**Grace Apostolic Consecration 2024**

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**CONSECRATION - Persons or things being separated to or belonging to God. They are holy or sacred. They are set apart for the service of God**. **It suggests setting apart and personal sanctification**;

**Theme: Taking Responsibility for My Growth and Development in the Spirit … (I Must Be Intentional)**

**Focus Scriptures:**

Hebrews 5:14 - 14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of **full age**, even those who by **reason of use** have **their senses exercised** to **discern** both good and evil.

Jude 1:20 - 20 But ye, beloved, **building up yourselves** on your most holy faith, **praying in the Holy Ghost,**

**Golden Text:**

2 Chronicles 7:14 - 14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall **humble themselves**, and **pray**, and **seek my face**, and **turn from their wicked ways**; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

**During the Fast Days.**

\* Leadership reads 5 chapters a day and laity read 3 chapters.

\* Leadership prays at least 45 minutes per day and laity pray at least 30 minutes per day

\* 5 to 10 minutes of meditation on the focus Scriptures.

Separation from Movies, TV, social media (Facebook, Instagram, etc.) Separation from entertainment in general. Separate from needless talking and joking. Keep your mind on the Lord.

**Biblical patterns that produce success: God showing up.**

* 1. True **repentance** is required.
	2. True **sacrifice** is required.
	3. True **praise** and **worship** and **faith** is required.

**Prayer and Fasting Focus Areas:**

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| **Week 1** | Pray that souls will be saved and added to the Kingdom of God (especially in the community). Pray for boldness to witness the full gospel of Jesus Christ.  | Pray we have an acceptable fast unto God where He will reveal Himself more and more to us pray for revival and a fresh anointing. Pray that repentance and the fear of God would return to the church. |
| **Week 2** | Pray over government leaders (the President, Vice President, Congress, Judicial System, Governors, Mayors, and officials at the state and local level). Pray that our country would return to God, godly principals and moral values. That the Lord would give repentance, peace and healing to our nation. | Pray that we have right relationship and fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ, our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, and our fellow man. Pray that we develop a deeper relationship and intimacy with God. Pray for the manifestation of fruit and the gifts of the Spirit. |
| **Week 3** | Pray for the Grace Apostolic Church. Pray for our Pastor and GAC Leadership for wisdom and direction from God. Pray for DC, Del, MD Council and PAW. Pray for the upcoming PAW convention. Pray for unity in the body of Christ. | Pray for protection over our children in schools and institutions across the nation. Bind the spirit of gender confusion and over sexualization of our children. Loose truth, righteousness, love, wisdom, and holiness. |
| **Week 4** | Pray for God’s intervention and an end to the on-going violence in our country. Pray against mass shootings. Bind the spirits of violence, fear, anxiety, depression, and oppression. Loose righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. | Pray against RSV, different strands of the Covid Virus. Pray for faith and healing to be manifested to all the sick among our families, saints, friends and others. Pray for comfort and strength for those who have lost loved ones and that God would give them peace. |
| **Week 5** | Pray for the demonstration of the Holy Ghost and Power. Pray for the backslider to return and be restored. | Pray for God’s protection concerning natural disasters. Pray for the nation’s economy and upcoming elections. |
| **Week 6** | Pray over the war in Israel, the people in Gaza and the effect thereof here in the US and around the World. Pray for the war in Ukraine as well; the families, churches, and nations affected. | Pray for the Pastor’s successful retirement and pray for a new Pastor after God’s own heart that will move the church forward in love and unity of the Spirit. |
| **Week 7** | Pray for protection and favor for families. Pray over our children suffering from depression, anxiety, and addiction (especially Fentanyl). | Pray over the Pastor’s vision and that it be embraced by the entire church to Love, Grow, and Serve.  |

**Scriptures Reading Schedule**

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| **Days** | **Leadership** | **Laity** |
| **Week 1** |  |  |
| 1/29/2024 | John 1-3, Galatians 1, 2 | John 1 – 3 |
| 1/30/2024  | John 4 – 6, Galatians 3, 4 | John 4 – 6 |
| 1/31/2024 | John 7 –9, Galatians 5, 6 | John 7 –9 |
| **Week 2** |  |  |
| 2/5/2024 | John 10 – 12, Ephesians 1, 2 | John 10 – 12 |
| 2/6/2024 | John 13 – 15, Ephesians 3, 4 | John 13 – 15 |
| 2/7/2024 | John 16 – 18, Ephesians 5, 6 | John 16 – 18 |
| **Week 3** |  |  |
| 2/12/2024 | John 19 – 21, Philippians 1, 2 | John 19 – 21 |
| 2/13/2024 | Hebrews 1 – 3, Philippians 3, 4 | Hebrews 1 - 3 |
| 2/14/2024 | Hebrews 4 – 6, Colossians 1, 2 | Hebrews 4 – 6 |
| **Week 4** |  |  |
| 2/19/2024 | Hebrews 7 – 9, Colossians 3, 4 | Hebrews 7 – 9 |
| 2/20/2024 | Hebrews 10 – 12, 1 Thessalonians 1, 2 | Hebrews 10 – 12 |
| 2/21/2024 | Hebrews 13, Psa 51, 91 1 Thessalonians 3, 4 | Hebrews 13, Psa 51, 91 |
| **Week 5** |  |  |
| 2/26/2024 | Psa 118 – Acts 1 – 2, 1 Thessalonians 5, 2 Thessalonians 1 | Ps 118, Acts 1 - 2 |
| 2/27/2024 | Acts 3 – 5, 2 Thessalonians 2, 3 | Acts 3 - 5 |
| 2/28/2024 | Acts 6 – 8, 1 Timothy 1, 2  | Acts 6 – 8 |
| **Week 6** |  |  |
| 3/4/2024 | Acts 9 – 11, 1 Timothy 3, 1 John 1 | Acts 9 – 11 |
| 3/5/2024 | Acts 12 – 14, 1 John 2, 3 | Acts 12 – 14 |
| 3/6/2024 | Acts 15 – 17, 1 John 4, 5 | Acts 15 – 17 |
| **Week 7**  |  |  |
| 3/11/2024 | Acts 18 – 20, James 1, 2 | Acts 18 – 20 |
| 3/12/2024 | Acts 21 – 23, James 3, 4 | Acts 21 – 23 |
| 3/13/2024**Communion service** | Acts 24 – 26, James 5, Jude | Acts 24 - 26 |

**Supporting scriptures for Biblical patterns that produce success**

**True repentance is required**

Isaiah 55:6-7

6 Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: 7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

1 Kings 21:27-29

27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly. 28 And the word of the Lord came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, 29 Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: but in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.

**True sacrifice is required. You have to show Jesus that you want Him.**

1 Chronicles 21:24-27

24 And king David said to Ornan, Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take that which is thine for the Lord, nor offer burnt offerings without cost. 25 So David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight. 26 And David built there an altar unto the Lord, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon the Lord; and he answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering. 27 And the Lord commanded the angel; and he put up his sword again into the sheath thereof.

2 Chronicles 5:6

6 Also king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel that were assembled unto him before the ark, sacrificed sheep and oxen, which could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

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2 Chronicles 5:13-14

13 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the Lord, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the Lord; 14 So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God.

Psalms 51:17

17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit:

a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

**True praise and worship are required**

1 Thessalonians 5:18

18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

John 4:23-24

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. 24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.