

CREATED TO FLOURISH



A 21-Day Prayer Journey
Asbury Church

21 Days of Awakening, Alignment, Empowerment, and Hope

Welcome to Created to Flourish

We are so glad you are here. These 21 days are a gift — an invitation to slow down, open your heart, and ask God to do something new in you, in our church family, and in our world. *Created to Flourish* is not simply a devotional series; it is a prayer journey, and we believe God meets us in the place of prayer in ways that change everything.

Each day, we invite you to follow a simple rhythm.

- ❑ **Read** the devotional reflection slowly and prayerfully — let the words settle in your heart before you move on.
- ❑ **Sit** with the Scripture, read it more than once, and allow God to speak through it.
- ❑ **Engage** the prayer prompt with honesty and expectation, bringing your real questions, longings, and needs before God.
- ❑ **Speak** the declaration aloud — there is something powerful about voicing truth with your own voice.
- ❑ **Live** out the action step. Faith grows when it moves, and each step matters.

We encourage you to keep a journal alongside this journey. Write what you hear, feel, notice, and believe. And don't walk this road alone — share the booklet with a friend, a family member, or a neighbor. Flourishing is always better together.

God is ready to begin something beautiful. Let's take these 21 days and give them fully to Him.

With hope and expectation,

Pastor Dave

Asbury Church

How to Use This Booklet

Step	What to Do
1. Read	Read the day's scripture and reflection slowly and prayerfully.
2. Sit	Pause in the scripture. Let it speak before you move on.
3. Pray	Use the Prayer Prompt as a starting point — then let your heart continue.
4. Declare	Speak the Declaration aloud. Speak it with conviction.
5. Act	Complete the Action Step. Faith moves. Let it move you.
6. Journal	Write what God speaks. Record what you notice. Let this journey leave a mark.

Our Journey Together

Created to Flourish is a 21-day prayer journey for Asbury Church — a season of asking God to create something new in our days. We believe God still speaks light into darkness, still awakens hearts, still aligns lives with His Word, still fills His people with His Spirit, still calls His image-bearers into purpose, and still brings hope that changes the world.

Over these 21 days, we will pray through four movements:

Movement I — AWAKENING

Days 1–5

Asking God to shine His light, revive our hearts, and awaken our communities.

Movement II — ALIGNMENT

Days 6–10

Returning to God's Word, growing faith, trust, and obedience.

Movement III — EMPOWERMENT

Days 11–17

Inviting the Holy Spirit to fill us, guide us, and strengthen us for our calling.

Movement IV — HOPE

Days 18–21

Believing again that because of Jesus, things don't have to stay the same.

We were created to flourish — and these 21 days are an invitation to step into the life that is truly life.

MOVEMENT

I

AWAKENING

Days 1–5

"Asking God to shine His light, revive our hearts, and awaken our communities."

God is still in the business of awakening. Over these five days, we invite Him to shine His light, stir our hearts, and begin something entirely new in us and around us.

DAY 1

God Creates Something New

READ: Genesis 1:1–25

REFLECTION

"In the beginning..." is not just the start of the Bible — it is the pattern of God's work in human lives. God steps into empty, chaotic, dark places and speaks light, order, beauty, and life. He creates what wasn't there before. He brings form where there was formlessness. He brings fullness where there was emptiness. And He still does this today.

When God creates, He doesn't simply improve what exists — He brings something entirely new. Something good. Something life-giving. Something that helps people flourish. These 21 days are an invitation to open your life to the God who still creates. The God who still speaks. The God who still brings light into darkness and life into places that feel barren.

Maybe there are areas of your life that feel chaotic, unclear, or empty. Maybe you're longing for God to restore something that's been lost or revive something that's grown cold. Maybe you're simply hungry for a fresh beginning. The good news is this: God specializes in beginnings. He delights in creating new things in the lives of His people.

As we begin this journey, ask God to create something new in your days — something only He can do. Something that brings "life that is truly life." Something that awakens your heart, aligns your steps, empowers your purpose, and fills you with hope.

