



## Guidelines for Prayer Meetings:

1. Open with appropriate Scripture to bring focus and faith to the prayer meeting.
2. Consider worship and prayers of thanksgiving early in the prayer meeting with which to enter God's presence.
3. Provide object(s) for prayer focus for all or a portion of the prayer meeting.
4. Encourage all present to consider taking part as the Holy Spirit inspires them. This is a "corporate" prayer meeting. Silent prayer can be done in private.
5. Encourage the more mature Christians to take the lead.
6. Prayers should be short. Long prayers make it difficult for those present to stay in agreement. This is a "corporate" prayer meeting.
7. Each participant should pray for one object at a time, following the theme expressed in the previous prayer...no pin-ball praying.
8. A change in direction of prayer should be gradual and/or directed by leadership.
9. There should not be long periods of silence.
10. Prayers should be offered in the warmth of the Spirit (Finney) and at a volume everyone present can easily hear so they can agree.