

## ALABAMA BIBLE METHODIST CAMPMEETING 2011 PRAYER GUIDE

It is Camp meeting time once again! This is the time we gather together as a conference to seek God, revive our commitments, and renew relationships. But Camp meeting doesn't just "happen." There must be workers and pray-ers. You may or may not be one of the workers, but you can be one of the pray-ers. Please enlist! Hopefully this prayer guide will give you someone for whom to pray and a thought on which to think.

All my life I've heard people say that we must "get back to" something. Some say that meaning a way of life. Others say it out of frustration for current conditions. In this prayer guide we are going to go back a little more than 2000 years to when the early church began. Surely they have some answers for our generation! With the exception of the first and last days of the next 30 days, we are going to study the Book of Acts. Let's allow God to teach us what we need to "get back to."

### DAY 1

**SCRIPTURE:** James 4

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray that we will get close to God so that He will come close to us in the next 30 days.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Resisting the devil is an act of the will.

### DAY 2

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 1

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray that God would give us receptive hearts to whatever He speaks to us about during Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Quit trying to do God's work in your own way. The answer is found in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### DAY 3

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 2

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit in your own life.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** The day of Pentecost was a one-time event; however, the work of Pentecost needs to happen in the heart of every believer.

### DAY 4

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 3

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Camp President, Rev. Walter Hedstrom.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** When God does something for you, make sure you go "walking and leaping and praising God"!

### DAY 5

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 4

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Camp Vice-President, Rev. Darrell Stetler, Sr.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Ask yourself: "Do people recognize Jesus in me?"

### DAY 6

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 5

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for the Camp Board.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Search your heart: "Am I being completely honest when the Holy Spirit deals with me?"

### DAY 7

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 6

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Evangelist, Rev. James Southerland.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Even if you are a layperson, there is a ministry for you somewhere. Ask God how you can serve Him.

### DAY 8

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 7

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Evangelist, Rev. Duane Quesenberry.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** When you have to confront evil, the devil will not be pleased. You will face opposition. The experience might cost you a lot, but you still must confront it.

### DAY 9

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 8

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for a spirit of unity during Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** The gift of God cannot be bought, stolen, or bargained for. If you are trying to get to heaven any other way than through the shed blood of Jesus, repent.

### DAY 10

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 9

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Bible Study teacher, Rev. Larry Grile.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Ponder: "Have I been 'kicking' against anything about which God has been dealing with me?"

### DAY 11

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 10

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Song Evangelists, the Rodney Loper Family.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** When God gives you permission to do something, you are to do it with all your heart.

### DAY 12

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 11

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Children's Workers, Rev. Gene & Angie Davis.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** God will give His Spirit to whom He pleases. He will fill the heart of anyone who honestly seeks Him.

### DAY 13

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 12

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Youth Evangelist, Rev. Doug Eads.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** God still wants to astonish us with answers to prayer!

### DAY 14

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 13

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for the financial needs of the Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** When choosing people to do a job for the Lord, the Apostles had a wonderful method: pray, fast, lay on hands, and then send to the job. Imagine what could be accomplished if this was our method!

### DAY 15

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 14

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for those who will be seeking heart purity during Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** The world needs to hear about Jesus from us. Some people will accept our words, and others will reject them, but we are still responsible to tell them.

### DAY 16

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 15

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for every unbeliever who attends services.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** There is a right way and a wrong way to handle Christian conflict. Be careful! Standing for right in a wrong way can cause more harm than good.

### DAY 17

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 16

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray that every sermon will be anointed by the Spirit.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Sometimes God says, "No," to something we think is legitimate. The issue is not what we think or want. The issue is whether we will obey.

### DAY 18

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 17

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for the Camp cooks, Tom & Judy Davis.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** There is a true God! We are in a world that believes everyone can be right as long as they believe what they believe with all their hearts. This is a lie from the devil. Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

### DAY 19

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 18

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for those who are struggling with their faith.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** While we are at work, Christ must be seen. Our testimonies must be believable to our co-workers.

### DAY 20

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 19

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray that those people who God calls during Camp into full-time service will answer, "Yes."

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? It is here that you can find power and purity.

### DAY 21

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 20

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Ask God to show you any area in your own life that needs improvement. Then, take action to improve!

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Falling asleep in church makes preaching tough for the evangelists. Ask God to keep you awake during every service of Camp!

### DAY 22

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 21

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Ask God to renew your love for Him.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Everywhere Paul went, he did God's work. Sometimes that meant in the company of other believers. Other times it meant in the face of adversity. He was, however, a man on a mission. He would tell the world about Jesus even if it cost him everything. Oh God, give us a passion like this!

### DAY 23

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 22

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for safety from storms during the week of Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** When you get a chance to testify, do not tell people what you think—tell them Who you know!

### DAY 24

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 23

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for discouraged people who will be at Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** In verse 5 of this chapter, Paul realized he had made a mistake. He backed up and took responsibility for his action. We need to do the same.

### DAY 25

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 24

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Ask God to bless every church in the Conference.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** A clear conscience makes a good pillow!

### DAY 26

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 25

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for a moving of God amongst the teenagers.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Do not wait for a more convenient season to seek the Lord. Respond quickly to His promptings!

### DAY 27

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 26

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for the Missions service.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** “Almost” has determined the destiny of many people. Make the choice for the Savior today.

### DAY 28

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 27

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Ask God to prepare us to worship.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** God can get you through anything—even if your “ship” falls apart!

### DAY 29

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 28

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for Camp attendance and that God would make it possible for those who want to attend to be able to attend.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** We may not understand some of the detours we encounter, but God knows what He is doing and we need to trust Him.

### DAY 30

**SCRIPTURE:** Hebrews 11

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to be evident from the beginning to the end of Camp.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Think about the heroes mentioned in Hebrews 11. Say a prayer of thanks for the Christians you know who are impacting your life through their faithful living. Encourage them by letting them know!