer points.
2. When no new prayers are offered, facilitator closes by leading group in the Lord's Prayer or other prayer of the group's choosing.

Diocese of Fond du Lac Prayer for the Way of Love Revival

Almighty God, Giver of every good gift: Bless the Episcopal Diocese of Fond du Lac and surrounding communities as we plan for the October 26 Way of Love Revival. Equip and empower the teams preparing for the Revival. Give them strength and clarity to do your will. Give each one of us courage to reach out to our neighbors and friends inviting them to the Revival so that all may know the power of your love and forgiveness. Bless Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and other leaders with a Spirit-filled message that will be truly heard. May this Revival be the impetus to relight the fire in our churches and in our hearts so that we may live even more into our Baptismal Covenant. All this we ask in the name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.