You were created to flourish, and God is ready to begin His creative work in you.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to create something new in your life, your family, and your church.

DECLARATION

God is creating something good in my days.

ACTION STEP

Write down one area where you need God to create something new.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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DAY 2

Let There Be Light

READ: Psalm 27:1-24

REFLECTION

Darkness is more than the absence of light — it's the absence of clarity, direction, and hope. It's the feeling of not knowing what to do next, where to turn, or how to move forward. But the very first words God speaks in Scripture are, "Let there be light." God's heart is to illuminate. His nature is to reveal. His desire is to bring clarity where confusion has settled in.

Light changes everything. It exposes what's hidden. It reveals what's true. It shows the path forward. When God shines His light, fear loses its grip, confusion loses its power, and lies lose their influence. Light doesn't just help us see — it helps us flourish.

Psalm 27:1 says, "The Lord is my light and my salvation." God doesn't just give light — He is light. When His presence enters a situation, darkness is pushed back. When His truth enters your mind, lies are scattered. When His voice enters your heart, fear is silenced.

Today, ask God to shine His light into any area of your life that feels dim, confusing, or uncertain. Maybe you need clarity in a decision. Maybe you need courage in a relationship. Maybe you need conviction in an area where compromise has crept in. God's light brings truth, direction, and hope.

Let these 21 days be a time where God speaks "Let there be light" over your life again — and **watch how clarity leads to flourishing.**

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to shine His light into any dark or unclear area of your life.

DECLARATION

God's light breaks through my darkness.

ACTION STEP

Identify one area where you need clarity and ask God to illuminate it.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

DAY 3

Personal Revival

READ: Psalm 51:1-12

REFLECTION

Revival is often imagined as a sweeping movement — crowds gathering, hearts stirred, communities transformed. But every revival begins in the quiet places of the heart. It begins with one person saying, "God, create in me a clean heart." It begins with a new beginning of obedience.

David's prayer in Psalm 51 is raw, honest, and hopeful. He doesn't ask God to simply fix his behavior — he asks God to transform his heart. Revival is not behavior modification; it is heart renovation. It is God reshaping our desires, renewing our affections, and restoring our joy.

Personal revival happens when God awakens what has grown cold, restores what has been damaged, and breathes life into what has been neglected. It is the Spirit stirring hunger again. It is Scripture coming alive again. It is obedience becoming joyful again. It is worship becoming heartfelt again.

Maybe you feel spiritually dry. Maybe your passion has faded. Maybe your obedience has drifted. Revival is not something you manufacture — it is something God creates. And He delights in renewing hearts that return to Him.

Today, ask God to revive your heart. Invite Him to renew your joy, restore your passion, and awaken your obedience. Ask Him to create a clean heart and a steadfast spirit within you.

Personal revival is the soil where flourishing grows.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to revive your heart and renew your obedience.

DECLARATION

God renews my heart and restores my joy.

ACTION STEP

Confess one area where you need a fresh start.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Awakening in Our Communities

READ: Acts 2:42-47

REFLECTION

Spiritual awakening is never meant to stay contained within individual hearts — it spreads outward into neighborhoods, workplaces, schools, and cities. In Acts 2, God moved so powerfully among His people that entire communities were transformed. People were drawn to the life they saw. The early church didn't just gather — they radiated the presence of God in a way that awakened the world around them.

Awakening in a community begins when God's people live with awakened hearts. When believers carry light, hope, compassion, and courage into everyday spaces, God uses their lives as catalysts for change. Awakening is not accidental — it is the result of God's Spirit moving through ordinary people who are willing to pray, serve, and shine.

Dryden, Lansing, and the surrounding areas are full of people longing for hope, direction, and meaning. Many feel spiritually disconnected, emotionally exhausted, or relationally isolated. Yet God is already at work. He is stirring hearts. He is opening doors. He is preparing people to respond to His presence.

