

40 Days of Prayer, Meditation, Fasting, and Scripture

January 10 – February 18

As we start a new year, MTCS invites you to join us in a 40 day period of Prayer, Meditation, Fasting, and Scripture. During this time, we'll seek Guidance & Growth, as individuals, and as a school. We offer this invitation, firmly believing that God will draw us near and provide a blessing of spiritual breakthrough.

For 40 days, we invite Everyone in the MTCS Community to join us in Prayer for the following...

- *We will find Spiritual Community and actively connect with other believers at School and Church.
- *We will grow in wisdom to understand the relevance of God and connect the dots between Life & Faith.
- *We will experience renewal & growth in authentic relationship with Jesus.
- *We will discover the value of prayer and scripture in becoming true Disciples of Jesus.
- *We will see God's Presence in all things & grow more like Him in Spirit, Mind & Body.

This invitation is for Faculty, Staff, Parents, Students, and anyone else connected with our school. You can join us by participating from home, at any of our weekday Morning Prayer Sessions, or anywhere else you feel so led.

If you are willing to join us in this 40 Day Journey to Draw Near & better know God, please respond with *I'm In* to <u>toddmiller@mtcscougars.org</u> Feel free to make special prayer requests—we'll be honored to pray for you in confidence.

Draw Near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8

Opportunities to Draw Near

Morning Prayer Sessions. January 10-February 18, M-F, 6:30-7:30am, Library.

Each day school is in session, we'll be Praying in the Library. You have a special invitation to join us on your specific day (see schedule below), or as often as you can—at whatever time you can—and stay as long as you can. You are welcome to pick up a *Five Stones Prayer Guide* in any School Office, or at one of our Morning Sessions. Also, if you have a personal prayer request, we'll be honored to pray for you, and do so in a private way. Contact toddmiller@mtcscougars.org

Daily Scripture Reading. We're encouraging everyone to commit to reading scripture in your personal time every day during this period. You are welcome to select passages on your own. However, we will offer 2 different 40 Day reading Plans that will be available in each school office, 40 Days in the Psalms & 40 Days With Jesus (Gospels). We'll also post daily readings at school, on the Official MTCS Facebook Page, and on Instagram at *mtcs_spiritual_life*

Prayer Walks. We'll offer guided 20 minute Student Prayer Walks on certain days. More info to come.

Fasting. On fasting days, participants abstain from 1 meal during the day, and will use that time to connect with God in some way. Fasting Days are **January 19--January 29--February 8-- February 17.** You can also fast more often and abstain from other things such as Social Media, Particular Foods, or various forms of Entertainment. Consult a physician for health concerns.

Just Pray. If you are unable to attend, please make a commitment to join us in prayer daily, wherever it is convenient.

Morning Prayer Sessions

Each Day, we'll Pray for Personal Breakthrough, Specific Groups, & the Following Themes.

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*We will experience renewal & growth in authentic relationship with Jesus.

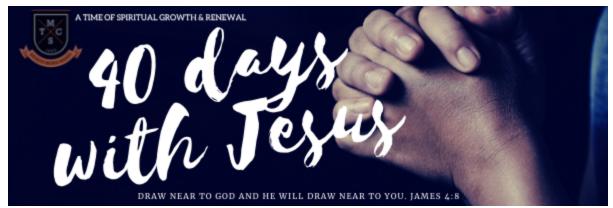
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While **Everyone is Invited** to attend as many sessions as possible, please make an extra effort to attend on dates applicable to your specific area. **We'll pray for your Group & ask you to pray for others**.

Date	Area/Group	Date	Area/Group
January 10	Board of Trustees	February 7	Community Partners
January 11	Administration	February 8	Academic Leaders / Dept. Chairs
January 12	Spiritual Life Team	February 9	Student Counsel & Sponsors
January 13	Advancement, Events, Technology, Admissions,	February 10	Student Spiritual Leaders
January 14	Staff – Business, Cafeteria, Facilities, Secondary, El	February 11	Substitute Teachers & Volunteers
January 17	MLK Holiday	February 14	1 st Responders
January 18	High School Faculty	February 15	Healthcare Professionals
January 19	Coaches & Athletes	February 16	Military & Veterans
January 20	Secondary Parents & Families	February 17	Grandparents / Misc Supporters
January 21	Elementary Parents & Families	February 18	Spiritual Life Team
January 24	ELC Parents & Families		
January 25	ELC Teachers & Staff		
January 26	Elementary Faculty		
January 27	Middle School Faculty		
January 28	Alumni & Former Faculty / Staff		
January 31	Bible Teachers		
February 1	Extra-Curricular Clubs/Band		
February 2	Mission Teams / Trip Leaders / Members		
February 3	Service Team Leaders & Members		
February 4	Area Ministers		

