Recommendations For Books on Prayer

The Prayer Action Team (PAT) of Sherman Street Church has compiled recommendations for books on prayer.

A copy of each book can be found in the church library. To check resources in our church library, follow this link: https://www.librarycat.org/lib/SSCRC

We also have some funds to help offset the cost of purchase for those who might need it. Please don't let cost keep you from these wonderful resources! Questions? Please email our coordinator, Kimberley Belez, at kimcarlosb@gmail.com

Here are books that could be used either by an individual, or a small group:

<u>Praying Circles Around Your Children</u>, by Mark Batterson, 2012, 112 pages; "Batterson teaches about five prayer circles that will not only help you pray for your kids, but also pray through your kids."

<u>The Power of a Praying Parent</u>, by Stormie Omartian, 2007, 224 pages, "Topical prayers, Bible verses, and personal stories to help you pray through each stage of your child's life."

<u>Creative Praying in Groups</u>, by Julia McGuinness, 2006, 88 pages, *The aim of this book is to teach the diversity of possibilities in small group prayer: "to contain the ebullient, enable the hesitant, and open up some new avenues of communicating with God."*

<u>Centering Prayer:</u> Renewing an Ancient Christian Prayer Form, by Basil Pennington, 1982, 254 pages, "...offering contemporary Christians a new approach to ancient prayer forms, centering prayer is listening, allowing God to come and be present in silence and in power."

<u>Praying in Color: Drawing a New Path to God</u> by Sybil MacBeth, 2007, 110 pages, "Drawing is half the prayer, the other half is transporting the visual memories or actual images with you to pray throughout the day."

<u>7 Prayers for Discernment and Decision-Making, A Group Prayer Process to Find God's Direction</u> by Kim Butts, 2019, 80 pages, "a unique guide that presents a highly practical prayer and discussion process for a group (or an individual) to go through in order to discern God's heart on a matter."

<u>Love to Pray with Study Guide, A 40-day Devotional for Deepening Your Prayer Life</u> by Alvin VanderGriend, 2007, 160 pages, "a devotional plus practical step-by-step direction for group interaction time, inductive Bible study and praying together"

<u>Hearing God</u>, by Dallas Willard, 2012, 304 pages, "rich spiritual insight into how we can hear God's voice clearly and develop an intimate partnership with him in the work of his kingdom."

<u>Prayer: Finding the Heart's True Home</u>, by Richard Foster, 2002, 288 pages, "warm, compelling, and sensitive primer on prayer, helping us to understand, experience, and practice it in its many forms"

A Praying Life, by Paul Miller, 2017, 304 pages, "lays out a pattern for living in relationship with God and includes helpful habits and approaches to prayer that enable us to return to a childlike faith"