



# 2021 'The Year of ANOTHER Chance'

**Lamentations 3:21-23 - 21** This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope. **22** It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. **23** They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. **24** The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

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## PRAYER & FASTING PERSONAL DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	01	02
I am asking everyone to fast on <b>Tuesdays</b> and <b>Fridays</b> through out the month of January	<i>The length of your time of fast will be left up to you. I recommend you using your devotion time as your time of fasting &amp; Prayer</i>	Consecration is always voluntary, and please consult your doctor or health care provider before beginning any fast	Daily Scriptures are provided to ensure a single focus for our church	<b>WATCH-NIGHT 2021 2021 Theme Scripture Lamentations 3:21-23 "ANOTHER CHANCE"</b>	"HAPPY NEW YEAR" <b>Revelation 3:20-21 "ACCEPTING THE INVINATION"</b>	"FRESH FORGIVNESS" <b>Colossians 3:13</b>
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
"FRESH BREAD" I am the Bread Life <b>St. John 6:32-35</b>	"FRESH FOCUS" What do you see from where you stand? <b>Ephesians 6:10-13</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" <b>Matthew 6:16-18</b>	"FRESH CARE" A Good Shepard, God will take care of you! <b>Isaiah 40:10-11</b>	"FRESH CALLING" Your will be done! <b>St. Mark 8:34-36</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" <b>Isaiah 58:6</b>	"FRESH FAITH" Lord, I TRUST YOU <b>Romans 10:17</b>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
"STAY CONNECTED" The Power of Prayer <b>St. Luke 18:1</b>	"GIVE IT TO GOD" Anxious for Nothing <b>Philippians 4:6-7</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" Our Church Family <b>Colossians 4:2</b>	"PERSISTENT PRAYER" The Holy Spirit helps in our weekness <b>Romans 8:26-27</b>	"HE RESCUES US" He will deliver! <b>Psalms 34:17-18</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" For our Pastor Earnest & Lady Jescena & Family <b>2 Chronicles 1:10-12 1 Timothy 2:1-4</b>	"HE WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU" <b>Psalms 94:12-15</b>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
"OUR BURDEN BEARER" <b>Psalms 55:22</b>	"GOD DEMONSTRATED HIS LOVE FOR US" <b>Romans 5:6-9</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" For our Civic Leaders, City, State, and Country <b>1 Timothy 2:1-4</b>	"HE WILL FORGIVE YOU" <b>2 sTMatthew 6:14-15</b>	"ONLY JESUS" Jesus paid it all! <b>Hebrews 5:8-9</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" A day of Thanksgiving <b>Psalms 34</b>	"PERSONAL HOLINESS" <b>2 Corinthians 7:1</b>
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
"FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT" <b>Galatians 5:22-23</b>	"THE LOVE OF GOD & LOVE FOR GOD" <b>Psalms 63:3-5</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" The Word of the Lord will have free course <b>2 Thessalonians 3:1</b>	"UNCHANGING GOD" <b>Hebrews 13:8</b>	"RESTORATION" He restores my soul <b>Psalms 23:3</b>	"Day of Prayer & Fasting" The healing our our land! <b>2 Chronicles 7:14</b>	" I AM PERSUADED" <b>Romans 8:38-39</b>
31	01	02	03	04	05	06
"THE BEST IS YET TO COME" <b>Romans 15:13</b>						

REMEMBER: Mt. Sinai Consecration 20201 is always voluntary, and please consult your doctor or health care provider before beginning any fast

## A SEASON OF FASTING AND PRAYER

Greeting in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

God has so blessed us to see another year, 2021. During this time God has called us into a time of prayer and fasting. Seeking God for guidance and strength to do His will.

Fasting is one of the oldest and most prevalent spiritual practices in the Bible. Great leaders in the Bible fasted routinely, including Moses, David, Jeremiah, Isaiah, John the Baptist, Jesus and the disciples. Jesus expects that we will fast regularly. In Matthew 6:16, Jesus addresses fasting specifically when He gave His disciples specific directions on how to fast and pray.

Fasting is a spiritual discipline that is taught in the Bible. Jesus expected His followers to fast, and He said that God rewards fasting. Fasting, according to the Bible, means to voluntarily reduce or eliminate your intake of food for a specific period of time and purpose. The Church of God in Christ has chosen Tuesday and Friday for our official days of Fasting.

During this consecration, ask God to bring specific people to your mind and to your heart. Begin praying for those people to find their way back to him. Ask God how he wants to use you to reach them. The lives of our family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors. Ask God to direct our leaders, heal our land, restore the joy our salvation. Pray as special prayer for me and my family, that God will lead, guide, cover us. That God will embolden me to continue to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ that is not tainted by political affiliation or social positions.

Thanks again for joining me in this this time of seeking God. He promised in Jeremiah 29:13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

[The best is yet to come.](#)

BeSafe and BeBlessed,

*Pastor Earnest"*

## "Fasting is a much-needed discipline in the life of a believer.

We fast for a number of reasons.

- To humble (deny) ourselves. Psalms 35:13
- To draw closer to God. James 4:8
- To help us understand God's Word
- To find God's direction in our lives. Ezra 8:21
- To seek deliverance or protection. Ezra 8:21-23
- To seek healing
- To repent. Jonah 3:10
- To show grief. Nehemiah 1:1-4
- To worship God. Luke 2:37
- To seek God's wisdom. Acts 14:23
- To seek deliverance from evil
- To gain victory. Judges 20:26
- To seek God's intervention in some particular crisis or problem.
- To intercede and pray on behalf of others.
- To prepare for ministry. Matt 4:1-17; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-1

## Facts about Fasting

- Fasting was an expected discipline in both the Old and New Testament eras.
- Fasting and prayer can restore the loss of the "first love" for your Lord and result in a more intimate relationship with Christ.
- Fasting is a biblical way to truly humble yourself in the sight of God.
- Fasting enables the Holy Spirit to reveal your true spiritual condition, resulting in brokenness, repentance, and a transformed life.
- Fasting will encourage the Holy Spirit to quicken the Word of God in your heart and His truth will become more meaningful to you.
- Fasting can transform your prayer life into a richer and more personal experience.
- Fasting can result in a dynamic personal revival in your own life and make you a channel of revival to others.

## A few Fasting Scriptures

- Acts 14:23 - And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.
- Joel 2:12 - Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye [even] to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:
- Mark 9:29 - And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.
- Joel 1:14 - Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders [and] all the inhabitants of the land [into] the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD,
- Acts 13:3 - And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid [their] hands on them, they sent [them] away.
- Esther 4:16 - Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which [is] not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish.
- Isaiah 58:6 - [Is] not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?
- Acts 13:2 - As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.
- Ezra 8:23 - So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated of us.
- Psalm 35:13-14 - But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.
- Matthew 17:21 Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.