

## PRAYER OF BLESSING (CALGARY AND SOUTHERN ALBERTA)

Living God, the Almighty One, we invoke your favour on those who now are standing in Your presence.

You are the One Who blesses, so we humbly **OPEN** our hearts and gratefully **RECEIVE** Your blessing this evening. Blessings that cannot be measured. (Ephesians 3:8b) You desire to use Your church to show the power and authorities in the spiritual world that You have many different kinds of wisdom (wisdom that includes experience, knowledge, and good judgement).

(Ephesians 3:10)

May You, Father God, bless these followers of Yours, with **CLARITY, COURAGE, COMPASSION, AND COMMUNION.**

Your Spirit beckons us to come close, and **OPEN WIDE** and **RECEIVE.**

We pray for Your blessing of **CLARITY** as You **OPEN WIDE** our ears to hear Your voice. Your voice that says, "This is the way; walk in it." (Isaiah 30:21)

We pray for Your blessing of **COURAGE** as You **OPEN WIDE** our mouths and fill them.

(Psalm 81:10) Fill them with Truth, spoken in gentleness and humility and from our hearts. (Psalm 15:2) May we not be frightened in any way by those who oppose us. May we be brave when we face our enemies. May our courage show them that they are going to be destroyed and show us that we will be saved. May we have faith in Christ as we suffer for You. For You, God, will make all of this happen and we will be blessed! (Philippians 1:28)

We pray for Your blessing of **COMPASSION** as You **OPEN WIDE** our arms to serve others in love. May we be the extension of Your hands to the needy, the orphans, the widows, the refugees, the lonely, the mentally challenged, the immigrants, the indigenous, and the elderly.

(James 1:27, Proverbs 31:20) May You enable us to see them as You do, serve them as You do, and care about them as much as we care about ourselves. May we think the same way Jesus thinks. (Philippians 2:4,5)

We pray for Your blessing of **COMMUNION** with You as You **OPEN WIDE** our hearts. May we "be still and know that You are God." (Psalm 46:10) Even as Enoch and Noah 'walked faithfully with God,' may You align our hearts with Yours. May we know we can do nothing by ourselves. May we be one with You, even as Your Son was, for He could do nothing by Himself. (John 10:30, 5:19)

You, the Living, Almighty One, say:

**"I am the Lord Who blesses You. I refresh the weary and satisfy the faint. I write My Word on Your heart. I am Your God. You are my righteous dwelling. You are mine."** (Jeremiah 31:23b, 25, 53b)

Thank You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We **RECEIVE** now these gifts with which You bless us:  
**CLARITY, COURAGE, COMPASSION AND COMMUNION.**

We **OPEN WIDE** our spirits to receive all You have for us. We give You our praise and thanks through Jesus Christ. Amen.

[NOTE: The Scripture references are just fyi, not to be included in the reading of the prayer.]