Today, pray for awakening in our communities. Pray for God to soften hearts, open minds, and draw people to Himself. Pray for families, schools, businesses, and neighborhoods. Pray that Asbury Church will be a beacon of light — a place where people encounter Jesus and experience life that is truly life.

Awakening begins with prayer. And prayer prepares the ground for flourishing.

PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for awakening in Dryden, Lansing, and surrounding communities.

DECLARATION

God is moving in our neighborhoods.

ACTION STEP

Pray for one neighbor or coworker by name.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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Awakening in Our Nation & World

READ: Habakkuk 3:2

REFLECTION

Throughout history, God has awakened nations — turning hearts back to Him, restoring justice, renewing hope, and transforming culture. From the early church to the Great Awakenings to modern movements of revival, God has repeatedly shown He is able to stir entire societies.

Habakkuk's prayer echoes across generations: "Lord, revive Your work... make it known."

Our world is desperate for awakening. Division, fear, confusion, and spiritual hunger are everywhere. People are searching for meaning, identity, truth, and hope. Nations are wrestling with conflict, injustice, and instability. Yet Scripture reminds us that God is not overwhelmed by global chaos — He is sovereign over it. He is able to move in ways that reshape history.

Awakening in a nation begins with prayer. It begins with God's people asking Him to move in power, to raise up leaders, to strengthen churches, and to pour out His Spirit across borders and cultures. It begins with believers who carry hope into conversations, workplaces, and communities. ***It begins with churches shining brightly in dark times.***

Today, pray for awakening in our nation and world. Pray for revival in churches, renewal in families, and transformation in communities. Pray for leaders to seek wisdom, for believers to stand with courage, and for the gospel to advance with power. Pray for God to move in places of conflict, suffering, and spiritual darkness.

God can awaken nations. And He often begins with the prayers of His people.

PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for revival across our nation and world.

DECLARATION

God can awaken nations.

ACTION STEP

Pray for one country in crisis or conflict.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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MOVEMENT

II

ALIGNMENT

Days 6–10

"Returning to God's Word, growing faith, trust, and obedience."

Flourishing requires alignment. Over these five days, we anchor ourselves to God's Word, deepen our faith, and invite His truth to realign every area of our lives.

Hunger for God's Word

READ: Psalm 119:105-112

REFLECTION

Flourishing begins with hunger — hunger for God's Word. Scripture is not just information; it is nourishment, direction, and life. It is the voice of God speaking into our days, shaping our decisions, forming our character, and strengthening our faith. When God's Word orders our steps, confusion fades and clarity grows.

Psalm 119:105 says, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Lamps don't illuminate the entire journey — they illuminate the next step. God's Word guides us one decision at a time, one moment at a time, one day at a time. It keeps us aligned with truth and anchored in hope.

But hunger for Scripture doesn't happen automatically. It grows when we choose to open our hearts to God's voice. It grows when we slow down, listen, and let His Word shape us. It grows when we treat Scripture not as a task, but as a treasure.

Today, ask God to give you a fresh hunger for His Word. Pray that Scripture becomes your guide, your anchor, and your delight. Ask Him to awaken your desire to read, reflect, and obey. Flourishing people are Word-formed people — people whose lives are shaped by truth rather than trends, by Scripture rather than culture, by God's voice rather than noise.

Let these 21 days be a season where God's Word becomes the foundation of your flourishing.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to increase your hunger for His Word.

DECLARATION

God's Word orders my steps.

ACTION STEP

Read one chapter slowly and reflect on one verse.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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DAY 7

Growing Faith

READ: Romans 10:8-17

REFLECTION

Faith is not static — it grows, strengthens, deepens, and expands. Romans 10:17 tells us that "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ." Faith grows when we hear God's Word, not when we hear opinions, fears, or distractions. Faith grows when truth becomes louder than worry.

Growing faith is essential to flourishing. It gives us courage to face challenges, confidence to trust God's promises, and strength to obey even when circumstances feel uncertain. Faith is the lens through which we see God's character, God's power, and God's faithfulness.

