

# STF REGATHERING PRAYER GUIDE

## “REACH”

As STF moves into Stage 1 “Regathering,” we invite you to join our call to prayer. Please seek the Lord and His wisdom, protection, and provision in the areas below. We begin our prayer time by first aligning our hearts with God, signaling the assembly with the sound of the Shofar, reading and praying through Psalm 47, and praising and celebrating Him for who He is as Lord.

## Psalm 47

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| 1 Clap your hands, all you nations;<br>shout to God with cries of joy.            | 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises;<br>sing praises to our King, sing praises.   |
| 2 For the Lord Most High is awesome,<br>the great King over all the earth.        | 7 For God is the King of all the earth;<br>sing to him a psalm of praise.   |
| 3 He subdued nations under us,<br>peoples under our feet.                         | 8 God reigns over the nations;<br>God is seated on his holy throne.   |
| 4 He chose our inheritance for us,<br>the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.          | 9 The nobles of the nations assemble<br>as the people of the God of Abraham,<br>for the kings of the earth belong to God;<br>he is greatly exalted. |
| 5 God has ascended amid shouts of joy,<br>the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets. |   |

## Regathering

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As we assemble, it may be easy for the body of believers to feel disconnected from each other. There may be some processes or protocols that some of us may not agree with or simply think could be done differently. We come together praying and seeking unity among the body of believers for the Lord’s glory. We also seek unity for our nation during this divisive time.

- Unity
- Safety
- Logistics

*May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 15:5-6)*

*Other Scriptures: Psalm 133:1, John 17:23, Romans 12:16, Ephesians 4:3, 1 Peter 3:8*

## Experience

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In these unprecedented times, we have encountered significant changes, including new worship experiences. God has blessed STF with innovative ways to worship and will continue to do so as we move forward. As we reassemble, please pray for peace, unity, empathy, courage, boldness and strength.

- Reaching people with Jesus and the gospel through virtual venues.

*I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. (1 Timothy 2: 1, 3-4)*

*Other Scriptures: 1 Chronicles 16:10-12, Psalm 59:16-17, Psalm 66:4, Psalm 100:4, Matthew 11:29, 1 Timothy 2:1 - 8*

# Authority

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As our city, state, country and world move to reopen and our church begins to regather, please pray for our appointed leaders. Pray each of these leaders and those who provide counsel to these leaders would seek wisdom and discernment from the Lord.

- Pastors
- Leadership Advisory Team/Trustees
- STF Regathering Task Force
- Government officials

*... Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he deposes kings and raises up others. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. (Daniel 2:20-21)*

*Other Scriptures: Proverbs 1:7, Proverbs 2:6, Proverbs 3:13, Proverbs 4:6-7, Proverbs 19:20, James 1:5, James 3:17*

# Church Ministries

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As we begin to regather, we pray for our church staff, lay leaders, and volunteers to have supernatural insight to know the needs of the body and to build up, encourage, and equip God's people.

- STF staff
- Community group leaders
- Volunteers

*... to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. (Ephesians 4:12-13)*

*Other Scriptures: Leviticus 19:2, Isaiah 1:17, Isaiah 54:13, Matthew 4:19, John 6:45, John 13:15, Ephesians 5:1 - 2, Titus 3:14*

# Home and Beyond

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We are challenged to be a living memorial to Jesus Christ. Let us pray for each other asking for the Holy Spirit to fill each of us so we may live a life that glorifies Jesus Christ and demonstrates His love as we go and make disciples of all nations.

- South Tampa community
- Mission partners
- Online community
- Jerusalem, Judea, and the ends of the earth

*Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. (Colossians 3: 12-14)*

*Other Scriptures: Matthew 28:19-20, John 15:12-13, Romans 12:1, Colossians 1:9-12*