

COVID Additions to Oxford Dictionary

- Maskne: an acne outbreak caused by facial coverings
- Zoombombing: when strangers jump on your Zoom unwelcomed
- Quarantini: a cocktail consumed in isolation
- Doomscrolling: the tendency to obsessively scroll online for bad news
- Covidiot



We will become an **equipping hub** that trains people to
unleash Jesus' love in their everyday lives.

*“They equipped me to confidently take Jesus into the rest
of my life, Monday to Saturday.”*



We will build a robust communal **rule of life** so our people
grow in intimacy with God.

*“I have rhythms and restrictions that actually help me resist
popular culture and connect with God.”*



We will ensure every person can name their
pastor and friends within the church.

*“I have a pastor who knows and loves me, and I have some
of my closest relationships in the church.”*

We will continue to build our reputation as the Love the ‘Ville
Church through our **social concern**.

*“No one loves the poor and the marginalized of this city
like Northeast. Those people are everywhere.”*



We will lead in facilitating **unity** among
diverse churches in the 'Ville.

*“They bring all sorts of churches together. There is no
spirit of superiority or competition. Same team.”*



We will be a **multi-ethnic** congregation.

*“People of different colors and cultures are represented
in their church, partnerships, and leadership.”*

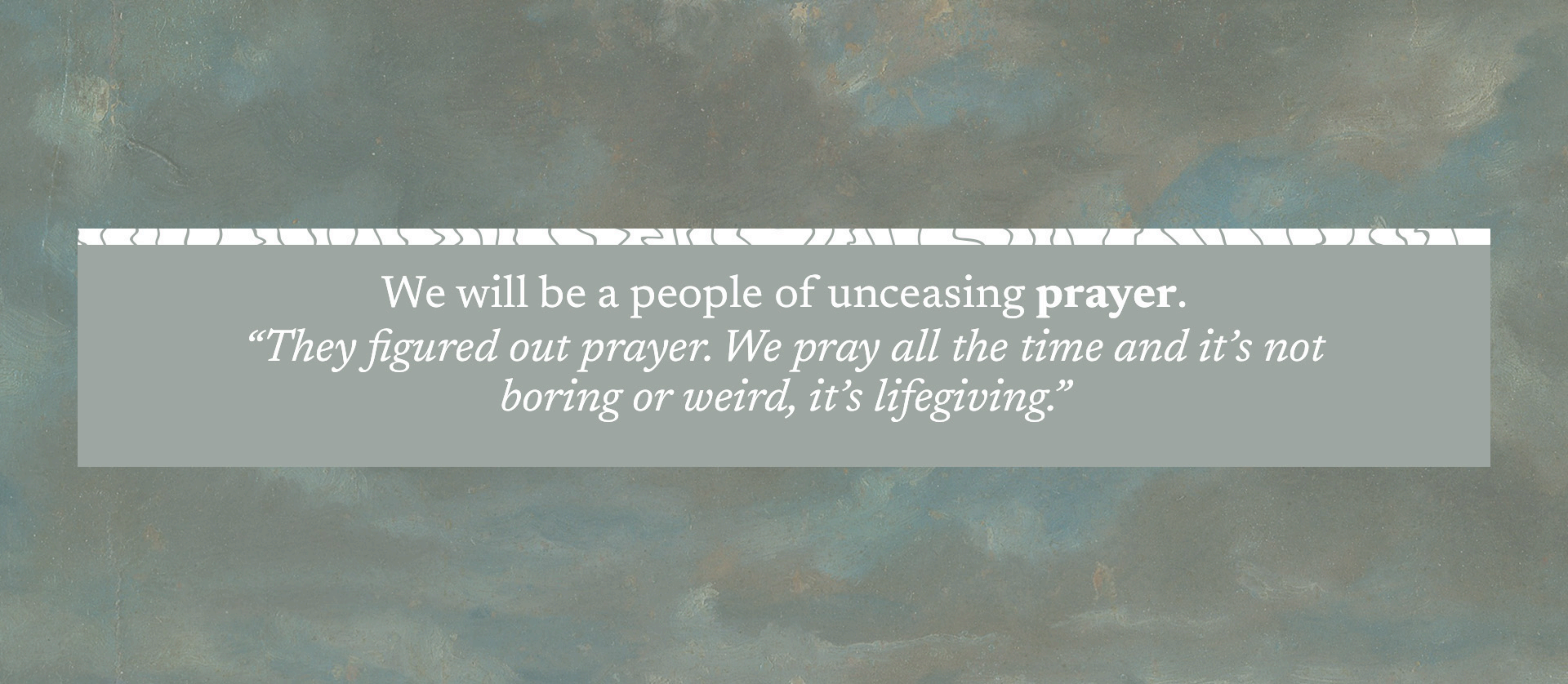
We will invest disproportionately in discipling our
youth, especially the most committed.

