

Team Prayer Practices Assessment

This is a simple way to get a snapshot of each team member's perspective on how your team engages with certain prayer practices together. Before responding with a number just think through your actual experience on THIS team over the last several months. Consider the descriptions given for each practice. Be as honest as possible as you rate the team. This tool will help the team have a baseline to build upon.

Here are guidelines for the meaning of each number:

- 6 = Already a strong practice
- 5 = Fairly consistently
- 4 = We try, just not intentionally enough
- 3 = Very erratic
- 2 = On a rare occasion
- 1 = Never have or has been on our radar to my recollection

Dwelling Together

Teams simply come together to abide or linger in the presence of God through worship, silence, stillness and rest. (Psalm 46; Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-37)

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Discernment

Dwelling together in prayer to seek, give space and sometimes wait for God's leading in order to make careful, Spirit-informed decisions. (1 Chronicles 12:32; Proverbs 3:5-6; John 5:19; 1 Corinthians 2:11-16; 1 John 4:4; Revelation 2 - 3...*we need 'ears to hear'*)

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Confession

Dwelling together in prayer to surrender to the Spirit's conviction about our sin and restore our joy with Christ. Repenting or returning to the center of being aligned with God's will. (2 Chronicles 7:14; Isaiah 58:1-12; Joel 2:12-17; Matthew 3:8; 2 Corinthians 7:9-11; 1 John 1:9)

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Intercession

Interceding on behalf of each other, kids, donors, community needs. Crying out for the Lord to intervene according to His unfailing faithful purposes. (Ezekiel 22:30; Romans 8:26; Ephesians 6:18; 1 Peter 4:7)

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Warfare

Interceding together to boldly contend against the scheming forces of evil, the lies of the enemy which seek to divide, disrupt and destroy leaders and their ministries. Praying for protection for leaders and freedom for the captives. (2 Kings 6:8-17; Mark 11:20-24; Ephesians 6:10-18)

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Covering

Interceding together at a planned set aside longer prayer time ahead of a large event/gathering/effort to ask God to protect all the moving parts, empower us for particular tasks, fortify our resolve to prevail and multiply fruit. (2 Kings 19:8-19; Jeremiah 29:11-14; Psalm 91; Acts 4:23-31)

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Celebration

Team gathers to praise the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, thanking God for His mighty works and ensuring that He alone receives glory. An intentional time of praise, maybe even a party! (2 Chronicles 5:11-14; 20:21-22; Acts 16:25-34; Romans 11:36-12:1; Revelation 7:9-12)

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Make some observations about doing this exercise: