



40 DAYS OF AGREEMENT

Feb. 18th – Apr. 3rd

Ivy's 40 Days of Consecration



CONNECTING WITH ONE ANOTHER IN CHRIST!

The 40-Day Consecration is a time of preparation and devotion to God.

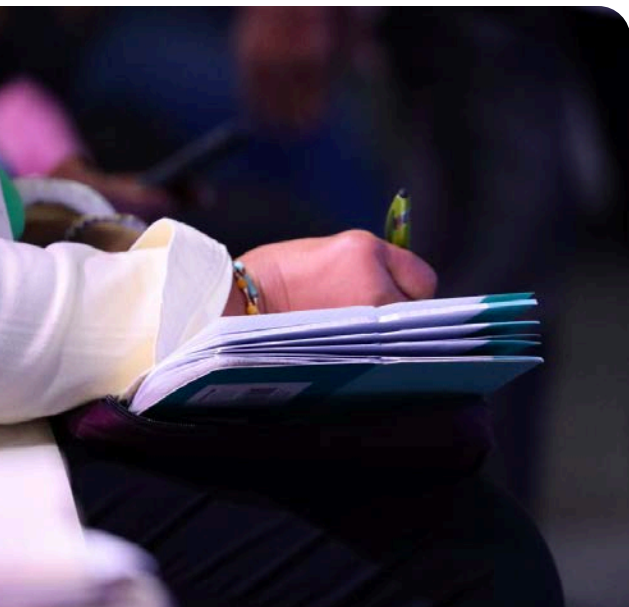
Why 40 Days? It's Lenten Season.

The 40 days prior to Resurrection Sunday (Easter) is commonly known as the Lenten Season or Lent. Lent starts with Ash Wednesday (February 18, 2026) and ends on Good Friday (April 3, 2026). The purpose of the Lenten season is to reflect on the sacrifices of Christ as we get closer to the day Christ was crucified followed by His resurrection. Jesus came to the Earth to die for our sins so that we (mankind) could regain the LIFE that mankind once had prior to sin entering the world.



Matthew 18:19 NIV

Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on Earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.



FOCAL POINTS

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Reading God's Word

Commit to a daily bible reading plan during the 40 day consecration.

Download Ivy's daily reading plan on our [website](#) or [REALM](#) to join others in our daily readings. Or create your own plan that addresses your specific needs.

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Prayer

Prayer is a NECESSITY to connect us with God. God DESIRES that His children pray! ([1 Thessalonians 5:17](#)). We can't live in AGREEMENT without a CONSISTENT prayer life...both privately and corporately!

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES DURING CONSECRATION

- **Each Friday** during the 40 day Consecration there will be a time of Corporate Reflection/Prayer at 12:00 pm starting February 20th.
 - **Zoom Option** - Meeting ID: 757 244 5004
 - **Dial-In Option** - Call (312) 626-6799, then enter the Meeting ID: 757 244 5004
- **Each Sunday** Ivy offers in-person Corporate Prayer at 9:30 am at the church.
- There may be a **"pop-up prayer moment"** during the 40 Day consecration. This is an impromptu time that Pastor Swann may call everyone to come to the church just to pray.

LACK OF PRAYER = NOT LIVING IN AGREEMENT!



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Quiet Devotional Time

The 40 day Consecration is about eliminating as many distractions as possible to focus on the Lord. This would include but is not limited to: Social Media, shopping, how we start and end our days, television, internet and much more. Pray for what you are willing to sacrifice for 40 days so that you can get the FULL benefits of the 40 Day Consecration.

The goal is at least 30 minutes per day with NO INTERRUPTIONS—PRIVATE QUALITY TIME WITH GOD.

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Fasting

If you desire to have a better spiritual connection with God, then incorporate fasting during this season. It will help you recognize areas of repentance, hear God’s voice, obey with certainty, begin to know His will for your life spiritually. Fasting also helps if you have a specific need or desire for a breakthrough or healing ([Mark 9:29](#)).

Every Wednesday will be our corporate fasting days as a church family. You can also fast on other days as you desire. Be prayerful about how you will fast and the type of fast you will do (absolute, partial, Daniel, etc.).

QUESTIONS ABOUT FASTING?

Sis. Angela Jones will be available to answer any questions about fasting.