*“They are the place for your kid to get the sort of
intensive discipleship training they need today.”*



We will create **thoughtful and beautiful** expressions
of the Kingdom for our community.

*“Every time they create content, media, art, music,
anything, it really strikes a chord with me.”*



We will be a people of unceasing **prayer**.
*“They figured out prayer. We pray all the time and it’s not
boring or weird, it’s lifegiving.”*




We will be a congregation who knows, honors, and reads the **Bible**.

*“I grasp the story of the Bible, respect it as authoritative,
know how to read it, and actually read it.”*




2 Tim 3:16-4:5



All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do



2 Tim 3:16-4:5



what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip His people to do every good work. I solemnly urge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living



2 Tim 3:16-4:5

and the dead when He comes to set up His Kingdom: Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people




2 Tim 3:16-4:5

with good teaching. For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will



2 Tim 3:16-4:5



tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. They will reject the truth and chase after myths. But you should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering



2 Tim 3:16-4:5



for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you.

Paul on Scripture

- All of it is inspired by God
 - Teaches us what is right
 - Corrects our wrongs
- God uses it to prepare and equip us for every good work
 - A good preacher will preach it, even when it's hard
- A good pastor will correct, rebuke, and encourage people with it
- False-teachers will arise that tell you to follow your desires instead

The Bible

- Undisputed #1 Best Selling book of all time
 - In print all-together for over 1600 years
- More copies sold than Shakespeare, Dickens, Tolkien or Twain
 - Whole Bible translated into 704+ languages
 - NT translated into 1,151 languages
 - At least part translated into 3,324+ languages
- "Jesus" is the most recognizable proper name on planet
- You-Version Bible App celebrated 500M installs last November

UNHEALTHY PATTERNS OF LIFE

Alcoholism drops 57%

Sex outside of marriage drops 68%

Viewing pornography drops 61%

UNHEALTHY PATTERNS OF THOUGHT

Feeling lonely drops 30%

Anger issues drop 32%

Bitterness in relationships drops 40%

VIRAL & VITAL PATTERNS OF FAITH


Feeling spiritually stagnant drops 60%

Sharing your faith jumps 200%

Discipling others jumps 230%




Hebrews 4:11-13



Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one may fall through such disobedience as theirs. For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper




Hebrews 4:11-13



than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires. Nothing in all creation



Hebrews 4:11-13



is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before His eyes, and He is the one to whom we are accountable.




Hebrews 4:12-13

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Hebrews 4:11-12a



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When we live our lives in congruence with the
Word of God, it brings rest to our souls.



Jude 3

"the faith that was **once for all** entrusted to the saints."



"once for all"

No new revelation, no popular cultural fad, no progressive theological trend can change the faith that has been entrusted to us.

