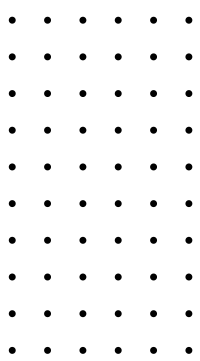
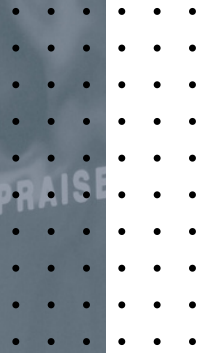




**THE CHURCH OF
GARDEN VALLEY**



PRAYER

Focused Conversations With God
Playbook



WELCOME TO THE DREAM TEAM

TCOGV has a heart for serving God, one another, and our community. We are so excited that you want to be part of that by joining our Dream Team! We are all called to serve like Jesus did and it is an honor to connect with each other through our obedience to serve. Our Dream Team is always excited to give their time, talent, and treasure into our immediate community and the community around us. We do not make light of serving, and always view it as an opportunity to be Jesus with skin on. We believe connecting with each person who steps on our campus is an opportunity to share the message of hope found in Christ.

Colossians 3:23 says “Put your heart and soul into every activity you do, as though you are doing it for the Lord himself and not merely for others.” This is the attitude we bring to our Dream Team. We understand that what we do matters. What we do builds the Kingdom of God, and spreads the love of Christ to those we serve. Whatever we do, we do for His glory. We don’t have to do this; we get to do this!

We believe as we fix our eyes on Jesus, and serve with all our hearts, the most ordinary tasks become acts of worship to God! This Playbook has been created to help you with any questions you might have and to instruct you in some of our procedures and responsibilities. We want you to feel prepared and excited as you join our Dream Team! We want you to know how thankful we are for you. Welcome to the Dream Team and don’t forget...we GET to do this!

Brad Williams
Executive Pastor of Spiritual Life



OUR MISSION

Real People. Real Problems.
Real Promises. Real Purpose.

OUR CORE VALUES

We Passionately Pursue God
We Give Generously
We Love Endlessly
We Change Our World

DREAM TEAM MENTALITY: TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK!

I will **SET** the atmosphere of our church

- By living out the cultural values
- By protecting the unity of our church
- By doing the best you can with what you have

I will **SHARE** the responsibility of our church

- By being committed to its growth through prayer and action
- By inviting people to church
- By attending church with a “them” mindset rather than a “me” mindset
- By finding ways to involve other people

I will **SERVE** the ministry of our church

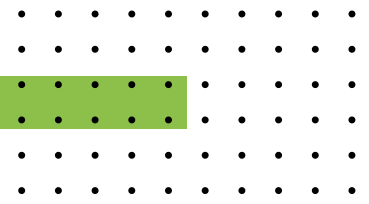
- By never being too big to serve
- By leading by example
- By developing a servant’s heart

I will **SUPPORT** the mission of our church

- By attending church faithfully
- By living a Godly life
- By giving regularly

In addition to a winning mentality, we must also have the right people in the right place. A team may call the perfect play but if the wrong people are on the field or in the wrong spot, it does not matter. We must get the right people in the right place.

Prayer Playbook



The Win

Focused conversations with God, invoking God’s love and power through prayer to minister to God, people, and His creation.

We do this by:

- Preparing our hearts through private prayer, confessing and being cleansed of sin, including any unforgiveness and lurking pride or arrogance.
- Asking the Holy Spirit to guide our prayers.
- Praying in the Spirit, speaking to God through the power of His Holy Spirit.
- Hearing what God is saying and praying what He says in agreement with fellow prayer partners.
- Being keenly aware of our spiritual enemies and “Armor Up.”
- Praying on behalf of another person or group of people, including a nation and the world.
- Praying for the sick and needy, believing that the prayer of faith will save the sick and help the needy.
- Interceding in spiritual warfare, praying with discernment and authority by knowing and praying the Word of God.

The Way

- Emphasize use of the “Submit a Prayer Request” website and pray privately in response to requests received by email from the Planning Center.
- Participate in Pre-Service Prayer on Sundays led by Prayer Moderators, inviting God’s Manifest Presence and Power at each Service, requesting salvations, healings, miracles, and lives changed.
- During Sunday Services times of worship, be ready if called by the Worship Leader to pray for healings.
- When called by the Pastor during an End of Sermon Altar Call for All Prayer Needs, immediately come to the front to pray for people.
- If a person of the opposite sex needs to discuss a prayer request involving personal intimate issues, politely excuse yourself and have a Prayer Partner of matching sex replace you.
- Attend Weekly Prayer Meetings on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00PM in the Sanctuary.
- Provide collaborative Prayer Ministry support to other TCOGV Ministries.
- Support and participate in local and national prayer ministries and share timely prayer information with TCOGV Prayer Ministry Coordinator.

