

PRAYER GUIDE

As you seek to decide which opportunity to apply for, trust and act in faith according to James 1:5 that “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given to him.” Deciding which Short Term Trip to apply for or what to do this summer, next year, or for the next two years can be a hard decision, and we want to help you make a wise decision. Remember, first, that you already know what God is calling you to first and foremost each day: to be with him, to abide in him, to be satisfied in him! Flowing from your “being with Jesus,” Christ has called us all, as his disciples, to make disciples of all nations.

Therefore, you already know before you even ask for wisdom that you are called to be with Jesus, and make disciples. As you seek to be a disciple who makes disciples, here is a short guide to help you determine how, when, and where God is calling you to serve!

5 Practical Ways To Make A Decision:

1. **WORD:** Commit to hearing from the Word in this decision.
2. **PRAYER:** Commit to pray regularly about this decision asking God to give you wisdom.
3. **COMMUNITY:** Get advice and feedback from Godly people around you. Ask questions like...
 - Can they see you doing this?
 - What do they think your strengths and weaknesses are?
 - If they think you are making decisions based on God or your idols and fears?
4. **COUNT THE COST:** Make a list of pros and cons asking yourself which opportunity in front of you will best equip you to be a disciple who is making disciples.
5. **TRUST:** Based on your time in the Word, in prayer, in discussion with others who know you, and time spent counting the costs, trust God and make a decision.

7-Day Prayer Guide:

Commit to take the next week to take intentional time to read the Word, reflect in prayer, and respond through conversations with others and recording your thoughts. Allow this guide to help you.

READ: First, look at one verse each day for at least 10 minutes. Ask God to speak to you.

REFLECT: Second, ask yourself, “What does this passage say about what it looks like to believe in Jesus and follow Jesus?”

RESPOND: Third, ask yourself, “Am I am functionally living as Jesus as my Lord and is my “Yes” On the Table?”

- Matthew 9:35-38
- John 6:35
- Matthew 6:19-21
- Psalms 37:4
- 2 Corinthians 4:18
- John 10:10
- Luke 6:46-49