But faith doesn't grow by accident — it grows through intentional exposure to God's voice. It grows when we read Scripture, meditate on truth, worship with sincerity, and pray with expectation. It grows when we choose to believe God's promises even when feelings or circumstances push against them.

Today, ask God to grow your faith. Pray that His Word becomes louder than your fears. Pray that His promises become more real than your doubts. Pray that your trust in Him becomes deeper, stronger, and more resilient.

Faith is not the absence of fear — it is the presence of confidence in God.

Let these 21 days be a season where your faith grows in ways that shape your future.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to grow your faith through His Word.

DECLARATION

My faith is growing stronger.

ACTION STEP

Write down one promise from Scripture and repeat it throughout the day.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Confidence in God's Promises

READ: Hebrews 10:19-25

REFLECTION

Confidence in God's promises is not wishful thinking — it is trust rooted in His character. Hebrews 10:23 says, "Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful." Our confidence is not in our ability to believe — it is in God's ability to fulfill what He has spoken.

God's promises are not fragile. They are not uncertain. They are not dependent on circumstances. They are anchored in His unchanging nature. When God makes a promise, He binds it to His character — and He cannot lie, fail, or change His mind.

Confidence grows when we remember who God is and what He has done. When we recall His faithfulness in Scripture, His goodness in our lives, and His power throughout history, our trust deepens. Confidence grows when we choose to believe God's Word even when feelings fluctuate or circumstances shift.

Today, ask God to strengthen your confidence in His promises. Pray that His faithfulness becomes your foundation. Pray that His character becomes your anchor. Pray that His promises become your perspective.

Flourishing people trust God deeply — not because life is easy, but because God is faithful.

Let these 21 days be a season where confidence in God's promises becomes a defining part of your life.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to strengthen your trust in His promises.

DECLARATION

God is faithful to His Word.

ACTION STEP

Share one promise of God with someone today.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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Obedience & Realignment

READ: James 1:19-25

REFLECTION

Obedience is not legalism — it is alignment. It is bringing our lives into harmony with God's truth. When we obey, we flourish. When we drift, we wither. James 1:22 says, "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." Flourishing requires action.

Realignment is one of God's greatest gifts. It is His invitation to return to the path of life, joy, and purpose. Repentance is not shame — it is grace. It is God saying, "Come back to what leads to flourishing."

Obedience is not about perfection — it is about direction. It is choosing God's way over our way. It is trusting that His commands are not burdens but blessings. It is believing that His truth leads to freedom, not restriction.

Today, ask God to realign your life with His Word. Invite Him to reveal any area where your steps have drifted. Ask Him to give you courage to obey, even when obedience feels costly or inconvenient.

Realignment restores joy, peace, and clarity.

Let these 21 days be a season where obedience becomes a natural response to God's goodness.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to realign your life with His Word.

DECLARATION

I am aligning my life with God's Word.

ACTION STEP

Identify one area where obedience needs to grow.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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Lives Filled by the Spirit

READ: Ephesians 5:15-20

REFLECTION

We were never meant to live life alone or in our own strength. The Holy Spirit fills us, guides us, comforts us, and empowers us. Ephesians 5:18 says, "Be filled with the Spirit," which means being filled is not a one-time event — it is a daily posture. It is choosing to live with openness, dependence, and surrender.

A Spirit-filled life is a flourishing life. The Spirit brings wisdom when we feel confused, strength when we feel weak, courage when we feel afraid, and comfort when we feel overwhelmed. He produces fruit in us — love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. He empowers us to live out our calling and reflect Jesus in our world.

Being filled with the Spirit is not mystical — it is relational. It is inviting the Spirit into our thoughts, decisions, conversations, and actions. It is asking Him to lead us moment by moment. It is choosing to rely on His power rather than our own.

Today, ask God to fill you afresh with His Spirit. Invite Him to lead your day, shape your desires, and empower your purpose. Ask Him to fill any empty or weary places with His presence.

