



ANTHEM
CHURCH

12 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR EL REDIL (COLOMBIA)

PRAYER GUIDE



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Welcome

As I taught through the Sermon on the Mount this fall, the Holy Spirit impressed on me the importance of three particular rhythms of discipleship - Giving, Praying and Fasting as taught by Jesus in Matthew 6; Jesus says WHEN you give, pray, and fast. Not IF. It caught me that these disciplines go hand-in-hand; as followers of Jesus and as a church, we aren't to neglect any of them but practice each of them. These are three areas that I feel God is calling Anthem to grow in as we continue through this ministry year into 2025.

The "12 Days of Prayer" Campaign for El Redil churches is intended to help Anthem act in obedience in prayer, as we also act in obedience in giving through the Christmas 2024 Christmas Generosity Offering. Our goal with this campaign is to be praying for our brothers and sisters in El Redil churches in Medellin, Colombia, as we also seek to support their ministry through our obedient generosity.

El Redil has several church plants that are located in the barrios of the city. Where the poorest of the poor live. They are seeing many come to faith in Christ, but struggle to find the money needed to care for the poor in their midst and help them heal from deep hurts left behind by decades of being ruled by gangs.

These barrio churches are almost entirely made up of poor people whose generous giving only goes so far. This gives Anthem church the opportunity to support our brothers and sisters in a very real way as they shepherd their flock.

As you participate in the "12 Days of Prayer" campaign, I pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us into greater obedience as a Church in the area of giving, prayer and fasting.

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Praying for El Redil Churches

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In this prayer guide, you will find prayer prompts for each of the 12 days of the campaign.

How does it work?

- We will launch the “12 Days of Prayer” campaign by praying together during our regular Saturday service on the first day (December 14).
- We will pray together again on the next Saturday (December 21st).
- For the remaining days, I’m asking you to set an alarm for the same time each day of the campaign to remind yourself to pray.
- When your alarm goes off, take a few moments to ask the Lord to provide for the need of the day.
- Consider fasting on one or more of these days to engage in all three of the Matthew 6 disciplines this December.



December 14

Pray for the Lord's provision for La Ceja church food bank that provides food and basic household items for families that often do not even have one meal a day. For wisdom to know who needs help the most, and for opportunities to share the Gospel.



December 15

Pray for the families who are receiving care from Redil Poblado Church in the Bello Oriente neighborhood. That as their physical, emotional and spiritual needs are met through the church, the Lord would grow their desire to know their Good Shepherd and be led by Him.



December 16

Pray for protection for the church staff and members as they provide academic and recreational activities for children and youth in areas of the city that are heavily influenced by gangs and related violence.



December 17

Pray for the Lord to make a way for El Redil Poblado church and its work in the Bello Oriente barrio to establish a playroom for children. Bello Oriente is a gang-controlled neighbourhood and there is no other safe space for them to play and just be kids.



December 18

Pray for the San Cristóbal church. Pray that the Lord would prosper the women's ministry, which seeks to shepherd the hearts of women; promoting healing from abuse and transformation of their lives through a relationship with Jesus.



December 19

Pray for the Lord to work in El Redil churches in a mighty way to bring healing to those impacted by physical, emotional, social and spiritual poverty in Medellín, Colombia.



December 20

Pray for the church in the San Pío X neighborhood, that serves children of low-income families suffering from neglect because the parents are forced to work long hours. That as the church provides Christ-centered educational and recreational activities, the children would flourish.



December 21

Pray for protection and Gospel transformation for the children and youth participating in El Redil Laureles (Pastor Parmenio) church programs. That their lives would be a living testimony in the barrios where children are at high risk of drug addiction, prostitution, being recruited into gangs.



December 22

Pray for the El Redil ministry to the deaf in Medellín as they seek to care for this unreached population. Deaf people in Colombia often face a lifetime of isolation, abuse, lack of opportunities for meaningful work and barriers to “hearing” the Gospel.



December 23

Pray for the children and youth sports ministries. That as they are mentored and cared for they would grow in skill, leadership ability and their knowledge and love for Jesus.



December 24

Pray for the children of Medellin, Colombia. That as El Redil churches seek to shepherd them and their families, the Lord would raise up a new generation who boldly practice their faith, causing societal Gospel transformation.



December 25

Pray for wisdom and discernment for the leadership of El Redil churches and ministries, especially for Fellowship International missionaries Diego and Claudia Cardona. That they would know how to meet the needs of the vulnerable in the city, and the resources to act in obedience to the Lord's leading.

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Invitation to Practice Giving with Prayer

On top of your regular giving to Anthem Church, we are taking a special Generosity Offering toward El Redil through the month of December.

Donations can be made by:

- Online bill payment (email office@anthemchurch.ca for instructions)
- E-transfer to donations@bluewatersarnia.church
- Check - made out to Bluewater Church - Anthem Church on Memo Line
- Cash in envelope with Anthem Church on the front

Donation amount must end in **33 cents** to indicate the donation is for **Anthem's Generosity Offering** (for Check, E-transfer, online bill payment and Pre-authorized giving)

Email office@anthemchurch.ca for questions.

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grow in their affections for Christ and
for each other*