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Day 1 • Monday, Oct 19: When the News Breaks Your Heart

Read: Nehemiah 1:1–4

Reflect: Nehemiah was safe, comfortable, and hundreds of miles away. He could have heard the report about Jerusalem, felt bad for a minute, and gone back to work. Instead he sat down and wept. Make Room doesn't start with a building. It starts with a church that can't stay comfortable while people around us are far from God.

Pray:

- God, break my heart for what breaks Yours.
- Show me the people in my life who are far from You, by name.
- Keep us from getting comfortable with a church that's "big enough."

Go Deeper: When was the last time something in your community moved you to tears or to prayer? What might God be trying to show you through it?

With Your Kids: Ask, "Who do you know that doesn't know Jesus yet?" Pray for one of those people together.

Day 2 • Tuesday, Oct 20: Prayer Comes First

Read: Nehemiah 1:5–11

Reflect: Nehemiah's first move was prayer. He praised God, owned his own part in the brokenness, reminded God of His promises, and asked for favor. Only after all that did he walk into the king's court. Before we ask anyone to give, serve, or build, we're asking God to lead.

Pray:

- For our church to be known as a praying church before we're known for a new building.
- For humility. This is God's house and God's mission, not ours.
- For our Lead Pastor and leadership team, that they would lead from prayer and not pressure.

Go Deeper: Nehemiah prays God's own promises back to Him (1:8–9). Find one promise in Scripture and pray it over Purpose Church this week.

With Your Kids: Before a meal today, let your kids pray for their church.

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Day 3 • Wednesday, Oct 21: Who Are We Missing?

Read: Nehemiah 2:11–16

Reflect: Nehemiah went out at night and walked the whole wall. He wanted to see every gap with his own eyes before he said a word. Some of the people we're missing are easy to spot, and some we've never noticed. Right now there are 30,000 people within 30 minutes of our church who aren't connected to any church. Each one of them has a name.

Pray:

- For our neighbors, coworkers, and friends who have given up on church.
- For the people who have never been invited.
- For eyes to see the gaps we've walked past a hundred times.

Go Deeper: Take a slow drive or walk through your neighborhood this week and pray for each street as you go.

With Your Kids: On the way to school or practice, pick a house and pray for the family who lives there.

Day 4 • Thursday, Oct 22: The Next Generation

Read: Psalm 78:4–7

Reflect: Nehemiah was rebuilding a city for his grandchildren as much as for himself. Our schools are full of kids and teenagers carrying pressure, anxiety, and questions nobody is answering. Some of them will meet Jesus in a classroom or youth room that doesn't exist yet.

Pray:

- For the schools in our community: students, teachers, coaches, bus drivers, and administrators.
- For the kids and students who are lonely, anxious, or unseen.
- For the next generation to find a place at Purpose where they're known and disciplined.

Go Deeper: Who invested in your faith when you were young? Thank God for them, and ask Him who you could invest in now.

With Your Kids: Pray for their teacher and one friend in their class by name.





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Day 5 • Friday, Oct 23: The Ones Who Drive

Read: Nehemiah 1:8–9

Reflect: God promised to gather His people from far away and bring them home. Every Sunday, people drive up to 45 minutes to be part of this church. That tells us something: God is doing something here that reaches beyond our zip code. It also tells us there are towns all around us that need the same hope.

Pray:

- For the families who make that drive every week. Thank God for their faithfulness.
- For the towns they come from, and for the people there who don't know Jesus.
- For each of us to see our commute, our street, and our town as a mission field.

Go Deeper: Where did God first "gather" you? Write down the story of how you ended up in church.

With Your Kids: Look at a map together and pray for a few towns around where you live.

Day 6 • Saturday, Oct 24: A Place for the Broken

Read: Psalm 147:2–3

Reflect: This psalm was sung over a rebuilt Jerusalem. God builds up the city, gathers the outcasts, and heals the brokenhearted, all in the same breath. That's what a church building is for. It's a place where people who are hurting, ashamed, or starting over can walk in and find out they're wanted.

Pray:

- For people walking through addiction, divorce, grief, or depression to find healing and community.
- For anyone who thinks, "Church isn't for someone like me."
- That Purpose would always be a safe place to not be okay.

Go Deeper: Read Luke 15:1–7. Who are the "one" in our community that God is still going after?

With Your Kids: Talk about a time someone was kind to you when you were sad. Pray for someone who's sad right now.



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Day 7 · Sunday, Oct 25: Let Us Rise Up and Build

Read: Nehemiah 2:17–20

Reflect: Once Nehemiah had seen the need, he told the people. Their answer was simple: "Let us rise up and build." He didn't promise it would be easy. He promised something better: "The God of heaven will make us prosper." Today we gather to ask the next question: what's my part?

Pray:

- For open hearts in every service today.
- For our Lead Pastor as he preaches.
- For our church to say "let's build" together, as one family.

Go Deeper: What's one thing you sensed from God this week? Share it with someone at church today.

With Your Kids: Before church, ask them to pray for someone who will be at church for the very first time today.

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