### Friday, March 3: Read <u>Daniel 9-10.</u>

The last chapter of Jeremiah records the logistics of what happened to Jerusalem, the temple, the last kings and the captives. So ends Jeremiah's 40 year tenure, as the last prophet standing in the southern kingdom Judah.

Notes:

#### Pray for Our Missionaries

Juan & Adriana Palacios (Angola, Africa), David & Miriam Trott (Cochabamba, Bolivia), Mario Bloise (Argentina), Nate & MaryBeth Brace (Kentucky), Dan & DeAnn Gerard (San Antonio, TX), Robert Newkirk (Jesus Film), Craig & Shelly Shafer (Sentani, Indonesia), Mike & Fran VanBruggen (S. Africa), Sue Sanders (Detroit, MI), Matt Kooi (Tijuana), Daniel Jezonski (Wycliffe), Danielle Tucker (YWAM), Andrew & Sara Williams (New Tribes).

#### Specific Concerns:

#### Pray this weekend:

•Review of the week (Thank God for answered prayer)

•Note any ongoing concerns to pray for the week.

•Praise God that He is working in your life. You are growing in your faith.

# Spiritual Disciplines Reading Assignments

- Invite the Holy Spirit to guide your reading each day.
- Read the chapters of the Bible according to the date.
- Underline any meaningful verses and take note of

specific advise or wisdom gleaned from your reading.

- Note any unclear passages or teaching and seek insight, answers or help.
- Think about what you're reading. Ask:
  - 1. How does this apply to me?
  - 2. Are there any temptations to avoid, sins to confess, commands to obey or promises to claim?
  - 3. What insight do I gain on God, myself, others, or life?
- Ask God to show you any specific action you need to take as you read.

# Weekly Readings

## Monday, March 6: Read <u>Daniel 1-2</u>

Daniel and friends are exiled to Babylon from Judah at the close of Jeremiah's preaching ministry. Let's take this week to read through his mysterious book. Chapter one reveals the quality of person Daniel was and the special treatment God alotted him. In chapter two, God reveals future kingdoms through Nebuchadnezzar's dream.

Notes:

#### Pray for:

- 1. My relationship with God.
- 2. My life roles
- 3. My personal needs/weak areas
- 4. Goals and objectives



## Tuesday, March 7: Read <u>Daniel 3-4.</u>

Nebuchadnezzar's statue serves as a significant test to the God-fearing Jews who came through the exile. God shows himself faithful in protecting the three Hebrew contemporaries of Daniel. Chapter four is an example of God's sovereignty over kings and nations. Notice the conversion that occurs in the king of Babylon recorded in verses 34-37.

Notes:

#### Pray for family and friends by name.

## Wednesday March 8: Read <u>Daniel 5-6</u>.

God pronounces judgment on Belshazzar's kingdom and deposes him in favor of a new king, Darius the Mede. The new king flexes his muscles in chapter 6, but again God protects and preserves his servant. Like Nebuchadnezzar, note Daniel's change of heart as recorded in verses 25-27.

Notes:

# Wednesday Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church (Consider fasting one, two, or all meals this day.)

- a. Pastors: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for Linda Penn as she transitions into her new position at BGCC.
- b. Worship: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise, and thanksgiving.
- c. Fellowship: Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers.
- d. Discipleship: ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries here at BGCC.
- e. Outreach: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ.
- f. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for God's clear leading in 2017 and beyond.

## Thursday, March 9: Read <u>Daniel 7-8.</u>

These chapters present a revelation of future kingdoms and can be correlated with Nebuchadnezzar's dream back in chapter 2. The symbols point to present Babylon, then the Medes and Persians, Greece, Rome and a distant kingdom, either of Christ or of the AntiChrist.

Notes:

#### Pray for "My World"

- Neighbors People at Work Others God brings into my life.
- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County. Pray for the area churches and the upcoming Bold Faith Initiative during the month of May.
- Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival in America.