



Prayer for Living Expectantly

Gracious and Life-Giving God,

- Pour out your Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our churches to see kingdom visions, to dream your dreams, and to prophesy to your saving grace and justice.
- Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our clergy and lay leadership and prosper their words and works, so that all nations may hear the good news in their own tongues.
- Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.
- Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit gifts and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray.

Amen.

**Dakotas-Minnesota Area of
The United Methodist Church**

Bishop Bruce R. Ough

Gospel imperatives

Our shared vision is for every congregation to become a vital expression of the scriptural imperatives to:

Grow in love of God and neighbor

The Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-40)

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Reach new people

The Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20)

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Heal a broken world

The Great Proclamation (Luke 4:16-21)