

Name of church: _____ Conference dates: _____

Journey Into the Presence of God

Schedule Planning for the conference of prayer

Instructions:

- use the attached sheets to plan your conference schedule
- then fill out pages 1 & 2 of this form
- make copies and disperse to church leaders
- be sure entire staff is in agreement about the schedule
- send a copy of pages 1 & 2 to **Lowell Snow Ministries, P.O. Box 500, Prairie Grove, AR 72753**
- put schedule on church calendar, web site, bulletin, etc.

Service or Session	Day/Time	Location (room)	Available Media

Notes:

Conference event descriptions:

{This information is provided to help you determine schedule and location for events.}

Worship service 1: Talking With God in Private

Duration – 1 hr. 15 min

Media – PowerPoint preferred.

Prayer time - During the music service, I'll lead a 5 to 7 minute prayer time that will bring your congregation into a corporate encounter with God. This will need to be scheduled so that music is before and after the prayer time with no break between. Also, I'll want soft background music playing during the prayer time.

Music – Normal worship service, but accommodate the prayer time as indicated above.

Message - *Talking with God* - 30 to 40 minutes - focuses on the importance of a conversational relationship with Him.

Invitation – Commitment to private devotions and a willingness to let God lead them in life. I will also invite people to come forward for prayer.

Worship service 2: Talking With God in Worship

Duration – 1 hr. 15 minutes

Media – PowerPoint preferred.

Prayer time - I'll lead a 5 to 7 minute prayer time in the middle of the music service. See morning service for details.

Music - Normal worship service, but accommodate the prayer time as indicated above.

Message - *The Forgotten Altar of Prayer* - 30 to 40 minutes - reveals that congregational prayer has always been the goal of worship from God's point of view. **PowerPoint is critical** to this message.

Invitation - Commitment to bringing prayer to the heart of church life. I will encourage them to support changes by the staff. Once again I'll encourage folks to come forward for prayer.

Staff and leadership meeting: Building the House of Prayer

Duration - 1 hour

Media – PowerPoint preferred. (I prefer to operate it myself if possible.)

Schedule - This is often a mid-afternoon meeting with the staff and/or lay leadership. I feel that this meeting is a critical element if lasting change is to be implemented. It opens with a visual presentation of our failure to treasure prayer at the heart of church life, presents the Biblical mandate for the New Testament House of Prayer, and concludes with discussion about your particular situation.

Music - none

Message - *The House of Prayer* – How the Cross converts the limitations of the Old Testament temple into the limitless potential of the New Testament house of prayer.

Session 1 – Great Commission of Prayer: Talking With God in Difficulty

Duration – 1 hour

Media – PowerPoint preferred.

Content - This teaching session focuses on praying about the most difficult problems of life. It includes my testimony of betrayal, agnosticism, and God's power to redeem through the faithful prayers of loved ones and friends. This is always the most powerful session for some.

Music - none

Message - *The Great Commission of Prayer* – from Matthew 18:18-20 - teaches the power of having a prayer partner as you faith your way through the most difficult struggles of life.

Session 2 – Prayer Basics: Prayer Foundations & Praying in Public

Duration – 1 hour

Media – PowerPoint preferred.

Music - none if this is used as a break-out session. If it's the main evening session; begin with two songs.

Content - I teach a lesson on the basics of prayer and praying in public that is helpful to all Christians. It opens with the fundamental concepts of faith and humility, then offers a Biblical progression of prayer that we as New Testament priests can use in any situation from the opening prayer of a Sunday School class to the opening session of Congress.

Session 3 – Prayer Guide Techniques: Talking With God in Groups

Duration – 1 hour 15 min

Media – PowerPoint preferred.

Music – none if this is used as a break-out session. If it's the main evening session; begin with two songs.

Content - This teaching session covers the four Prayer Guide techniques from my book, *Prayer Guide – A Manual for Leading Prayer*. It is directed toward folks who lead group prayer, but is also beneficial to those who never expect to lead because it gives them an understanding of what group prayer is supposed to be and how they can participate.

Workshop of Group Prayer (included with session 3 when time permits)

Duration – 20 to 35 min.

Media – none

Music - none

Content - This session is a workshop of small group prayer in which I divide the congregation into small groups and guide them through the techniques taught in session 3. There is no pressure on anyone to pray publicly, but it's in this session that I've had adults tell me that they prayed out loud for the first time in their life.

Session 4: Congregational Call to Prayer (concluding session of the conference.)

Duration – 1 hr. 15 minutes

Media – PowerPoint preferred. (I prefer to operate it myself if possible.)

Music – begin with two songs.

Prayer time – The whole service is a prayer meeting in which all the techniques taught in the sessions are used to bring the congregation into an hour long encounter with God.

Conference Schedules

The following schedules are provided to help you plan your conference of prayer. If they don't fit your situation, feel free to rearrange as needed.

