

# A Devotional on Prayer

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Do you pray?  
Do you pray every day?  
Do you have a special place to pray?  
Does your mind wander when you pray?

I have heard that praying is a good sleeping pill. I have searched for a good definition of prayer and I like the one that says that prayer is your response to the character of God!

The past 11 years I have been all over the place in my prayer life. I have been praying for a son with cancer, a father with cancer, and a mother that I watched slowly lose her self. Then when God would answer my requests and desires, I would slowly move away from Him.

We are all called for different kinds of prayer. Now I have started on a new phase of my life, which includes:

- Moving to be closer to my family
- Adjusting to a new neighborhood
- Finding a new place to worship
- Getting acquainted with my new church family

But, my lack of discipline is bothering me!

As I look back on my life, my happiest times were when I was in His presence and talking to Him daily. I have to tell you that I send up a lot of “air prayers.”

I need that early morning experience of going to my study, sitting there and waiting to feel God’s presence, as well as the sense of peace I have as I open my heart to the Creator of the universe.

So as our church body celebrates this new location and a beautiful new building, we need to pray! We also need to be thankful to God and to praise Him for this new day at BridgePoint.

Let us get very serious about our prayer lives. Let us seek God’s point of view and not try to move Him to our point of view. Let’s discover how He wants us to move through each day. Prayer is a free gift with many rewards. Most of all, pray believing God will answer our prayers!