

UPWARD 100 DAYS OF PRAYER

DAY DATE PRAY FOR

- 1 12/11 A peaceful and serving spirit among all involved
- 2 12/12 The planning, organization, and administration of the 2016 season
- 3 12/13 Good, fair teams to be drafted
- 4 12/14 All new and returning players and their families
- 5 12/15 Children to encourage friends to participate
- 6 12/16 Our partnerships with East Brandywine, Exton, Goshen, & Hopewell
- 7 12/17 Scholarships to be available for those who cannot afford to play
- 8 12/18 The open leadership positions: prayer commissioner, boys grades 2 & 4-5 league commissioners, girls grades 1-2 league commissioner
- 9 12/19 Consistent prayer among prayer partners
- 10 12/20 Our Prayer Commissioner - (open - Ray Bruner acting)
- 11 12/21 Carpools to work out
- 12 12/22 Practice times to work out
- 13 12/23 Coaches and assistant coaches to volunteer for the open positions to serve our Upward families
- 14 12/24 Praise and thanks for the greatest gift of all - eternal life through Jesus Christ
- 15 12/25 Our Coach Commissioner - Dave Kolonauski
- 16 12/26 Referees to volunteer and serve our Upward families
- 17 12/27 Our Referee Commissioner - John Helmbrecht
- 18 12/28 Last few coaching positions to be filled
- 19 12/29 Our Upward Director Ray Bruner and Co-Director Dave Kolonauski
- 20 12/30 Our Cheerleading and League Commissioners Marcie Witmer and Stephanie Mercury
- 21 12/31 Coaches to contact their players
- 22 1/1 Referee Training
- 23 1/2 New Coach Training
- 24 1/3 All Upward players and family members attending games to approach each game day as a personal Evangelism opportunity (Matthew 28:18)
- 25 1/4 Meet Your Coach Nights & first week of practices to be a good experience
- 26 1/5 Our Kindergarten League Commissioner - Rich Roberts
- 27 1/6 Our Boys Grade 1 League Commissioner - Sandy Bruton
- 28 1/7 Game Day Halftime Devotion speakers to volunteer and serve our Upward families
- 29 1/8 Our Halftime Commissioner - Nancy Bruner
- 30 1/9 Meet Your Coach Day for Kindergarten & second practice for grades 1-8 to be a good experience
- 31 1/10 **Virtue:** RESPECT - Showing others they are important by what you say and do.
Scripture Verse: *Show proper respect to everyone.* 1 Peter 2:17 (a) (NirV)
Pray: God, thanks for this great reminder about showing respect. We love You, and we want You to know how much we respect You! Help us to follow through and show respect this week to the people who are in charge of us. We know that when we respect those in charge that we're also showing You respect too because You are the One who put them in charge. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.
- 32 1/11 Children to understand the most important part of practice is devotion time and to learn about God's plan for each of them
- 33 1/12 Children to listen and want to learn
- 34 1/13 Coaches and parents to begin good relationships
- 35 1/14 Our Girls Grades 1-2 League Commissioner - (open)
- 36 1/15 All believers in Christ to share the gospel message to non-believers on game days
- 37 1/16 **(First game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 38 1/17 Our Girls Grades 3-4 League Commissioner - Chris Andrychowski
- 39 1/18 Heavenly Father, You are an awesome God. There is no one like You. You are the one true God and the only one worthy of our respect and praise. We want everyone around us to see You for who You really are—a mighty God who loves us more than we could ever imagine. Thank You for loving us, God, and for giving us the opportunity to know You. We love You, and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen. (1 Peter 2:17a)

