

2016 North Wake Church Men's Retreat Prayer Guide

- Before the Retreat:

Planning-- From beginning to end there is a great deal of planning and preparation that is needed for an event like this to be a success. Be in prayer that all the members of the men's ministry team would be diligent in making sure that all the details of this event are taken care of.

Preparations for talks and discussions-- During the weekend we will be having three talks led by Jake Mason, Ben Merkle, and Stuart Bulmann. After these talks we will be breaking into smaller groups to discuss these talks with the hopes that the men will see how these talks should apply to them in a direct way. Be in prayer for the Holy Spirit's guidance as Jake, Ben, and Stuart are preparing their talks. Also be praying for the discussion leaders that they would be able to facilitate discussions that produce life changing personal application in the lives of those attending.

Sign ups-- An opportunity for men to create and/ or deepen their relationships with brothers in Christ as well as take time out of their busy schedules to grow in their relationship with God is a key motivation of this men's retreat. Be praying that every man of North Wake the Lord desires to be there would do what is needed to attend this retreat.

- During the Retreat:

New Relationships-- Our men's retreat gives the men of North Wake a wonderful opportunity to grow new friendships and strengthen old ones. Be in prayer that God would use this event to strengthen the relationships among the men at North Wake.

Impact of lessons and discussions-- Some of the themes we will be hitting on during our talks will be the unity of North Wake, the importance of community for spiritual growth, and a glimpse into the history of what God has done and is doing through North Wake. Be in prayer that God would use these talks and breakout groups to to impact the lives of the men attending as He sees fit.

Free time during the weekend-- During Saturday afternoon we will be spending a large portion with free time. For many men attending it's possible that this is the largest portion of time in a while they've spent with no agenda. Be in prayer that each man would know best how the Lord would have them use this time for renewal and refreshment in the Lord.

- After the Retreat:

Following through-- Perhaps one of the hardest things about retreats is keeping the momentum of the work has started going once we return home. Please be in prayer that all the good works the Lord begins during this retreat would continue when each man returns.