

One of the most important values we have at The Ark Church is that of Prayer. Together with being Christ-Centered and Reaching Out to non-Christians with the Good News of Jesus, Prayer is part of the three most essential reasons for our existence.

The most wonderful part of this is that God has faithfully heard our prayers over the past two years and has seen fit to work our requests into His plans. What blessings we have had given to us! We have seen people come to Christ, healed of injuries and sickness that should have resulted in death, and miracles of timing in our everyday lives. Each of us should be able to recall at least one miracle that God has bestowed in response to our prayers. Where too many churches base success criteria on the number of people coming every Sunday, we have been blessed to see success in a way much greater than numbers. We know that God only answers prayers that are in His will and the multitude of positive responses He has given us proves that we are walking the right road.

Which brings me to my concern. May we never forget the importance of Prayer. May we never forget that one of the most important things we can do is to bring our requests to God. Let us remember that it is in prayer that we seek and find His will for us, our families and our Church. Are we praying as often as we should? Do we take advantage of the fact that God has given us unlimited access to His throne? And we don't even need to use the speed dial!

Can you come early on Sundays and pray over the musicians, the preacher and the prayer minister? Can you lead a mid-week prayer service? Are you praying for leaders to join us and for the harvest? There is so much we need to pray for. Let's not forget our most valued core values and let's take advantage of the power that comes with continued conversation with God.