Flourishing people live Spirit-filled lives — not because they are strong, but because the Spirit is.

Let these 21 days be a season where the Spirit fills you in new and powerful ways.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to fill you with His Spirit.

DECLARATION

I am not alone — the Spirit fills me.

ACTION STEP

Pause three times today and ask, "Holy Spirit, lead me."

Journal

What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?

Prayer List

MOVEMENT

III

EMPOWERMENT

Days 11–17

"Inviting the Holy Spirit to fill us, guide us, and strengthen us for our calling."

God does not call the equipped — He equips the called. Over these seven days, we invite the Holy Spirit to pour out His power, sharpen our discernment, clarify our purpose, and embolden our faith into action.

Outpouring of the Spirit

READ: Acts 2:14-21

REFLECTION

Joel's prophecy is one of the most hope-filled promises in Scripture: God will pour out His Spirit on all people. Not just leaders. Not just the spiritually mature. Not just those with titles or positions. All people. Sons and daughters. Young and old. Every background. Every story. Every generation. God's heart is to saturate His people with His presence.

An outpouring is different from a filling. A filling is personal — God strengthens, comforts, and empowers an individual. An outpouring is corporate — God moves among His people in a way that changes the atmosphere, awakens hearts, and transforms communities. It is God doing something bigger than any one person could ever manufacture.

Throughout history, outpourings of the Spirit have marked seasons of revival, renewal, and awakening. They have led to repentance, reconciliation, boldness, miracles, unity, and mission. They have turned churches outward, softened hardened hearts, and drawn people to Jesus in extraordinary ways.

Asbury Church is in a season where an outpouring is not only needed — it is possible. You are leading a relaunch, stirring hunger, calling people to prayer, and inviting God to create something new in your days. These are the conditions where God loves to pour out His Spirit.

Today, pray boldly for an outpouring of the Spirit on Asbury Church — Dryden, Lansing, Español, and every person who walks through your doors. Pray for fresh fire, fresh passion, fresh boldness, and fresh unity. Pray for God to move in ways that exceed your plans and surprise your expectations.

PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for an outpouring of the Spirit on Asbury Church.

DECLARATION

God pours out His Spirit today.

ACTION STEP

Pray for one ministry or campus at Asbury.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Spiritual Discernment

READ: John 14:15-17, 16:7-15

REFLECTION

Discernment is one of the most important gifts the Holy Spirit gives. It is the ability to see clearly — to recognize truth, identify lies, understand direction, and sense God's leading. In a world filled with noise, opinions, and confusion, discernment is essential for flourishing.

Jesus promised the Spirit would "guide you into all truth." That means discernment is not something we achieve through intelligence or experience — it is something the Spirit produces in us. He helps us distinguish between what is wise and what is foolish, what is God's voice and what is merely emotion, what is opportunity and what is distraction.

Discernment protects us from deception, impulsive decisions, and spiritual drift. It helps us navigate relationships, leadership, calling, and daily choices with clarity and confidence. It keeps us aligned with God's heart and anchored in His truth.

Today, ask God to sharpen your spiritual discernment. Pray for clarity in decisions you're facing. Pray for wisdom in relationships. Pray for insight into opportunities. Pray for the ability to sense God's leading and recognize His voice. Ask the Spirit to help you see beyond the surface — to understand what is truly happening beneath circumstances and conversations.

Flourishing people are discerning people — not because they are clever, but because the Spirit leads them into truth.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God for spiritual discernment.

DECLARATION

The Holy Spirit leads me into truth.

ACTION STEP

Ask God for wisdom in one decision today.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Empowerment

READ: Acts 1:1-8

REFLECTION

Jesus told His disciples that they would receive power when the Holy Spirit came upon them — power to witness, power to serve, power to lead, power to endure, power to obey, and power to fulfill their calling. Empowerment is not about personality, talent, or confidence. It is about God's strength working through surrendered people.

