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Discipleship – May 2023 Prayer Guide

ANSWERED PRAYERS

- Praise God we have had **over 100 people representing more than 60 churches and ministries** in Columbus come together to be inspired, equipped, and encouraged in disciple-making ministry so far this year!
 - Praise God for the reports of churches re-considering a deeper, more **intentional discipleship focus throughout our city.**
 - Thank God for a vibrant **Pastors Discipleship Network meeting** in March leading to a year of growth conversations for pastors.
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SPECIFIC REQUESTS

- Ask God to **raise up discipleship as a way of life** in the lives of all believers – in the marketplace, Church, and in schools and families. May we invest time in others and lead by example!
- Pray for **every new believer to have someone to disciple them.** May those who don't know Jesus see authentic community being lived out and may they be drawn to Christ's love.
- Pray that God would **multiply disciples making disciples** for healthy spiritual growth across our city. May all the discipleship networks grow!
- Ask God for **encouragement, wisdom and resources for discipleship ministries.**
- Pray for **transformed lives to lead to a transformed and flourishing city.**
- Specific, measurable prayers for our city:
 - **Ask God for a dramatic decrease in all forms of violent crime in Columbus over the next two years.**
 - **Ask God for every single Columbus City School to have a Church or Christian nonprofit partnership.**
 - **Pray for unbelievers to come to Christ at a faster rate than our population growth.**

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May 2023 Personal Prayer Guide

PRAISE and THANKSGIVING

- **Praise Jesus for His powerful example of life on life discipleship.**
Meditate on all Jesus has done for us to show us how to live as His disciple. (See *John 13, John 15:1-17, Matthew 4:19, John 12:26, Luke 9:23-24*)
 - **Thank God for the work of the Holy Spirit to convict, teach, empower and provide wisdom!** (see *John 14:26, John 16:7-8, 1 Corinthians 2:10-11, Acts 1:8, Ephesians 1:17-20*)
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CONFESSION and INTERCESSION

- **Ask God to speak to you personally about your discipleship life and habits. Invite the Holy Spirit to convict you** of anything in you that is out of alignment with His will. **Yield to God's prompting** if confession or forgiveness is needed.
 - **Bless your family, neighborhood and all of Columbus with a hunger to disciple and be disciplined.** Pray specifically for those you disciple. Ask for God to help you pass on the practice of disciples making disciples to multiply into a movement all across our city of disciple making!
 - Pray for **disciples to delight in obedience to the Lord and serve Him above all else.** May Jesus be our most treasured possession.
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PRAY ALOUD

Jesus, You have commissioned us to go and make disciples. We ask You to empower us with everything needed to live out Your calling over our lives. Help us to prioritize relationships and people over numbers of converts. Help us identify those who need shepherding and direction. May our city be a city of disciples making disciples! Give us a heart and passion for doing Your will and obeying You above all else. Renew our dedication to lead by example and serve the least of these. In Your beautiful Name we pray, Amen