The Deets

Communication: Please maintain up-to-date contact information in Planning Center. If you need help with a change, communicate with the Prayer Ministry Worship Coordinator. If you receive a special event scheduling request, respond at least 10-days before the requested date. Communicate as soon as possible if you cannot honor a special event scheduling request.

Scheduling: We ask each Prayer Ministry Dream Teamer to sign-up and participate on Sundays in at least one of three 30-minute Pre-Service Prayer times and also sign-up and participate in the Altar Prayer Calls for one of the three weekly Sunday Services. If your schedule permits, we strongly encourage everyone to attend and invite others to the Weekly Prayer Meetings on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00PM in the Sanctuary. Other Weekly Group Prayer times are being pursued to accommodate more Prayer Partner schedule constraints.

For special events, the Prayer Ministry Coordinator will send out scheduling requests 2-4 weeks in advance, with a reminder sent before your scheduled day to serve. Quarterly "All-Hands" Prayer Ministry Dream Team meetings will be scheduled to share prayer warrior insights and engage in focused prayer and supplication on relevant priority topics.

Attire: If participating in an Altar Prayer Ministry Team, you will be called to stand in the front of the Sanctuary. Keep all clothing modest and in good taste. Ensure you have a "How Can I Pray?" lanyard on at all times when serving on an Altar Prayer Ministry Team.

Recruiting: We love welcoming new people of ALL AGES to the Prayer Ministry Dream Team! Encourage others to join you on the dream team and ask them to sign up.

Additional Information: Pre-service Prayer Teams meet in the Pre-Service Prayer Room.



Coordinator Expectations

Coordinator

- Responsible for upholding all the roles and responsibilities as well as the leadership of the Host Team. This means praying for your team and staying in communication with the Executive Pastor of Spiritual Life on upcoming services and sharing vision with the Prayer Ministry Team.

Scheduling (Special Events or Circumstances)

- Is responsible to assist with scheduling all Dream Teamers and Team Leads (Prayer Moderators) 2-4 weeks in advance in Planning Center Online.
- Is responsible to communicate and follow-up with Team Leads (Prayer Moderators) when schedule notifications are sent and to encourage all Dream Teamers to accept or decline invitations to serve in Planning Center Online in a timely manner.
- Is to handle scheduling conflicts as reported by Dream Teamers and fill positions of declined Dream Teamers 2-4 weeks in advance.
- Is to notify of scheduling changes 2-4 weeks in advance of the Sunday or special event led by the Team Lead {Prayer Moderator}.
- Will provide support to the Team Lead {Prayer Moderator} in filling “no show” positions.

Communication

- Coordinates use of “Submit a Prayer Request” form on our website and Prayer Ministry Dream Teamer support.
- Coordinates prayer ministry support for leadership and other Dream Team Ministries.
- Supports and participates in local and national prayer ministries and shares timely prayer information with the Prayer Ministry Dream Teamers.
- The Prayer Ministry Coordinator shall report directly to the Executive Pastor of Spiritual Life.
- The Coordinator is to be proactive in communicating any supply needs, training questions, help needed for conflict resolution, and communicating all meetings to leadership and Dream Teamers.

Training

- Is responsible to host periodic training as needed.
- Promotes the ministry enthusiastically and actively recruits new Dream Teamers and identifies possible candidates for Team Lead {Prayer Moderator}.
- Is to follow-up with all Dream Teamer applicants to begin the onboarding process.
- Communicates the roles and responsibilities of the Dream Teamer. This should be done during the onboarding period for new recruits and ongoing as needed.

Team Lead Expectations

Team Leads {Prayer Moderators}

- Are responsible to uphold all the roles and responsibilities of moderating the Dream Team on Sundays.

Scheduling

- Ensure the Dream Team you are moderating is confirmed and ready to serve by sending text reminders to the Dream Teamer by the Friday before the Sunday Service.

Communication and Expectations

- Maintain ministry standards & guidelines found in Dream Team Playbooks; Such as mission, values, dress code, etc. Provide quality control of the prayer ministry experience on Sunday morning. Available to assist Dream Teamers if they have questions.
- Are responsible to oversee any newly onboarded Dream Teamer on Sunday morning. Ensure all new Altar Ministry Dream Teamers are assigned a person to shadow, and have all that they need to be successful when they serve.
- Team Leads {Prayer Moderators} should also promote the ministry enthusiastically and actively recruit new Dream Teamers.