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40 Days with Jesus: Week One January 10 – January 16

Monday, January 10th	Matthew 1–2
Tuesday, January 11th	Matthew 3–4
Wednesday, January 12th	Matthew 5–7
Thursday, January 13th	Matthew 8–9
Friday, January 14th	Matthew 10–12
Saturday, January 15th	Matthew 13–14
Sunday, January 16th	Matthew 15–16

40 Days with Jesus: Week Two

January 17 – January 23

Monday, January 17th	Matthew 17–18
Tuesday, January 18th	Matthew 19–21
Wednesday, January 19th	Matthew 22–23
Thursday, January 20th	Matthew 24–25
Friday, January 21st	Matthew 26–28
Saturday, January 22nd	Mark 1–3
Sunday, January 23rd	Mark 4–5

40 Days with Jesus: Week Three

January 24 – January 30

Monday, January 24th	Mark 6–7
Tuesday, January 25th	Mark 8–10
Wednesday, January 26th	Mark 11–13
Thursday, January 27th	Mark 14–16
Friday, January 28th	Luke 1–2
Saturday, January 29th	Luke 3–4
Sunday, January 30th	Luke 5–6

40 Days with Jesus: Week Four January 31 – February 6

Monday, January 31st	Luke 7–8
Tuesday, February 1st	Luke 9–10
Wednesday, February 2nd	Luke 11–12
Thursday, February 3rd	Luke 13–14
Friday, February 4th	Luke 15
Saturday, February 5th	Luke 16–17
Sunday, February 6th	Luke 18–19

40 Days with Jesus: Week Five

February 7 – February 13		
Monday, February 7th	Luke 20–21	
Tuesday, February 8th	Luke 22–24	
Wednesday, February 9th	John 1–2	
Thursday, February 10th	John 3–5	
Friday, February 11th	John 4–6	
Saturday, February 12th	John 7–8	

Sunday, February 13th	John 9–11	

40 Days with Jesus: Week Six

February 14 – February 18

Monday, February 14th	John 12–14
Tuesday, February 15th	John 15–16
Wednesday, February 16th	John 17
Thursday, February 17th	John 18–19
Friday, February 18th	John 20–21



40 Days in the Psalms: Week One *January 10 – January 16*

Monday, January 10th	Psalms 1–4
Tuesday, January 11th	Psalms 5–8
Wednesday, January 12th	Psalms 9–12
Thursday, January 13th	Psalms 13–17
Friday, January 14th	Psalm 18

Saturday, January 15th	Psalm 19–21
Sunday, January 16th	Psalm 22–24

40 Days in the Psalms: Week Two

January 17 – January 23

Monday, January 17th	Psalms 25–27
Tuesday, January 18th	Psalms 28–30
Wednesday, January 19th	Psalms 31–33
Thursday, January 20th	Psalms 34–36
Friday, January 21st	Psalm 37–38
Saturday, January 22nd	Psalm 39–41
Sunday, January 23rd	Psalm 42–44

40 Days in the Psalms: Week Three

January 24 – January 30

Monday, January 24th	Psalms 45–49
Tuesday, January 25th	Psalms 50–52
Wednesday, January 26th	Psalms 53–57
Thursday, January 27th	Psalms 58–61
Friday, January 28th	Psalm 62–65
Saturday, January 29th	Psalm 66–68
Sunday, January 30th	Psalm 69–72

40 Days in the Psalms: Week Four

January 31 – February 6

Monday, January 31st	Psalms 73–76
Tuesday, February 1st	Psalms 77–78
Wednesday, February 2nd	Psalms 79–83

Thursday, February 3rd	Psalms 84–87
Friday, February 4th	Psalm 88–89
Saturday, February 5th	Psalm 90–93
Sunday, February 6th	Psalm 94–98

40 Days in the Psalms: Week Five

February 7 – February 13Monday, February 7thPsalms 99–102Tuesday, February 8thPsalms 103–104Wednesday, February 9thPsalms 105–106Thursday, February 10thPsalms 107–108Friday, February 11thPsalm 109–115Saturday, February 12thPsalm 116–118Sunday, February 13thPsalm 119

40 Days in the Psalms: Week Six

February 14 – February 18

Monday, February 14th	Psalms 120–129
Tuesday, February 15th	Psalms 130–137
Wednesday, February 16th	Psalms 138–142
Thursday, February 17th	Psalms 143–146
Friday, February 18th	Psalm 147–150