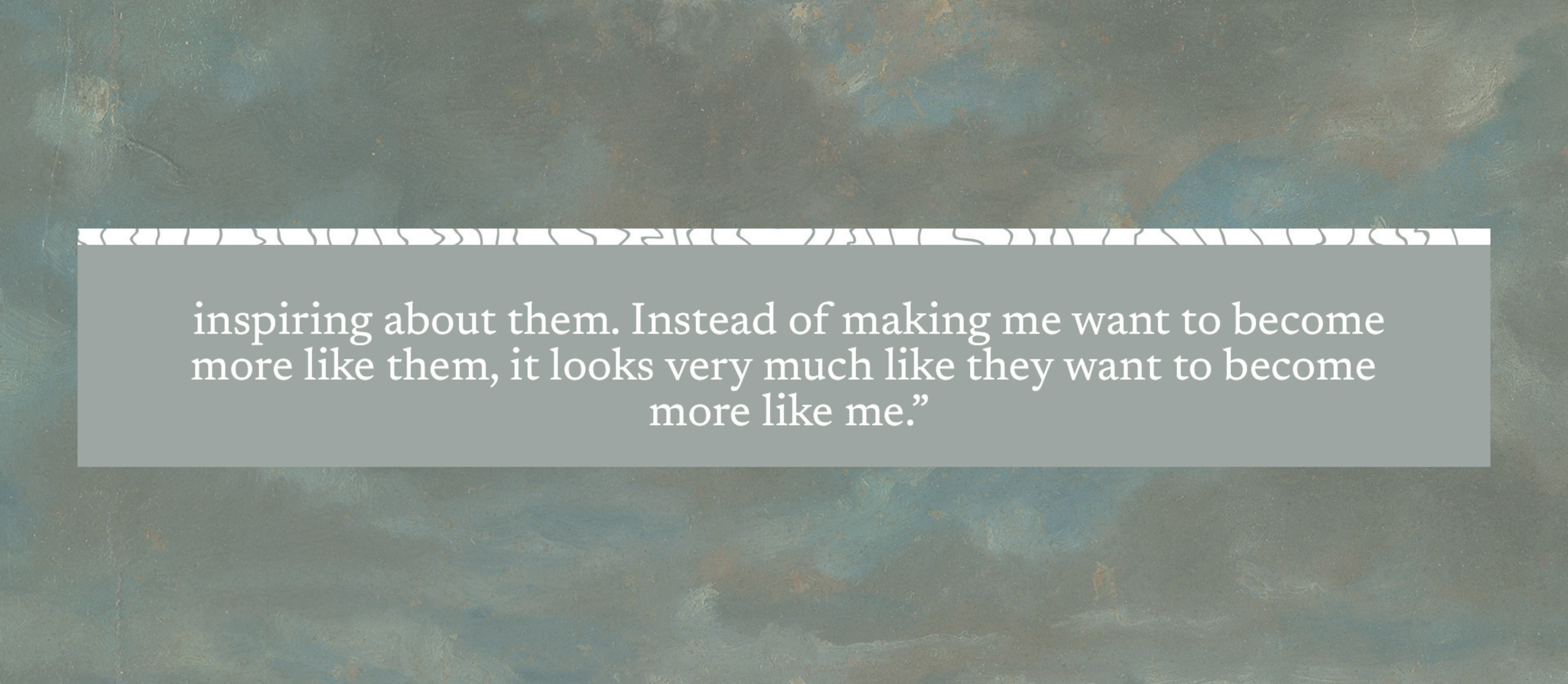


Ben Sixsmith

“If Christianity is such an inessential add-on, why become a Christian? I am not religious so it is not my place to dictate to Christians what they should and should not believe.



Still, if someone has a faith worth following, I feel that their beliefs should make me feel uncomfortable for not doing so. If they share 90% of my lifestyle and values then there is nothing especially



inspiring about them. Instead of making me want to become more like them, it looks very much like they want to become more like me.”



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"Orthodoxy"
Right belief

Festo Kivengere
Pandita Ramabai
Corrie ten Boom
Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Mother Teresa
Thomas Dorsey
Dorothy Day
C.S. Lewis
Mary Mcleod-Bethune
Henri Nouwen

Florence Nightengale
Howard Thurman
Sojourner Truth
Eric Liddell
Ni Kwei-Tseng Soong
John Perkins
Lottie Moon
John Stott
Flannery O'Connor
Martin Luther King Jr.



The Way - Acts 9:2



[Paul] requested letters addressed to the synagogues in Damascus, asking for their cooperation in the arrest of any followers of **the Way** he found there.

Five Types of Gatherings in 2023

Bible Studies

Equipping Services

Prayer and Worship Services

Celebration Services

Blitz Days

JANUARY

1st
Prayer Service

8th
Genesis

15th
Exodus

22nd
Deuteronomy

29th
Practical Equipping

FEBRUARY

5th
Practical Equipping

12th
Practical Equipping

19th
Practical Equipping

26th
Lent Worship &
Prayer Service

MARCH

5th
Practical Equipping

12th
Practical Equipping

19th
Practical Equipping

26th
Serve Blitz

APRIL

2nd
Palm Sunday
Celebration Service

7TH | GOOD FRIDAY

9th
Easter Sunday

16th
1-2 Kings

23rd
Psalms

30th
Isaiah

May 7th | Jeremiah

KEY

PRAYER

BIBLE

PRACTICAL

BLITZ

CELEBRATE