

# **Union Bethel Christian Church**

FAST & READING SCHEDULE

Starting tomorrow (April 21st), we will be FASTING, PRAYING, and READING THE WORD OF GOD for the next 21 days (April 21 - May 11). The FASTING SCHEDULE is as follows:

# FIRST WEEK - April 21 - April 27 - - - NO SODAS SECOND WEEK - April 28 - May 4 - - - NO MEAT THIRD WEEK - May 5 - May 11 - - - NO BREAD, DESSERTS, SWEETS (Candy)

Our FAST will end with an ALTAR CALL PRAYER and ANOINTING SERVICE on *May 11 (Mother's Day)* before the Benediction. Let's PRAY for the SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL, and FINANCIAL growth of the CHURCH and each individual member. Also, pray for the desires of your heart for Union Bethel Christian Church, your families, and our children. We are also praying that God will BLESS the Church with MUSICIANS who are dedicated and committed to Him, and that they will be long-term MUSICIANS who will help the ministry grow. Let's pray these prayers over the entire 21-day period, as mentioned in Matthew 18:19-20, Luke 11:5-8, and 1 Thessalonians 5:17. Remember that prayer changes things.

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#### <u>First Week</u>

April 21 - Proverbs Chapter 1 & John Chapter 1

April 22 - Proverbs Chapter 2 & John Chapter 2

April 23 - Proverbs Chapter 3 & John Chapter 3

April 24 - Proverbs Chapter 4 & John Chapter 4

April 25 - Proverbs Chapter 5 & John Chapter 5

April 26 - Proverbs Chapter 6 & John Chapter 6

April 27 - Proverbs Chapter 7 & John Chapter 7

#### <u>Second Week</u>

April 28 - Proverbs Chapter 8 & John Chapter 8

April 29 - Proverbs Chapter 9 & John Chapter 9

April 30 - Proverbs Chapter 10 & John Chapter 10

May 1 - Proverbs Chapter 11 & John Chapter 11

May 2 - Proverbs Chapters 12 and 13 & John Chapter 12

May 3 - Proverbs Chapters 14 and 15 & John Chapter 13

May 4 - Proverbs Chapters 16 and 17 & John Chapter 14



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### <u>Third Week</u>

May 5 - Proverbs Chapters 18 and 19 & John Chapter 15

May 6 - Proverbs Chapters 20 and 21 & John Chapter 16

May 7 - Proverbs Chapters 22 and 23 & John Chapter 17

May 8 - Proverbs Chapters 24 and 25 & John Chapter 18

May 9 - Proverbs Chapters 26 and 27 & John Chapter 19

May 10 - Proverbs Chapters 28 and 29 & John Chapter 20

May 11 - Proverbs Chapters 30 and 31 & John Chapter 21

(Today is Mother's Day, but take a few minutes after church to complete the reading. When we finish the Reading Schedule, we will have read the entire Book of Proverbs and the Gospel of John.)

I pray that each of us will be committed to the FAST, PRAYER, and the READING OF THE WORD over this 21-day period so much so that we will be drawn closer to God (James 4:7-10) and closer to each other (Hebrews 10:23-25). Pray for each other (James 5:16), including our members, the pastor and his wife, our associate ministers and their spouses, the executive board, the stewards, the stewardesses, the Sunday School officers and teachers, and our children. Let us ask God for wisdom (James 1:5) so we can do our part to GROW A THRIVING and SPIRITUALLY STRONG MINISTRY that will draw others to JESUS CHRIST!

Blessings,