Empowerment is essential for flourishing because God's calling always exceeds human ability. He invites us into assignments that require His power, not ours. He leads us into opportunities that stretch us beyond our comfort zone. He calls us to live with courage, boldness, and faith — and the Spirit supplies what we lack.

Empowerment is not loud or dramatic. Sometimes it is quiet strength in a difficult moment. Sometimes it is courage to speak when you feel nervous. Sometimes it is endurance when you feel weary. Sometimes it is clarity when you feel confused. Sometimes it is boldness when you feel hesitant.

The Spirit empowers us in ways that match the moment.

Today, ask God to empower you for the purpose He has given you. Pray for strength to obey, courage to act, and boldness to step into opportunities. Ask Him to empower your gifts, your leadership, your relationships, and your influence. Pray for His power to work through you in ways that bring life to others.

Flourishing people live empowered lives — not because they are strong, but because the Spirit is.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to empower you for your calling.

DECLARATION

The Spirit empowers me for purpose.

ACTION STEP

Take one small step toward your calling today.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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Image Bearers & Purpose

READ: Genesis 1:26-31

REFLECTION

You were created in the image of God — designed to reflect His character, creativity, love, and purpose. Identity is the foundation of calling. Before God tells you what to do, He tells you who you are. Flourishing begins with understanding your identity as His image-bearer.

Being an image-bearer means you carry divine design. You are not random. You are not accidental. You are not generic. You were crafted with intention, shaped with purpose, and placed in this moment of history for a reason. God has woven gifts, passions, experiences, and opportunities into your life that uniquely position you to reflect Him in the world.

Purpose is not something you invent — it is something you discover. It emerges from identity. When you understand who you are, you begin to understand why you're here. You begin to see how your life can bring light, hope, and blessing to others. You begin to recognize the ways God wants to work through you.

Today, ask God to deepen your understanding of your identity as His image-bearer. Ask Him to reveal how He has uniquely designed you. Ask Him to show you how your personality, passions, and experiences reflect His character.

Flourishing people live with a strong sense of identity — and identity leads to purpose.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to reveal your identity and purpose.

Ask God to reveal your identity and purpose.

DECLARATION

I am created with purpose.

DECLARATION

I am created with purpose.

ACTION STEP

Write down three ways you reflect God's character.

ACTION STEP

Write down three ways you reflect God's character.

Journal	Prayer List
What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?	

Clarity of Calling

READ: *Ephesians 2:1-10*

REFLECTION

Ephesians 2:10 tells us we are God's workmanship — His masterpiece — created in Christ Jesus to do good works that He prepared in advance for us to do. That means your calling is not vague or accidental. It is intentional. God has prepared specific opportunities, relationships, assignments, and moments for you to step into.

Clarity of calling doesn't always come instantly. It often unfolds over time as we walk with God, obey His Word, listen to His voice, and respond to His leading. Calling becomes clearer as we pay attention to the gifts God has given us, the passions He has stirred in us, and the opportunities He has placed before us.

Calling is not limited to ministry roles — it includes your work, your relationships, your influence, your creativity, your leadership, and your everyday interactions. God uses all of these to accomplish His purposes in the world.

Today, ask God to clarify your calling. Pray for insight into the good works He has prepared for you. Ask Him to reveal where He is leading you, how He wants to use you, and what next step He wants you to take.

Flourishing people live with clarity — not because they know everything, but because they trust the One who leads them.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to clarify your calling.

DECLARATION

God reveals my calling.

ACTION STEP

Write down one area where you sense God calling you.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Faith That Acts

READ: James 2:14-26

REFLECTION

Faith is not passive — it moves, acts, responds, and obeys. James tells us that faith without action is dead, not because action earns salvation, but because action reveals trust. Flourishing happens when faith becomes movement.

Faith that acts is courageous. It steps into opportunities even when the outcome is uncertain. It obeys God even when obedience feels costly. It serves others even when it feels inconvenient. It speaks truth even when it feels uncomfortable. It takes risks for the sake of God's kingdom.

