



Thistlebend in the Garden WEEK ONE WORKSHOP

Important Notes

- Your prayer binder is intentionally designed to be fully customizable. Don't fret if you haven't done this before, it may take you a while to think through what is best for you and your prayer time.
- The workshop is meant to help you work this out for the most efficient, effective and eternal results.
- Lists #1-#5 are for gathering the names of people, institutions, schools, churches, missionaries, and ministries that you want to pray for. They are not specifically related to the five tabs in your binder. You can use the lists as you see fit.
- During next week's workshop using lists #1-#5 we will begin to assign people, institutions, missionaries, ministries, etc. to whichever day you will pray for them.

Workshop Steps for Week One

#1 Plan for the Five Plastic Colored Tabs:

- Begin to think through who and what you will pray for on each day.
- Use sticky notes on your divider pages until you make a final decision for who you and what you will pray for on those days.

#2 Plan for the divider pages

- There is one flower divider page for each tab.
- They are designed for you to be able to designate the people and groups you would like to pray for each day and keep it all organized (the lines on the divider pages are provided to note the names of the people or groups you are praying for).

#3 *Begin* gathering your family prayers and Scriptures (only if you have time we will visit this again next week, see the following page for additional helps)

- Use the lined paper in the back of your binder to write your prayers and the Scriptures you would like to pray.
- Think through and write out your prayers for your immediate family.
- Scriptures for your husband are provided from the Falling in Love Again with Your Husband study. Use as you wish.

Special Reference Handout: Unanswered Prayer by Scott Kaczorowski

Additional Helps

Gathering Prayers and Scriptures

- **Highlight** or mark with a heart ♥ the Scriptures that you would like to pray for your family and friends as you pray through your prayer book, Bible study, or Bible reading.
- The lined paper in the back of your binder is provided to write your prayers for others and the Scriptures you would like to pray.
- When writing your prayers begin with your immediate family and close friends. Take it one day at a time. Each week continue to add for your friends, neighbors, lost, and missionaries and ministries. You might consider just writing a simple list of names as you begin setting up your divider sections until you have time to think through and write out all your prayers for them.
- Scriptures for your husband are provided on the *In the Garden* Resource Page under Fourth Class Day, Handout for Workshop 2 Scriptures to Pray.
- Additional Scriptures and prayer examples for others are provided on the Resource Page for your reference as well.
- Please consider treating yourself to a special time of prayer with the Lord. Schedule a two-hour time block in a quiet corner in your home or at your favorite coffee shop. Take this time to write out the Scriptures and prayers you have been gathering.

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- **Yearly Recap: Around Thanksgiving or at the New Year take time to go through your journal and make a list of all the answered prayers**
- **Keep a copy of the “Take It with You” prayer list for in your car or in your purse**
- **You may want to create an additional quick list of family members or friends that you want to lift up in prayer every day.**
- **Urgent Prayer List: for the front of your binder to add time sensitive prayer requests**

Continue to add to your prayer journal as you do your quiet time each day. One step at a time you are building a legacy of prayer and faithfulness for you and your family for generations to come! To God be the glory!