

BRIDGEWAY CHURCH / NOVEMBER 1–30, 2026

30 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE FUTURE

“Lord, here’s what we have. Here’s who we are. Help us to be FAITHFUL with it.”

Helping Each Other Follow Jesus as We Build Gospel Bridges to Starkville and Beyond.

Different stories. Same Savior.

AN INVITATION TO PRAY

In 2 Kings 4:1–7, God met a widow’s desperate need through an unexpected provision. Her empty vessels remind us that availability and obedience matter more than appearances. For thirty days, we will bring our needs, hopes, neighbors, and plans before the Lord—not to guarantee an outcome, but to trust His wisdom and participate faithfully in His mission.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

READ Open the listed Scripture. Read it slowly before reading the reflection.

PRAY Use both prompts; name specific people, neighborhoods, or ministries where you can.

RESPOND Ask what faithfulness looks like today. Pray, participate, and provide as the Lord leads.

Our shared vision:

A FAMILY OF CHURCHES • A CHURCH THAT MEETS NEEDS • A CHURCH THAT SENDS

DAYS 1–6 / OPEN HANDS

Faith for What Lies Ahead

We begin where the widow began: in need of God, willing to trust Him, ready to place what we have in His hands.

DAY 01 / NOVEMBER 1 The God Who Sees Our Need

READ 2 Kings 4:1–7

The widow came to Elisha with a genuine crisis. God's provision in this passage begins with His care for a family in distress. Before we talk about what Bridgeway might accomplish, we begin by remembering the people God calls us to love.

PRAY

Name families in our church or city who are carrying grief, debt, uncertainty, or fear; ask God to provide help and hope. Ask the Lord to keep our vision centered on people, not buildings, budgets, or recognition.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Father, open our eyes to real needs, and make us faithful instruments of Your care.

DAY 02 / NOVEMBER 2 Faith When the Road Is Hard

READ John 16:33

Jesus never promised a trouble-free road. He gave His disciples the assurance of His presence and His victory. Our future will include challenges; our confidence rests in Christ rather than easy circumstances.

PRAY

Pray for people at Bridgeway who are struggling with illness, loss, family pressure, or discouragement. Ask for perseverance and peace when ministry is difficult or progress seems slow.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, teach us to take heart in You and to remain faithful through every season.

DAY 03 / NOVEMBER 3 What Is in Your Hand?

READ Exodus 4:1–5

God asked Moses to consider the ordinary staff he already carried. We often notice what we lack before recognizing what He has entrusted to us. Faithful service can begin with a simple willingness to offer what is available.

PRAY

Ask God to show you a skill, relationship, opportunity, or resource you could use to serve others. Pray that Bridgeway will recognize and steward the people and gifts already present in our church.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, help us see what You have placed in our hands and offer it back to You.

DAY 04 / NOVEMBER 4 Strength in Our Weakness**READ 2 Corinthians 12:9–10**

Paul learned that Christ's grace is sufficient and His power is made perfect in weakness. We do not need to pretend that we have every answer or every resource. God invites honest dependence, not self-sufficiency.

PRAY

Confess any fear that our church is too small or our abilities are too limited to serve faithfully. Ask Christ to form humility, courage, and confidence in His grace among our leaders and members.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, let Your strength be seen through ordinary people who depend on You.

DAY 05 / NOVEMBER 5 Make Room for Obedience**READ 2 Kings 4:3–6**

The widow gathered empty vessels and then began to pour. Her preparation did not create God's power; it was a response to His instruction. We pray for wisdom to take the next obedient step, even when the full outcome is unknown.

PRAY

Ask God for clarity about the steps of preparation Bridgeway should take in the months ahead. Pray that we will neither rush ahead presumptuously nor stay still because we are afraid.

TODAY'S PRAYER

God, make us ready and obedient, leaving the results in Your hands.

DAY 06 / NOVEMBER 6 Provision That Serves a Future**READ 2 Kings 4:7**

The oil provided a way to address the widow's debt and sustain her family beyond that crisis. God cares about both today's needs and tomorrow's possibilities. We want what He provides to become a blessing to people beyond ourselves.

PRAY

Thank God for the ways He has sustained Bridgeway through our first four years. Ask for wise stewardship so present resources can support lasting ministry and future disciples.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, may what You entrust to us become a blessing that outlasts us.

DAYS 7–12 / GOSPEL BRIDGES

A Family of Churches

We pray to become one family from many backgrounds, making disciples and cultivating communities where Jesus is known.

