
"The time spent in the seminar was a good mix of teaching and doing. It is appropriate for "beginners" as well as those "looking for a next step."

- Ron Ludwick, Pastor, Lebanon CoB

"At the prayer seminar we chose prayer partners and were given suggestions for readings. My partner and I chose to read a Psalm a day as a prayer. I have read the Psalms before but doing them as a prayer has really opened up new insights to the Psalms."

-Vicky Knode, Paxton CoB

"Highly recommended. A group using this teaching will gain a grasp of the purpose and power of prayer in the Christian faith. Participants should leave understanding how to pray and feeling encouraged in their life of prayer. "

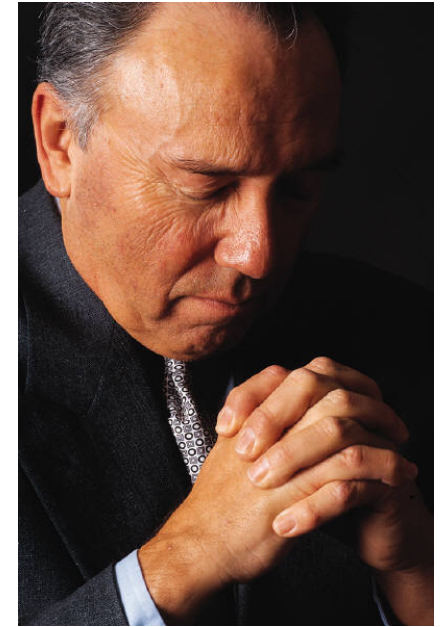
- David S. Young, Spiritual Renewal Team



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**Prayer Seminar
for
Congregations**

Offered by the District Spiritual
Renewal Team to help
individuals and congregations
grow in a life of prayer.

BACKGROUND ~

At the 2007 Atlantic Northeast District Conference, a prayer survey was taken by the District Spiritual Renewal Team (DSRT). As a result, many persons expressed a need for a prayer seminar for their congregation. Pastor Robert Vroon has developed a one-day retreat on prayer, which the DSRT has experienced together. The DSRT recommends this Seminar to all individuals and congregations in the Atlantic Northeast District.

SEMINAR PURPOSE ~

To help both individuals and congregations grow in a life of prayer.

SEMINAR GOALS ~

To provide practical teaching on prayer. To provide opportunity to reflect on one's personal and corporate prayer life. To form accountability relationships to help all move forward in the life of prayer.

THE RESULT ~

Participants will be equipped and encouraged to grow in their prayer life.

FAQ ~

WHAT TOPICS ARE COVERED? Three teaching sessions address 1) motivation for prayer, 2) how to grow your personal prayer life, and 3) how to strengthen your church's corporate prayer life.

HOW IS IT PRESENTED? Each teaching session is followed by a half-hour practical exercise in which participants work on putting what they learned into practice. Teaching is Bible-based, and includes both discussion and lecture. Note-taking is not required as participants are provided printed handouts

HOW MUCH TIME IS INVOLVED? A total of six hours, plus short breaks and possibly a meal time. The Seminar could be presented on a Saturday, a Friday night/Saturday morning, or Sunday afternoon/evening. If desired, the seminar can be compressed to 4 1/2 hours. Other schedules could also be considered depending on the group's needs.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE SEMINAR? Individuals will be encouraged to have regular contact with an accountability partner in order to encourage each other to grow in their prayer life. The congregation will be encouraged to set up a Prayer Action Team (with pastor as ex-officio member) to work at strengthening the corporate prayer life of the church. The Seminar leader can be contacted for ongoing help.



CONTACT PERSON ~

For further information, or to schedule a prayer seminar for your church, please contact Seminar Leader Bob Vroon either by phone (302-656-5912), or email bob.vroon@verizon.net OR Bev Anspaugh, ANE District Director of Leadership Development (717-367-4730), or banspaugh@ane-cob.org

COST ~

There is no cost for the Seminar itself. Please plan to reimburse the Seminar Leader for mileage at the current IRS rate, plus any other expenses such as copies, etc.