# PLEASE keep this with you and USE it to come prepared to Worship – the main reason we gather together on a Sunday. "Preprayer" for Worship

"early will I seek Thee" (Psalm 63:1)

#### Driving to church...

- Pray for His arrival.
- <u>Implore</u> the Lord to protect all who are coming to the service (Ps. 91).
- <u>Trust</u> God to draw the unchurched to worship.

#### Seeing the sign...

- Pray for it to attract those who need to be there (Jn. 6:44).
- Request the Holy Spirit to perform signs and wonders as you praise (Mk 16:17).

#### Parking the car...

- <u>Petition</u> Him for corporate placement in His will (Rom 12:1-2).
- Ask the Spirit to put a hunger for God in the heart of each person as they arrive (Matt. 5:6).

# Standing at the front door...

- <u>Expect</u> an open door for Jesus' presence and for those who are hurting or have been rejected (Rev. 3:8).
- Bless the Lord for angels to protect each entrance (Ps. 91:11).

# Bowing in the narthex...

- Anticipate that mercy and grace will meet all persons (Ps. 51:1).
- Welcome the Holy Spirit to fill each worshipper (Acts 2).

#### Entering the sanctuary...

- <u>Praise</u> Him for a spirit of peace to flow throughout the building (Jn. 14:27).
- Believe God for the greater works that Jesus promised (Jn. 14:12).

#### Laying hands on each seat...

- Invite the Lord, in Jesus' name, to meet felt needs (Act 3).
- Intercede for particular families to hear a specific word of hope comfort, etc.

#### Kneeling at the altar...

- <u>Picture</u> many coming to repentance and to a new life in Christ (Acts 2:37).
- <u>Listen</u> for ways to pray for special things such as communion, baptism, etc.

# Pausing in the pulpit...

- Beseech the Lord to bless the pastor to preach with boldness and compassion (Acts 4:31).
- Earnestly pray that Jesus be seen (Jn. 12:21).

# Looking at the altar table...

- Thank God for all His provisions and bless Him for an abundant offering today (Phil. 4:19).
- Trust Him for all His gifts to be manifested (1 Pet 4:10).

#### Sitting in the choir loft...

- Lift up the choir and musicians to lead in exalted worship
- (Ps. 34:1).

#### Walking down the aisle...

- Entreat the Lord to challenge the congregation to go forth to fulfill the Great Commission (Matt. 28:19).
- <u>Claim</u> laborers for the harvest (Matt. 9:38).

### Be still in humble gratitude (Ps. 46:10; Eph. 3:20).

These prayers help us to discover God's Will for our life together. These prayers help us to be more sensitive to the needs of people within our walls as well beyond our walls.

These prayers open us to become more aware of God's presence. LET US SEEK TO WORSHIP GOD WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS AND MINDS.