



The Heights Baptist Church Member Care Newsletter

SUMMER 2022

Spring Recap

Prayer & Praise Service

Welcome to Summer 2022. Summer is a time when we have a lot of celebrations. We experience graduations, weddings, and celebrate our families by going on vacations. I pray that you have many reasons to celebrate. I pray that you are surrounded by people who are celebrating God's goodness in your life.

Let me give you a recap of our last quarterly prayer service in April. We had around 325 people at church to pray, worship, and cry out to the Lord. We prayed for personal needs, our nation, Ukraine, and the events surrounding the Easter weekend.

We also started the series; "Why Prayers are Not Answered". We looked at some lessons from the life of Daniel. We learned Daniel got answers to his prayers because he was a man who pursued **holiness**. He was **single-minded** about serving God wherever he found himself. He was also a man with a **fasting** lifestyle.

I pray that we are a people pursuing holiness, single-minded about serving God and growing in prayer by developing a fasting lifestyle.

The Power of Arriving Early

A few years back, I decided to switch careers. I knew the decision entailed going back to school. I started praying because I had not been in school in fifteen years. This was the insight I gained in prayer. "When you start classes, arrive early and leave late." What did that mean? Getting to school early allowed me to learn things that were not part of the curriculum. As I applied this new idea to my education, I found profound and timely information about the courses and industry in which I was pursuing a career.

I still try to apply this principle to other areas of my life especially when it relates to church. Arriving early has allowed me to have conversations with many brothers and sisters in Life Group or the sanctuary. Those conversations have connected me to people I probably would have not connected with. We learned things about each other that we would have not known. These conversations encourage and lift my spirit because God is doing wonderful things individually and corporately at The Heights. I encourage you to arrive fifteen minutes early. Use the time to intentionally connect with people. You will be surprised at the outcome. Remember, The Heights is a place where friends become family.

Connect with us:

- Email me (David) for prayer [here](#)
- Come to our Prayer & Praise service on Wednesday, August 24, at 6:30pm
- [Email](#) me to join our "Connecting Through Prayer" Community Group, Tuesdays at 6:30pm
- Have you been to Starting Point? Class dates available [here](#)



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