DAY 07 / NOVEMBER 7 One Family, One Savior

READ Ephesians 2:13–22

Through Jesus, people once far apart are brought near and made members of God’s household. Bridgeway’s unity is not built on matching backgrounds or experiences, but on one Savior. That same gospel must shape every church we hope to plant.

PRAY

Pray for genuine friendships across ages, races, cultures, and life stories in our congregation. Ask that any future church plants embody the same gospel-centered unity.

TODAY’S PRAYER

Jesus, make us one family from many backgrounds, rooted in Your grace.

DAY 08 / NOVEMBER 8 Known by Our Love

READ John 13:34–35

Jesus said the love of His disciples would make their identity recognizable. A healthy church is more than a gathering or a name; it is a community where people are loved in practical ways.

PRAY

Ask God to make our small groups, ministry teams, and Sunday gatherings places of genuine belonging. Pray for healing where relationships are strained and for hospitality toward newcomers.

TODAY’S PRAYER

Lord, let our love for one another point people clearly to Jesus.

DAY 09 / NOVEMBER 9 See the Harvest

READ Matthew 9:35–38

Jesus looked at the crowds with compassion and told His disciples to pray for workers. Gospel vision begins by seeing people as Jesus sees them. We pray for the neighborhoods, schools, and communities around Starkville.

PRAY

Ask God to give us compassionate eyes for people who are spiritually weary or without direction. Pray for workers who will share the gospel in neighborhoods, campuses, and nearby towns.

TODAY’S PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, send laborers—and make us willing to be sent.

DAY 10 / NOVEMBER 10 Build Gospel Bridges**READ 2 Corinthians 5:17–20**

God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and entrusted the message of reconciliation to His people. Our mission is not merely to make Bridgeway more visible. It is to help others encounter the Savior who makes us into a new creation.

PRAY

Pray by name for two people who do not yet know Jesus. Ask God to open natural, gracious conversations through friendships, work, school, and everyday life.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, make us faithful ambassadors of Your reconciliation.

DAY 11 / NOVEMBER 11 Communities Rooted in the Word**READ Acts 2:42–47**

The early church was devoted to teaching, fellowship, prayer, generosity, and worship. If we become a family of churches, we want to multiply these gospel-shaped commitments—not merely services or locations.

PRAY

Pray for healthy teaching, worship, discipleship, and community in Bridgeway today. Ask for wisdom about future church planting, including leaders, local relationships, and mobile ministry resources.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, build communities that love Your Word and make Jesus known.

DAY 12 / NOVEMBER 12 Pass the Faith Forward**READ 2 Timothy 2:1–2**

Paul urged Timothy to entrust the gospel to faithful people who could teach others. Vision becomes generational when we invest in disciples who will invest in still more disciples. This is how a mission extends beyond one pastor or one season.

PRAY

Pray for emerging leaders, teachers, small-group leaders, and future church planters. Ask God to help each of us intentionally disciple someone else.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Father, raise up faithful people who will carry the gospel farther than we can.

DAYS 13–18 / READY HANDS

A Church that Meets Needs

We ask the Lord to turn compassion into practical service for our neighbors, especially those who are overlooked or hurting.

DAY 13 / NOVEMBER 13 Love with Actions

READ 1 John 3:16–18

John insists that love must be more than words. Because Jesus laid down His life for us, our concern for neighbors should take practical form. Compassion is not a side project of the gospel; it is one of its fruits.

PRAY

Pray that our church will notice needs that are easy to overlook. Ask the Lord to give us wisdom to serve with dignity, humility, and consistency.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, turn what we say about love into what we do for others.

DAY 14 / NOVEMBER 14 Bread for Hungry Children

READ Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus saw a crowd in need and responded with compassion. The disciples saw how little they had, but Jesus directed them to serve. Pray for children in our community and for the proposed 2027 summer feeding ministry.

PRAY

Pray for children and families facing food insecurity, especially when school is out. Ask God to provide volunteers, trustworthy partnerships, and resources for a sustainable feeding program.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, help us offer both practical care and the love of Christ to families in need.

DAY 15 / NOVEMBER 15 A Place at the Table

READ Luke 14:12–24

Jesus challenged those around Him to welcome those who could not repay them. We want our gatherings and ministries to reflect that kind of gracious hospitality. Accessibility is one practical way of expressing the dignity of every person.