Sunday/Monday:

Sunday:

a.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”.
5:00 p.m.	Session	“Prayer Basics”
6:15 p.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques” and “Workshop of Group Prayer”

Monday:

6:00 a.m.	Session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
noon		repeat of the 6:00 a.m. session
1:30 p.m.	Staff meeting	“Building the House of Prayer”
7:00 p.m. service:	Sermon,	“The Forgotten Altar”

Notes:

Sunday/Monday (alternate):

Sunday:

Bible study hour	Session	“Prayer Basics”
a.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”.
5:00 p.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”
6:00 p.m.	Fellowship meal	
p.m. service	Session	“The Forgotten Altar”

Monday:

6:00 a.m.	Session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
noon		repeat of the 6:00 a.m. session
1:30 p.m.	Staff meeting	“Building the House of Prayer”
7:00 p.m. service:	Sermon,	“Congregational Call to Prayer”

Notes:

Sunday/Monday/Tuesday:

Sunday:

a.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”.
5:00 p.m.	Session	“Prayer Basics”
p.m. service	Sermon	“The Forgotten Altar”

Monday:

6:00 a.m.	Session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
noon		same as the 6:00 a.m. session
1:30 p.m.	Staff meeting	“Building the House of Prayer”
7:00 p.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”

Tuesday:

7:00 p.m. service	Session	“Congregational Call to Prayer”
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Notes:

Sunday/Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday:

Sunday:

a.m. service: Sermon "Talking with God".

5:00 p.m. Session "Prayer Basics"

p.m. service: Session "The Forgotten Altar"

Monday:

7:00 p.m. Session "The Prayer Guide Techniques" and "Workshop of Group Prayer"

Tuesday:

11:00 a.m. Staff meeting "Building the House of Prayer"

7:00 p.m. service: Sermon, "Prayer in Difficulty"

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Session "Congregational Call to Prayer"

Notes:

Sunday/Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday - alternate:

Sunday:

a.m. service: Sermon "Talking with God".

p.m. service: Sermon "The Forgotten Altar"

Monday:

6:00 a.m. Bonus session, "Prayer in Difficulty"

12:00 noon Bonus session, repeat "Prayer in Difficulty"

1:30 p.m. Staff meeting "Building the House of Prayer"

7:00 p.m. Session "Prayer Basics"

8:00 p.m. Bonus session repeat "Prayer in Difficulty"

Tuesday:

7:00 p.m. Session "The Prayer Guide Techniques"

8:00 p.m. Bonus session "Workshop of Group Prayer"

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Session "Congregational Call to Prayer"

Notes:

Friday/Saturday a.m./Sunday:

Friday:

7:00 p.m. Sermon “The Forgotten Altar”

Saturday:

9:00 a.m. Session “Prayer Basics”

10:00 a.m. Session “The Prayer Guide Techniques”

11:00 a.m. Session “Workshop of small group prayer”.

Noon lunch

1:00 p.m. Session “Building the House of Prayer”

Sunday:

a.m. service: Sermon “Talking with God”.

5:00 p.m. Session “Prayer in Difficulty”

p.m. service: “Congregational Call to Prayer”

Notes:

Friday/Saturday p.m./Sunday:

Friday:

7:00 p.m. Sermon “The Forgotten Altar”

Saturday:

6:00 p.m. Session “Prayer Basics”

7:00 p.m. – Meal followed by Session “The Prayer Guide Techniques”

Sunday:

a.m. service: Sermon “Talking with God”.

1:00 p.m. Staff meeting “Building the House of Prayer”

5:00 p.m. Session “Prayer in Difficulty”

p.m. service: “Congregational Call to Prayer”

Notes:

Saturday p.m./Sunday:

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.	Session	Staff & Church leadership: “Building the House of Prayer”
6:15 p.m.	Supper	
7:00 p.m. service	Sermon	“The Forgotten Altar”
8:30 p.m.	Bonus session	“Prayer in Difficulty”

Sunday:

Bible Study hour	Session	“Prayer Basics”
a.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”.
5:00 p.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”
p.m. service:	Sermon,	“Congregational Call to Prayer”

Notes:

Saturday a.m./Sunday:

Saturday:

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	
8:45 a.m.	Session	“Prayer Basics”
10:00 a.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”
11:00 a.m.	Session	“The Forgotten Altar”

Sunday:

Bible Study hour

a.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”.
12:30 p.m.	Lunch session	Staff & Church leadership: “Building the House of Prayer”
5:00 p.m.	Session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
p.m. service:	Sermon,	“Congregational Call to Prayer”

Notes:

Multi-church: Sunday p.m./Monday/Tuesday

Sunday:

3:00 p.m.	Bonus session	“Building the House of Prayer”
4:00 p.m.	Bonus session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
5:00 p.m.	Session	“Prayer Basics”
6:00 p.m.	Supper	
7:00 p.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”

Monday:

10:30 a.m.	Bonus session	“Building the House of Prayer”
7:00 p.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”
8:15 p.m.	Bonus session	“Prayer in Difficulty”

Tuesday:

7:00 p.m. service:	Sermon	“The Forgotten Altar”
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Notes:

Multi-church: Saturday a.m./Sunday p.m.

Saturday:

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	
8:45 a.m.	Session	“Prayer Basics”
10:00 a.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”
11:00 a.m.	Session	“Talking with God”
12:00 p.m.	Lunch session	“Building the House of Prayer”

Sunday:

5:00 p.m.	Session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
6:00 p.m. service:	Sermon	“The Forgotten Altar”
7:15 p.m.		“Congregational Call to Prayer”

Notes:

Retreat: Friday/Saturday

Friday:

5:30 p.m.	Bonus session	“Building the House of Prayer”
6:30 p.m.	Supper	
7:15 p.m.	Session	“Prayer Basics”
8:30 p.m. service:	Sermon	“Talking with God”.
10:00 p.m.	Bonus session	“Prayer in Difficulty”

Saturday:

6:30 a.m.	Bonus session	“Prayer in Difficulty”
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	
8:45 a.m. service:	Sermon,	“The Forgotten Altar”
10:15 a.m.	Session	“The Prayer Guide Techniques”
11:15 a.m.	Prayer time	“Congregational Call to Prayer”
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 p.m.	Bonus session	“Building the House of Prayer”

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