



Bible Reading 2021

## *Chart the Course*

Old Testament

Week of February 7, 2021

*The book of Genesis can be divided into two sections. Chapters 1-11: 4 prominent events -- The Creation, The Fall, The Flood and Babel. Chapters 12-50: 4 prominent people -- Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph. Note the humanity of patriarchs as you read their stories. These are real life people with real faults and real failures. They struggled with fear, doubt and discouragement much like you and I do today. The common virtue for all of them is their willingness to trust God in spite of their inconsistencies and shortcomings. Note also how God reveals himself to each of them, reiterating his plan to make a great nation out of them and to bless the world through them. Genesis, the book of beginnings, sets the stage for the rest of scripture. It's worth your time and energy to understand it and to be able to correlate it to the rest of the Bible. May God bless your reading this week.*

Monday, February 8: Read *Genesis 16-18*

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

***Monday: Pray for yourself:***

My relationship with God

My life roles and responsibilities

My personal needs/weak areas

My goals and objectives for 2021

**Tuesday**, February 9: Read [\*Genesis 19-21\*](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

***Tuesday: Pray for Family by Name.***

**Wednesday**, February 10: Read [\*Genesis 22-24\*](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

***Wednesday: Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church***

1. **Leadership**: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for Linda Penn in her work at BGCC. Pray for the church council and the various ministry team leaders. Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up more workers for the harvest (*Matthew 9:38*)
2. **Worship**: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Pray for more musicians to help lead the church in worship, including a pianist. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
3. **Fellowship**: Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers. Pray that we incorporate newcomers into our church fellowship. Take some time to pray through this past Sunday's congregational prayer requests.
4. **Discipleship**: Ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries at BGCC. Ask God to bless our small group ministry, to raise up new groups, new teachers and more leaders.

1. Outreach: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ. Ask God to embolden our people to intentionally reach out to others through the Kingdom Assignment “*Dare to Care*”.
2. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for God’s clear leading in our future plans as we call our members to a greater love and commitment to the Lord and his service. Ask God to bless our finances so that we can better accomplish his purposes for our congregation.

**Thursday**, February 11: Read [Genesis 25-27](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today’s reading:

***Thursday: Pray for “My World”***

*(Write down names as God brings people to mind.)*

- Neighbors • People who live around me.
- People at Work • Others God brings into my life. Take note of specific needs around you and ask God what he wants you to do to help. Who can you invite to church?
- Community -- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County, even through the Coronavirus crisis.
- Pray for the area churches and a greater spirit of unity and cooperation, especially as churches reunite after the quarantine.
- Pray for the community parachurch ministries serving our county, including Beginnings Care for Life Center, Celebrate Recovery, Coach Eby Center, Damascus Road Ministry, Family Promise, Forgotten Man Ministries, God’s Choice Church, Jacob’s Well Ministry, Presbyterian Free Health Clinic, Shelterhouse, the Gideons and the Bronson Food Pantry.
- America: Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival in America. Pray that God would use the Coronavirus outbreak to lead people to faith in Jesus Christ. Pray for God’s guidance and protection for our nation in the coming weeks and months.

Friday, February 12: Read [Genesis 28-30](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

***Friday: Pray for Our Missionaries***

***Juan & Adriana Palacios*** (Angola, Africa), ***David & Miriam Trott*** (Cochabamba, Bolivia), ***Dan & DeAnn Gerard*** (San Antonio, TX), , ***Craig & Shelly Shafer*** (Sentani, Indonesia), ***Sue Saunders*** (Bosnia), ***Matt and Becky Kooi*** (Tijuana), ***Daniel Jezowski*** (Wycliffe), ***Brad and Christa Babjack*** (University of West Virginia), ***Salomon and Megan Guzman*** (Tijuana), ***Alvaro and Rachel Garriga*** (Central Asia), ***Brendan and Ashley Camp*** (Columbia)