PRAY

Pray for families and individuals with disabilities or special needs to experience belonging at Bridgeway. Ask for wisdom as the church develops special-needs ministry and improves accessible facilities, including the planned men's restroom.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, teach us to make room and extend Your welcome to every person.

DAY 16 / NOVEMBER 16 Remember Those Who Feel Alone**READ Psalm 68:5–6**

Scripture presents God as a defender of the vulnerable and One who cares for the lonely. Some older adults in our city experience isolation or struggle with home maintenance. We can pray for friendship as well as practical assistance.

PRAY

Pray for older adults living alone, caregivers, widows, and those without regular support. Ask God to make Bridgeway a community of attentive relationships across generations.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Father, help those who feel forgotten experience Your care through Your people.

DAY 17 / NOVEMBER 17 Carry One Another's Burdens**READ Galatians 6:2, 9-10**

Bearing burdens is one-way Christians express the law of Christ. When disasters, sudden expenses, illness, or family struggles overwhelm our neighbors, the church can respond with presence and practical help.

PRAY

Pray for people facing crisis or recovering from disasters in our city and region. Ask God to develop partnerships and teams that can respond wisely, quickly, and compassionately.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, give us ready hearts and steady hands when others need help.

DAY 18 / NOVEMBER 18 Faith with Work Gloves On**READ James 2:14–17**

James challenges a faith that offers kind words while ignoring material needs. The envisioned handyman ministry can make love visible through repairs and practical improvements for local seniors.

PRAY

Pray for skilled and willing volunteers who can serve safely and respectfully. Ask God to provide the right tools, materials, partnerships, and opportunities for meaningful help.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, make our faith visible through humble, useful acts of love.

DAYS 19–24 / BEYOND THE WALLS

A Church that Sends

We pray for witnesses, future missionaries, sending partnerships, and a gospel witness from Starkville to the nations.

DAY 19 / NOVEMBER 19 Witnesses Near and Far

READ Acts 1:8

Jesus promised His Spirit's power so His people could be witnesses from their immediate surroundings to the ends of the earth. The work begins where we are, but it never ends with us.

PRAY

Pray for gospel conversations across Starkville, Mississippi, and beyond. Ask the Holy Spirit to make us bold, gracious, and attentive to people unlike ourselves.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Holy Spirit, empower us to make Jesus known near home and far away.

DAY 20 / NOVEMBER 20 A Church that Sends

READ Acts 13:1–3

The church in Antioch worshiped, fasted, prayed, listened, and then sent Barnabas and Saul into missionary service. A sending church recognizes that God may call beloved people away for the good of the gospel.

PRAY

Pray for spiritual discernment as Bridgeway identifies and supports those called to go. Ask for healthy sending relationships and opportunities for both short- and long-term ministry.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, give us open hands when You call people from among us to serve elsewhere.

DAY 21 / NOVEMBER 21 Here Am I—Send Me

READ Isaiah 6:1–8

Isaiah's willingness to be sent came after encountering God's holiness and receiving His cleansing. Mission is a response to grace. Pray that God would call and prepare missionaries, church planters, and everyday witnesses from among us.

PRAY

Ask God to awaken a sense of calling among students, adults, and families. Pray for humility, spiritual formation, and courage in those exploring vocational or cross-cultural ministry.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Holy God, make us people who listen and answer when You call.

DAY 22 / NOVEMBER 22 How Will They Hear?**READ Romans 10:13–15**

People need to hear the good news of Jesus, and the church has a responsibility to send messengers. Some communities have few healthy gospel witnesses. Our dream of a family of churches begins with that need.

PRAY

Pray for communities near us where discipleship and healthy church fellowship are hard to find. Ask God to open doors for future congregations and provide faithful local leaders.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, send Your good news through people who love the places they serve.

DAY 23 / NOVEMBER 23 The Next Generation Is Here**READ 1 Timothy 4:12**

Paul told Timothy that how others viewed his age should not prevent him from being an example in faith and conduct. Students and younger believers are not simply the future of the church; they are part of its ministry today.

PRAY

Pray for students on local campuses and for young adults in our congregation. Ask God to develop friendships, mentors, and ministry opportunities in dorms, apartments, and classrooms.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Jesus, grow young disciples who live and speak the gospel with courage.

DAY 24 / NOVEMBER 24 Partners in the Gospel**READ Philippians 4:14–19**

The Philippians supported Paul's ministry and shared in his work through generous partnership. Sending is not only for those who travel; others participate by praying, encouraging, and providing practical support.