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- 40 1/19 Moms and dads to encourage players, cheerleaders, coaches, and referees
- 41 1/20 The witness of coaches at home and at work
- 42 1/21 A spirit of sportsmanship among parents
- 43 1/22 Preparation of the hearts of those who will hear the gospel
- 44 **1/23 (Second game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 45 1/24 Our Boys Grade 2 League Commissioner - Jim Hallinan
- 46 1/25 Dear God, thanks for reminding us that our words have the power to help or hurt. We want to be careful with the things we say because You created and love every person and that means that each person deserves our respect. Help our words be pleasing and honoring to You so that we can show respect to others. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen. (1 Peter 2:17a)
- 47 1/26 and be thankful for all of our players
- 48 1/27 and be thankful for all of our coaches and referees
- 49 1/28 and be thankful for all of our parents
- 50 1/29 Spiritual growth of coaches and referees
- 51 **1/30 (Third game day) Those giving devotions today, team picture day, and post game party**
- 52 1/31 Our Boys Grade 3 League Commissioner - Chris McHenry
- 53 2/1 **Virtue:** GRATITUDE - Letting others know you see how they've helped you.
Scripture Verse: *Give thanks no matter what happens. God wants you to thank him because you believe in Christ Jesus.* 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NirV)
Pray: Dear God, thanks for reminding us today just how much we have to be grateful for. It's so easy for us to get caught up all the stuff that goes wrong and completely forget all that we really have to be grateful for. Help us to remember that gratitude is a choice. Thanks for sending Jesus as our greatest gift. It's in His name that we ask these things. Amen.
- 54 2/2 Developing the character of every child by helping them grow as Jesus did: spiritually, physically, emotionally and socially
- 55 2/3 Spiritual growth of parents
- 56 2/4 Opportunities to invite non Christian families to our church
- 57 2/5 Coaches to positively impact the lives of players and their families
- 58 **2/6 (Fourth game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 59 2/7 Our Boys Grades 4-5 League Commissioner - Dave Harper
- 60 2/8 Dear God, we love You. Thank You for the players on this team and for the opportunity we have to play hard and work together on the court. Help us to remember that our attitude is a big part of whether or not we show gratitude. We know there is always something to be thankful for, so help us to take the time to adjust our attitude when we need to. Thanks for loving us and for providing all that we need. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)
- 61 2/9 The season to be a blessing to Calvary and the community
- 62 2/10 The season to be a blessing to Goshen and the community
- 63 2/11 The season to be a blessing to Hopewell & East Brandywine and the community
- 64 2/12 The season to be a blessing to Exton and the community
- 65 **2/13 (Fifth game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 66 2/14 Our Boys Grades 6-8 League Commissioner - Michael Santilli
- 67 2/15 Dear God, thanks for reminding us today that it's not enough to simply feel gratitude. We have to express it through our words. Just like we love to hear those two simple words, the people around us need to hear them too. Remind us of the power of "thank you" this week. We want to show gratitude this week and let others know that we see how they've helped us. Thanks, God, for loving us—even when we forget to tell You how grateful we are. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)
- 68 2/16 Enthusiasm to remain high
- 69 2/17 All Christians to use their God-Given gifts
- 70 2/18 All volunteers to grow in Christ

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- 71 2/19 The Lord will give the Upward team the wisdom and the words that will have the greatest impact on his Kingdom
- 72 **2/20 (Sixth game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 73 2/21 Our Girls Grades 5-8 League Commissioner - Dave Norwood
- 74 2/22 **Virtue:** TRUST - Putting your confidence in someone you can depend on.
Scripture Verse: *Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on your own understanding.*
Proverbs 3:5 (NIRV)
Pray: Heavenly Father, we know that You are a great big God. We know that You created us because You love us and want a relationship with us. We can trust that You have the best plans in store for each of our lives. Help us to spend time with You, to read the Bible and to hang out with friends who love You too so that we can grow closer to You. Help us to see the plans You have in store for each of us. Help us to trust You every day. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.
- 75 2/23 All children to grow in Christ
- 76 2/24 Coaches and commissioners to view conflicts as ministry opportunities
- 77 2/25 Parents who are not currently serving in Upward to get in the game
- 78 2/26 Those without a church home would find one
- 79 **2/27 (Seventh game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 80 2/28 New friendships to continue to thrive after the season
- 81 2/29 Heavenly Father, we know that You are the great big God. We know that You love us and have a good plan for each of our lives. When we face something that scares us, help us to stop and talk to You. Remind us that You are with us, always. Remind us that You are bigger than our fears. Remind us of Your great love for us. We trust that we can depend on You in every situation. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen. (Proverbs 3:5)
- 82 3/1 Our church facilities teams
- 83 3/2 Our church ministerial staff
- 84 3/3 Families of our ministers
- 85 3/4 The witness of players at home and school
- 86 **3/5 (Eighth game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 87 3/6 Preparations for a week of Season Celebrations
- 88 3/7 God, it's amazing to think that You are big enough to hear from each one of us, even as we all pray at the same time about so many different things. We know that You have everything under control and You already know how each of these problems will work out. Help us to trust You with our problems and believe that You are bigger than anything we might face. We love You, God. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen. (Proverbs 3:5)
- 89 3/8 All to trust God and not rely on our own thoughts and feelings
- 90 3/9 Players' moms and dads
- 91 3/10 Players with tough family lives
- 92 3/11 Promoting Salvation by putting ones trust solely in the finished work of Christ on the cross
- 93 **3/12 (Final game day) Those giving devotions today**
- 94 3/13 **You are part of God's Big Story!**
Scripture Verse: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)
Pray:
Dear Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and I need a savior. I believe you took my place and died on the cross for my sins. I ask you to please forgive me for my sins. Come into my life and help me start living for you. Thank you, Jesus. Amen.
- If you just prayed that prayer, we are so excited for you! We would like to know who you are by asking you to tell us (upward@cfdowningtown.com) before the season is over. We would like to follow up with you.
- 95 3/14 Kindergarten children and their families

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96 3/15 Grades 1-3 children and their families

97 3/16 Grades 4-5 children and their families

98 3/17 Grades 6-8 children and their families

99 3/18 Our follow-up team and wisdom for the Upward leadership team when evaluating the season

100 **3/19** Dear God, thank you for an awesome season! Thank you for teaching us about Respect, Gratitude, and Trust. Thank you for sending your son Jesus for each one of us. And thank you for reminding us today that You will always forgive us when we mess up. You are incredible! In Jesus' name, we pray, amen.