



**PRAYING**  
*for a* **GC2**  
**AWAKENING**

 **TEXAS BAPTISTS®**



# PRAYING — *for a* — “GC2 AWAKENING”

SEVEN WEEKS  
of Prayer Toward Pentecost  
April 5–May 24, 2026

Texas is growing, but so too is the lostness in our state. In the 50 days from Easter to Pentecost Sunday, Texas Baptists are joining global Baptists in prayer for spiritual awakening, as together we seek to finish the task of the Great Commission in our state and beyond.

You may use this guide for your personal daily prayer time. We also encourage you to use it in your church, class, group and at home to pray for a Great Commandment and Great Commission awakening. Each week includes a theme and focus, six points for use throughout the week (allowing for a day of rest and reflection), and a related Texas Baptists ministry that you support through your generous Cooperative Program giving. Additional prayer points are provided for the week following Pentecost Sunday as we conclude by praying for Holy Spirit empowerment.

Let us know you are praying at [txb.org/gc2awakening](http://txb.org/gc2awakening). May God move in a mighty way!

WEEK	DATES	FOCUS
1	April 5-11	The Lostness Around Us
2	April 12-18	Great Commandment Obedience
3	April 19-25	Great Commission Obedience
4	April 26-May 2	Strengthening Local Churches
5	May 3-9	Strengthening Ministers
6	May 10-16	Strengthening Mission Efforts
7	May 17-23	His Kingdom Come
Pentecost Sunday	May 24	Holy Spirit Empowerment

WEEK

1

# The Lostness Around Us

**FOCUS:** Cultivating a heart of compassion for the millions in Texas who do not know Jesus.

- Give us spiritual eyes to see the lost with the compassion of Christ.  
*Matthew 9:36–38*
- Help us remember that Jesus came to seek and save the lost.  
*Luke 19:10*
- Help us see the value of every lost person and rejoice when sinners repent.  
*Luke 15:7*
- Open our eyes to the urgency of the gospel for those who have not yet heard.  
*Romans 10:14–15*
- Break through the spiritual blindness that keeps many from seeing the truth of the gospel.  
*2 Corinthians 4:3–4*
- Help us recognize the harvest that is already around us.  
*John 4:35*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

### EVANGELISM

The Texas Baptists Evangelism team exists to challenge, equip and train Texas Baptists to passionately fulfill God's call to reach all people with the gospel of Jesus Christ.



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# Great Commandment Obedience

## FOCUS:

Loving God with our whole being and loving our neighbors as ourselves.

- Renew our love for you, God, and draw us into deeper devotion.  
*Mark 12:30*
- Help us love our neighbors with compassion and acts of mercy.  
*Luke 10:36–37*
- Teach us to forgive others just as Christ has forgiven us.  
*Colossians 3:13*
- Let our love for one another be a testimony to the world.  
*John 13:35*
- Shape our churches into communities marked by humility, patience and unity.  
*Ephesians 4:2–3*
- Help our love for Christ be reflected in faithful obedience.  
*John 14:15*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

### HUNGER & CARE MINISTRY

Texas Baptists Hunger & Care Ministry serves to put faith into action through partnership, education and empowerment.



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# Great Commission Obedience

**FOCUS:**

**Making disciples of all nations, beginning where we are.**

- Give us boldness to share the gospel in everyday conversations.  
*Acts 4:29*
- Grant fruitfulness to our witness across the street and around the world.  
*John 15:16*
- Guide Texas Baptists churches to make disciples who grow in lifelong faithfulness.  
*Matthew 28:19–20*
- Equip believers with confidence and clarity to share their faith.  
*2 Timothy 2:2*
- Raise up disciple-makers who invest in the next generation of believers.  
*Matthew 9:37–38*
- Multiply new disciples who faithfully follow Christ and disciple others.  
*Acts 2:41–47*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

### MISSIONARY ADOPTION PROGRAM

The Missionary Adoption Program connects churches to local missionaries in other countries serving under Baptist entities, associations or conventions.



