

10 Ways to Get the Most Out of 10 Days of Prayer — Even on Your Own

- The 10 Days of Prayer materials are accessible online at tendaysofprayer.org. Whether you go through them alone or with your church or friends, we encourage you to download them and read and pray through them daily. When you do this, know that you are joining thousands of others around the world doing the same.
- If you don't have a church to do the 10 days with, consider asking family members, or a few close friends to join you in a special daily time of prayer during the next 10 days. Write down spiritual burdens you have and lift them up in unison, claiming God's promises.
- While meeting in person is always best, this isn't always possible. Consider joining with others via a daily prayer call via the phone or Skype. For those in the United States, free conference call lines are available. Just type "free conference call" into your favorite search engine for more information. A Adventist video service called flocktoc.com is also a great way to video chat and pray with friends and small groups.
- To share the blessing of prayer with others, consider going door to door in your neighborhood and asking your neighbors how you can pray for them. Some may turn you away, but you will find many receptive. You may also find open doors for those that want to know more about Jesus. (You can also do this in your work place.)
- Consider other creative ways to share prayer with others during these 10 days. In the past, some have put up prayer tents at health fairs and public areas. Others have opened their church doors at 5 a.m. for personal meditation and prayer and then at 6 a.m. conducted morning prayer meetings.
- In some churches, prayer requests were made and placed inside balloons. The balloons were inflated and exchanged between the members to pray for each other's requests.
- On the last day of the 10 Days of Prayer, some churches have chosen to hold a spiritual retreat or an agape feast sharing time and consecration service. If not participating with a church, you could do this on your own or with family.
- Other churches, on the final day of prayer, have started a 30-day intercessory prayer program where members were encouraged to pray for 30 days for three people who are not part of the congregation. During that time pastors

and members have gone on visitation, sharing Christ, and making friends. Members also have learned how to give Bible studies to help new believers remain in the church, thus empowering them in ministry. The creative ways to be part of 10 Days of Prayer can go on and on.

- Whether alone or with a participating church, the most important thing is that you take extra time to pray. Remember that every sincere prayer is heard, and as you choose to step away from life's distractions to focus on growing your walk with God, you will be amazed at what God will do.
- Even if you choose to do a set time for prayer at another date, that's fine. Whenever you take the time, God's blessings will follow. In fact, periodic times for prayer and fasting might just become a way of life.