Faith that acts is also practical. It shows up in small decisions, daily habits, and simple steps of obedience. It doesn't wait for perfect conditions or complete clarity — it moves when God speaks.

Today, ask God for courage to act on your calling. Pray for boldness to take steps, make decisions, and move forward. Ask Him to help you turn faith into action.

Flourishing people don't just believe — they respond.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God for courage to act on your calling.

Ask God for courage to act on your calling.

DECLARATION

My faith moves me forward.

DECLARATION

My faith moves me forward.

ACTION STEP

Take one practical step toward your calling.

ACTION STEP

Take one practical step toward your calling.

Journal	Prayer List
What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?	

Divine Opportunities

READ: Colossians 4:2-6

REFLECTION

God opens doors — opportunities, conversations, relationships, and moments that align with His purpose. Divine appointments are not accidents; they are invitations. They are moments where God's timing intersects with your obedience.

Paul asked the church to pray "that God may open a door for our message." He understood opportunities are not random — they are orchestrated by God. He also understood open doors require courage, discernment, and readiness.

Divine opportunities often come disguised as ordinary moments — a conversation with a coworker, a need in your neighborhood, a challenge in your family, a chance to serve, a moment to encourage, or an unexpected invitation. When your heart is attentive, you begin to recognize God's fingerprints on everyday interactions.

Today, ask God to open doors and give you eyes to see them. Pray for divine appointments, divine conversations, and divine opportunities. Ask Him to prepare your heart to respond with courage and faith.

Flourishing people walk through God-opened doors — not because they feel ready, but because they trust God's timing.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God for divine opportunities and appointments.

DECLARATION

God is opening doors before me.

ACTION STEP

Look for one opportunity to serve or encourage someone.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

MOVEMENT

IV

HOPE

Days 18–21

"Believing that because of Jesus, things don't have to stay the same."

Hope is not wishful thinking — it is confident expectation rooted in the character of God. Over these final four days, we lift our eyes to the God who restores individuals, families, and communities, and we carry that hope outward into our world.

Hope That Changes Our World

READ: Romans 15:5-13

REFLECTION

Hope is not optimism — it is confidence rooted in God's character. It is the belief that because of Jesus, things do not have to stay the same. Hope is powerful. It changes people, families, communities, and nations. It lifts weary hearts, strengthens tired hands, and restores broken dreams.

Romans 15:13 describes God as the "God of hope," who fills us with joy and peace so we overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Overflowing hope is not quiet or hidden — it spills into conversations, relationships, decisions, and environments. It becomes contagious. It becomes transformative.

Hope is essential for flourishing because it shapes how we see the world. Without hope, we shrink back, settle, and survive. With hope, we rise, believe, and flourish. Hope gives us courage to face challenges, faith to trust God's promises, and strength to persevere.

Today, ask God to fill you with hope through the Holy Spirit. Pray for hope to rise in your heart, your home, and your relationships. Ask Him to help you carry hope into places of discouragement, fear, or confusion.

Flourishing people carry hope — not because life is easy, but because God is faithful.

PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to fill you with hope.

DECLARATION

Hope rises in me.

ACTION STEP

Encourage one person with a message of hope.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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Hope for Individuals

READ: Psalm 34:1-22

REFLECTION

God is close to the brokenhearted. He is near to those who feel crushed, overwhelmed, or discouraged. He does not stand at a distance — He draws near with compassion, comfort, and healing. Hope is deeply personal because God is deeply personal.

Many individuals around you are carrying burdens you cannot see — grief, fear, anxiety, loneliness, disappointment, or shame. Some feel stuck. Some feel forgotten. Some feel hopeless. But God sees every heart, hears every cry, and knows every story.

Hope for individuals begins with presence — God's presence and our presence. When we show up with compassion, encouragement, prayer, and love, we become carriers of hope. We become reminders that God is near and that healing is possible.

Today, pray for individuals who are hurting. Ask God to bring hope to those who feel broken, discouraged, or alone. Pray for healing, comfort, and restoration. Ask Him to show you someone who needs encouragement — and then act on it.