By Text - Text the Fasting Helpline at 833-405-7774
Each Friday after the noonday prayer call

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Sister Angela Jones

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The 5 C's for 2026

Reflect on each of the 5 C's to see where you are strongest and where you need to improve

1. We're Better Together because we are a **COMMUNITY** of believers not just a church. ([Acts 2:42-47](#))
2. We're Better Together because of our **CONNECTION**; one body, many members. ([1 Corinthians 12:12-20](#))
3. We're Better Together because of our **COVENANT** agreement with Christ. ([Matthew 18:19-20](#))
4. We're Better Together because we can **CARRY** each other's burdens. ([Galatians 6:2](#))
5. We're Better Together because we can build spiritual **CHARACTER** ([Proverbs 27:17](#))



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Connecting with Others

We CANNOT operate in the power of AGREEMENT if there is unforgiveness, a lack of reconciliation and fractured relationships. The enemy uses these to KEEP BELIEVERS APART. Use this 40 day Consecration to MEND, HEAL and DEVELOP key relationships in your life.



SEVEN WEEKLY AGREEMENTS



During the 40-Day Consecration, we believe there is undeniable Godly power when we move in agreement ([Matthew 18:19-20](#)).

Each week, we will align ourselves with a specific spiritual outcome, trusting that as we collectively pray, fast, and hold one another accountable to these agreements, the Lord will manifest His presence in a major way.

> WEEK 1

February 18-24, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL CLARITY**
(*Knowing and hearing CLEARLY from God*)

How is this accomplished? We will seek God intentionally each day and commit to replacing the time we would eat or indulge with prayer, scripture and quiet reflection ([Jeremiah 29:13](#)).

> WEEK 2

February 25-March 3, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL AUTHENTICITY**
(*Being true to God vs pleasing others*)

How is this accomplished? We will live for God with humility, not performance. We will not boast, compare, or seek attention, but will keep our focus on God alone. ([Matthew 6:16-18](#))

SEVEN WEEKLY AGREEMENTS CONTINUED

> WEEK 3

March 4–March 10, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL MATURITY**
(*The Fruit of the Spirit being more evident in my life*)

How is this accomplished? We will guard our hearts, words, and attitude. We commit to walking in patience, kindness, and self-control, especially when we feel discomfort. ([Galatians 5:22–23](#))

> WEEK 4

March 11–March 17, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT**
(*The Holy Spirit leading us into ALL truth*)

How is this accomplished? We will remain sensitive and obedient to the Holy Spirit. We will listen for God’s direction and respond in obedience when He convicts, corrects, or leads us. ([John 16:13](#))

> WEEK 5

March 18–March 24, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL RESTORATION**
(*Making our HEARTS and relationships whole again*)

How is this accomplished? We will practice repentance and forgiveness. We will allow God to search our hearts, confess sins, release offense, and forgive others freely. ([Psalm 51:10](#) and [Matthew 6:14–15](#))

SEVEN WEEKLY AGREEMENTS CONTINUED

> WEEK 6

March 25–March 31, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL STEWARDSHIP**
(*We honor God with our BODIES*)

How is this accomplished? We will be intentional in what and/or who we allow inside our bodies. We also will be more aware of what comes from our bodies (thoughts, words and actions). ([1 Corinthians 6:19-20](#))

> WEEK 7

April 1–April 3, 2026

We agree for **SPIRITUAL CONFIDENCE**
(*COMPLETELY trusting God with the outcome*)

How is this accomplished? We will expect God's presence, not demand His outcomes. We commit to trusting God with the results above our anxieties, fears and uncertainties. ([Hebrews 11:6](#))

TRACKING MY AGREEMENT

Use this section to mark each week you intentionally aligned yourself with our agreements through prayer, fasting, and reflection. Let this serve as a reminder that spiritual growth happens through consistent obedience and God's presence manifests through AGREEMENT.

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PERSONAL PRAYER TARGETS

The 40 Day Consecration is a GREAT time to see God move in your own life! When you pray for something, please keep in mind:

1. **Pray according to the WILL of God!** What you desire and what is God's will may be two different things! ([1John 5:14-15](#))
2. **Unconfessed sins hinder your prayers!** Be HONEST with God! Don't try to "hide" what is not in His will. He ALREADY knows! ([1John 1:9](#))
3. **Pray with FAITH.** If you are going to pray for something, first BELIEVE with all of your heart that God can do it! ([Mark 11:24](#))

MY 40-DAY PRAYER REQUESTS

What do you need God to do for you, your family? How do you need God to help you live in the power of AGREEMENT?

Be SPECIFIC in your prayer requests. Write it down and make it plain to help you see God moving/answering your prayers during or after the fast.



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SHARE YOUR TESTIMONY

As we walk through these 40 days together, we'd love to hear how God is moving in your life.

Your testimony could encourage someone else on their journey! If you'd like to share your experience, send an email to info@ivybaptistchurch.org.

