Daniel Feast Prayer Guide

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WEDNESDAY PRAYER GUIDE | FEAST OF WEEKS (Leviticus 23:15-16)

Feast of Weeks "Shavuot" is an appointed time of thanksgiving to celebrate God's faithfulness to provide the early harvest. The Feast of Weeks (Ex 34:22) has numerous names such as Feast of Harvest (Ex 23:16). Feast of Weeks is also referred to as the Latter FirstFruits. In Hebrew the name for Feast of Weeks is Shavuot. In Greek it is referred to as Pentecost (Acts 2:1). Feast of Weeks "Pentecost" marks the end of the barley harvest and the start of the wheat harvest. The celebration of the feast is done by giving thanks to God's faithfulness to provide, which builds the faith of God's people to continue to trust In God's promises for the future.

You are to count seven^[a] complete weeks^[b] starting from the day after the Sabbath, the day you brought the sheaf of the presentation offering. You are to count fifty days until the day after the seventh Sabbath and then present an offering of new grain to the LORD

(Lev 23:15-16)

PRAYER POINTS: GRATEFUL FOR THE CHURCH

- 1. **Give** thanks to God for making us his people and bringing us into the church, the family of God. **Praise** the Lord that within the church, God takes former strangers, upon whom He has bestowed unique talents and giftings, and makes them brothers and sisters in Christ who labor together to advance his Kingdom.
- 2. **Pray** for the unity of our church. The Lord calls us to be "eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" Ephesians 4:3. **Pray** we would be united by the Spirit in our mission to see Jesus exalted in the hearts of the lost and that we would love each other to the fullest. **Pray** that the world would know we are disciples of Jesus because we love one another (John 13:35). Pray also for protection against the enemy's attempts to create division and dissension among us.
- 3. Pray that God would be glorified in all that we do and the name of Christ exalted. May each of us be a Difference Maker for Christ and his Kingdom. Pray for the Lord's power and Spirit to accompany each ministry endeavor and gospel conversation we have in 2023.
- 4. Pray that we would be a safe and welcoming place for the broken and hurting. May we receive sinners as Jesus did and extend to them the hope and forgiveness that Jesus offers.

*Write down all the ways you have experienced God's blessing through the church. Keep it in your Bible to go back periodically in 2023.