

Prayer Suggestions for the Oaks Prayer Week

Enjoy your time praying to our Lord! The following are suggested categories for prayer. These categories are intended to help guide your prayer time. We recommend looking up and reading the Scriptures as part of your prayers. Overall, we are giving thanks to God for our school and the land purchase, as well as praying for the God's blessing on the current and future generations of Oaks families, staff, and leadership.

1. Praise to God

- a. For who He is as God (Exodus 15:11; Deuteronomy 32:4; Psalm 18:30-31)
- b. For our salvation through Jesus Christ (John 3:16, 2 Corinthians 9:15)
- c. For His revelation in the Word, in Jesus Christ, and in the creation (Psalm 119:140; Hebrews 1:1-4; John 1:14, 18; John 17:3)
- d. For his work throughout history in providentially guiding all things (Psalm 90; Isaiah 46:9-10; Jeremiah 29:11)

2. Thanksgiving

- a. For past blessings and growth (Deuteronomy 7:6-8; 1 Samuel 7:12; Philippians 1:3-11)
- b. For commitment in the school community to biblical principles (Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Proverbs 9:10-12)
- c. For the culture of love and forgiveness (Matthew 18:15; Ephesians 4:32)
- d. For an environment where there is love for learning (Psalm 25:4-5; Proverbs 12:1)
- e. For music and cantabile (Psalm 92; Colossians 3:16)

3. Dedication

- a. We dedicate the land you've given us to be used to the glory of your name (1 Kings 8:22-61)
- b. We dedicate the gifts we receive to be used with wisdom (Matthew 25:14-30)
- c. We dedicate ourselves (Romans 12:1-13)

4. Future - going forward

- a. For a continual commitment to your Word in education (Ephesians 6:4; Philippians 2:16; 2 Timothy 3:14-17; Hebrews 10:23-24)
- b. For families to be added to our school community that reflect our vision and culture (Psalm 34)
- c. That we stay true to our purpose, not being distracted/overwhelmed either by facilities, finances or numbers (Zechariah 4:6, 10; Matthew 18:20)

- d. That we learn to trust more, especially when things seem unsure (Proverbs 3:5-6; Matthew 6:25-34)
- e. That we be blessed generationally with continued support and participation from grandparents, parents and graduated students. That former students return as parents and teachers so that the next generation can be blessed as they were (Psalm 78:1-8; Acts 2:39)

5. Construction

- a. Bless us with a facility that serves our vision and classical education
 - i. *The Oaks exists to graduate classically Christian educated men and women equipped to glorify Christ, shape culture and shine the light of His truth in all endeavors of life.*
 - ii. *We seek to create a rigorous and joyful atmosphere where students develop a love for learning and live up to his/her academic potential.*
- b. Bless us with generous friends and family (Exodus 36:1-6; Proverbs 3:9-10; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7)
- c. Bless us with peace and a cooperative spirit throughout the construction; there is always potential for conflict and impatience; help us to bear with situations and people (1 Corinthians 13:4-7; Ephesians 4:1-3; Philippians 2:1-5)
- d. Help us to achieve our goal of having a facility that's ready to use by September 2022 (Psalm 90:16-17; Psalm 127:1-2; Ezra 6:14-17)
- e. Bless us with capable, hard-working men and women in the hands on labor (Ex. 31:1-11; Prov 24:30-34; Neh. 4)

6. Prayers for the school itself

- a. Parents
- b. Administration
- c. Staff
- d. Teachers
- e. Students
- f. Board