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# Strengthening Local Churches

**FOCUS:**

The health and vitality of each local congregation.

- Help churches shine as lights in their communities.  
*Matthew 5:14*
- Revitalize struggling congregations so they may again reach their communities for Christ.  
*Revelation 3:2*
- Protect churches from division, apathy and false teaching.  
*Ephesians 4:1–3*
- Provide for the needs of churches so they may serve generously in ministry.  
*2 Corinthians 9:8*
- Strengthen pastors and church leaders with wisdom, humility and perseverance.  
*1 Peter 5:2–3*
- Fill congregations with joy, unity and spiritual vitality.  
*Acts 2:42–47*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

**PAVE**

Pave is the Texas Baptists church revitalization strategy designed to help pastors customize revitalization for their context.



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# Strengthening Ministers

**FOCUS:**

The well-being of those called to vocational ministry.

- Help ministers remain steadfast and faithful in their calling.  
*Galatians 6:9*
- Protect and strengthen the families of those serving in ministry.  
*Joshua 24:15*
- Provide rest and renewal for ministers experiencing fatigue or burnout.  
*Matthew 11:28–30*
- Guard ministers from discouragement, temptation and spiritual attack.  
*1 Peter 5:8–9*
- Surround ministers with encouragement and supportive community.  
*Hebrews 10:24–25*
- Raise up a new generation of leaders to answer the call to ministry.  
*1 Samuel 3:10*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

### PASTOR STRONG

Pastor Strong cohorts join Texas Baptists pastors together in a journey to strengthen their ministry and personal resilience through areas of soul-care and leader development.



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6

# Strengthening Mission Efforts

**FOCUS:** Supporting cooperative missions  
in Texas and beyond.

- Sustain missionaries serving across Texas and around the world.  
*Romans 10:14–15*
- Open doors for the gospel in places where Christ is not yet known.  
*Colossians 4:3*
- Bless partnerships that advance the gospel through cooperative missions.  
*2 Corinthians 8:1–4*
- Protect and provide for church planters launching new congregations.  
*Acts 16:9–10*
- Send laborers into the harvest fields across Texas and the nations.  
*Matthew 9:37–38*
- Multiply churches that faithfully proclaim Christ and disciple believers.  
*Acts 13:1–3*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

### GO NOW

Go Now Missions sends Texas college students to carry the gospel of Jesus Christ across our state, the nation and the world.



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# His Kingdom Come

**FOCUS:**

Aligning our hearts with the reign and rule of God.

- Let God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
*Matthew 6:10*
- Shape our priorities around the pursuit of God's kingdom.  
*Matthew 6:33*
- Strengthen and comfort believers facing persecution.  
*Hebrews 13:3*
- Help us live daily in light of Christ's return.  
*Revelation 22:20*
- Form in us hearts that long for the full renewal of creation.  
*Romans 8:18–23*
- Lead your church to faithful obedience until Christ comes again.  
*1 Corinthians 15:58*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

**DISCIPLESHIP**

Texas Baptists Discipleship team empowers Texas Baptists churches to cultivate lifelong, holistic faith across every generation.



PENTECOST

SUN  
DAY

# Holy Spirit Empowerment

**FOCUS:**

The filling of the Spirit for the work of the ministry.

- Pour out a fresh movement of the Holy Spirit upon our churches.  
*Acts 2:1–4*
- Empower believers with spiritual gifts for the building up of the church.  
*1 Corinthians 12:4–7*
- Teach us to depend on the Spirit rather than our own strength.  
*Zechariah 4:6*
- Fill believers with boldness to proclaim Christ.  
*Acts 4:31*
- Produce the fruit of the Spirit in our lives and churches.  
*Galatians 5:22–23*
- Send us out in the power of the Spirit to advance the mission of God.  
*Acts 1:8*

## TEXAS BAPTISTS MINISTRY FOCUS:

### TEXAS BAPTISTS

Texas Baptists exists to strengthen a multiplying movement of churches to live out the Great Commandment and Great Commission in Texas and beyond.

