

Grace Family,

We pray you are enjoying the sun and clearer skies. Thank you for praying without ceasing for our firefighters, evacuees and the fires that have been raging throughout California. It really has been a challenging season and we pray that there would be healing in our land, environmentally and spiritually. To that aim, thank you for being a praying church!

In Christ Alone,
Pastor Bryan

Pray for the firefighters and first responders that serve on the frontlines to protect us from fires that continue to burn throughout California. Pray that God would protect, sustain, and comfort them and their families in this challenging season.

Pray for families and whole communities that have been forced to evacuate. Pray that God would meet their needs and would give them hope during a very hopeless time. Pray that they would experience the love of Christ through people and daily provision of resources.

Pray for the governor and federal government as they respond with resources. Pray that God would expand their capacity to lead and would grant them wisdom in their decisions. May they respond out of humility with a desire to help and not look at the crisis as a means to political gain.

Pray for the church. May God use us to meet the needs of people in tangible ways. Whether it be through our hospitality or Gospel-centered generosity, may the church show God's love through our actions so that people would believe our message of salvation in Christ.

Pray that tragedy would draw us together as a nation and that we would see ourselves as image-bearers of God. For those people that are divisive and filled with hate, may we be filled with the love of Jesus that compels us to grieve and pray for matters of the heart. The heart of the problem is the problem of our heart. People need Jesus so that they can walk in God's truth.

Continue to pray for teachers, students, and parents as they navigate virtual learning. Pray that they would be in a healthy rhythm of learning and that the energy of teachers and parents would be sustained through the fall. Additionally, pray for students, that they would see value in doing well during a challenging season and that they would find meaningful relationships outside of a traditional school setting.

Pray for Grace Community Church. Pray that God would continue to give us the wisdom necessary to plan and program our ministry. Pray that God would expand our capacity and give us new ways to reach people that would make us even more effective after the restrictions lift. Above all, may we all be of great encouragement, knowing that God is sovereign through all seasons.