PRAY

Pray for missionaries and ministry partners who need endurance, friendship, and provision. Ask for wisdom as Bridgeway explores a missions scholarship program and other ways to support those being sent.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Father, make us faithful partners with those who carry the gospel beyond us.

DAYS 25–30 / AVAILABLE FOR WHAT IS NEXT

Pray. Participate. Provide.

We offer our gifts, our leadership, our plans, and our resources to the Lord—trusting Him with the results.

DAY 25 / NOVEMBER 25 **Equipped for the Work**

READ Ephesians 4:11–16

Christ gives leaders to equip the saints for ministry, so the entire body grows toward maturity. As Bridgeway considers a new staff role focused on mobilization, pray that the result is more people serving—not ministry resting on a few shoulders.

PRAY

Pray for wisdom in identifying and supporting leaders who equip others well. Ask God to mobilize members in their neighborhoods, workplaces, schools, and daily relationships.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord Jesus, build up Your whole body and help each part do its work.

DAY 26 / NOVEMBER 26 **Every Gift Matters**

READ 1 Peter 4:10–11

Every believer has received gifts to steward in service to others. Some serve with words, some with hands, some by welcoming, organizing, giving, encouraging, or mentoring. No faithful act is insignificant to the Lord.

PRAY

Thank God for the many visible and unseen ways people already serve at Bridgeway. Ask Him to show you one concrete way to participate more fully in the coming year.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Father, help us use what You have entrusted to us for the good of others and Your glory.

DAY 27 / NOVEMBER 27 **Give with Willing Hearts**

READ 2 Corinthians 9:6–8

Christian generosity is willing and joyful, not driven by pressure or fear. As we consider year-end needs and future ministry opportunities, we ask God for honest stewardship, gratitude, and freedom in giving.

PRAY

Pray for those with financial hardship and for wisdom among church leaders who manage resources. Ask God to guide each household in prayerful, cheerful giving according to its means.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Generous God, free us from guilt and fear, and teach us joyful stewardship.

DAY 28 / NOVEMBER 28 Plans Submitted to the Lord**READ Proverbs 16:3, 9**

Faithful planning is worthwhile, but God directs our steps. We can prepare for new ministries, facilities, equipment, and future churches without claiming to know every outcome. This is the difference between trust and control.

PRAY

Pray for discernment about timing, priorities, finances, and partnerships in 2027. Ask God to give our leaders humility to change plans when necessary and courage to act when doors open.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord, establish what honors You, redirect what does not, and guide our next steps.

DAY 29 / NOVEMBER 29 More Than We Can Imagine**READ Ephesians 3:20–21**

Paul praises God for His power at work within His people and gives glory to Him in the church and in Christ Jesus. Our hope is not that every plan will succeed exactly as imagined, but that God is able and worthy of our trust.

PRAY

Pray that our dreams will be shaped by Scripture, prayer, and love for our neighbors. Ask that every good result—large or small—bring glory to Jesus rather than to Bridgeway.

TODAY'S PRAYER

God of power and grace, do what pleases You among us and receive all the glory.

DAY 30 / NOVEMBER 30 The Future Has a Name**READ Revelation 7:9–12**

John sees people from every nation and language worshiping before the throne and the Lamb. This is the greater vision behind all our plans: people redeemed by Jesus, gathered in His presence. The mission belongs to Him; our calling is to be faithful.

PRAY

Thank God for His grace during these thirty days and for the people He is calling us to love. Offer yourself again to PRAY, PARTICIPATE, and PROVIDE as He leads—without demanding control over the outcome.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord Jesus, here is what we have, and here is who we are. Help us be faithful to You.

AFTER 30 DAYS

Available for What Comes Next

Prayer is not a substitute for obedience; it is where faithful obedience begins. The Lord may lead different people to different next steps. Take a few minutes to consider how He may be inviting you to pray, participate, and provide as Bridgeway seeks to build gospel bridges in the coming year.

PRAY Whose name will I continue bringing before the Lord?

PARTICIPATE Where might I offer my time, relationships, or gifts in 2027?

PROVIDE How might I practice willing, wise, and joyful generosity?

A CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, thank You for bringing us near through Your grace. Keep us rooted in Your Word, united in love, and attentive to people who need hope. Raise up disciples, servants, church planters, and missionaries. Give us wisdom with every opportunity and every resource. We trust You with the future, and we offer ourselves for Your glory. Amen.