Flourishing people carry hope to others — because hope grows when it is shared.

PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for individuals who need hope.

DECLARATION

God brings hope to the broken.

ACTION STEP

Reach out to one person who needs encouragement.

Journal <i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	Prayer List
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Hope for Families

READ: *Joshua 24:14-18*

REFLECTION

Families are under pressure — busyness, conflict, stress, distraction, and spiritual drift. Many homes feel stretched thin, disconnected, or overwhelmed. But God cares deeply about families. He designed them to be places of love, formation, protection, and blessing. And He is able to restore what feels broken.

Joshua declared, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." This was not just a personal commitment — it was a family commitment. It was a declaration that God's presence would shape their home, their relationships, their priorities, and their future.

Hope for families begins with small decisions — choosing prayer over panic, Scripture over noise, forgiveness over resentment, presence over distraction, and unity over division. When God's presence fills a home, hope begins to rise.

Today, pray for families — your own and others. Pray for marriages to be strengthened, for parents to be encouraged, for children to be protected, and for homes to be filled with peace. Pray for healing where there is hurt, unity where there is conflict, and joy where there is heaviness.

Flourishing families create flourishing communities — and God is able to restore what feels impossible.

PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for hope in families.

DECLARATION

God is restoring families.

ACTION STEP

Pray with your family or for a family you know.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Hope for Our Communities

READ: Jeremiah 29:4-14

REFLECTION

God calls His people to seek the peace and prosperity of their communities. Hope is not just personal — it is communal. It is meant to flow outward into neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, and cities. When God's people pray for their community, serve their community, and love their community, hope begins to reshape the environment.

Jeremiah 29:7 is a powerful reminder of how God cares about the places we live. He cares about Dryden, Lansing, and every surrounding area. He cares about families, schools, businesses, leaders, and neighborhoods. He cares about the spiritual, emotional, relational, and economic health of communities.

Hope for communities begins with prayer — asking God to bless, strengthen, and transform the places we call home. It continues with presence — showing up, serving, giving, encouraging, and loving. It grows through unity — churches working together, believers shining brightly, and people carrying hope into everyday spaces.

Today, pray for hope in our communities. Pray for leaders to have wisdom, for schools to flourish, for families to thrive, for businesses to prosper, and for churches to shine. Pray for God to awaken hearts, heal wounds, and bring renewal. Ask Him to use Asbury Church as a catalyst for hope — a place where people encounter Jesus and experience life that is truly life.

Flourishing communities begin with praying people — and hope is already rising.

PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for hope in our communities.

DECLARATION

Hope is changing our community.

ACTION STEP

Pray for one local leader, school, or organization.

Journal	Prayer List
<i>What are you learning? What are you hearing? How will you live out what you're discovering?</i>	

Go and Flourish

You have walked 21 days with the God who creates, awakens, aligns, empowers, and fills with hope. These days were not ordinary — they were sacred ground, and something has shifted in you. You are not who you were on Day 1, because the God who began a good work in you is faithful to complete it.

May the Lord bless you and keep you — may His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May He turn His face toward you and give you peace. May His Word continue to order your steps. May His Spirit continue to fill your days. May His hope overflow through you into every room you enter, every conversation you hold, and every relationship you carry.

You were not created merely to survive — you were created to flourish. Go and live like it. Go with courage, with faith, with joy, and with the deep confidence that the God who spoke light into darkness is speaking light into your life right now. He is not finished. He is just beginning.

Lord, we go from this place awakened, aligned, empowered, and filled with hope. Use us. Shine through us. May our lives — and our church — be living proof that You still create something beautiful from the surrendered and willing. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Continue the Journey

Connect with Asbury Church — we would love to hear what God has done in your 21 days.

Share this booklet with a friend, a neighbor, or someone who needs hope. Flourishing is always better together.

Join us each week as we continue to pray, worship, and grow as a community created to flourish.

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