



DORDT UNIVERSITY

# PRAYER WALK

# WELCOME TO DORDT!

We are glad that you could join us for Week of Welcome! We hope this is a joyous time as you or someone you know enters this new season in their faith formation. Our desire for this guided prayer walk is that you will be given an opportunity to commit this time to the Lord, intercede on behalf of Dordt's campus and your student, and gain a glimpse into Dordt's heart for students. We want Defender Nation to come into closer proximity to Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God.

Today, we will be taking part in intercessory prayer for you, your student, and Dordt as a whole. Intercessory prayer invites us into God's care and concern for us, our families and friends, and the entire world. No concern is too trivial for God to



receive with loving attention. So, we encourage you to pray for anything and everything because God cares about it all. He cares about you! Pray out of that place. A place of confidence that God loves you, has forgiven you, and wants nothing but the best for you, his child.

Please use this guide as you walk through campus or pray from home to intercede on behalf of whoever you are praying for. We invite you to pray out loud or pray silently as you walk, ponder, and intercede. Included in this booklet are various locations on campus with prayer prompts and Scripture. Feel free to add your own specific concerns, joys, prayers, and Bible verses as well. You can pray over them all, a few, or simply the ones you will be involved in.

**Enjoy!**





# B.J. HAAN AUDITORIUM

Chapel is held in the B.J. Haan Auditorium every Wednesday at 11 a.m. Music recitals, band concerts, and outside events occur in this building throughout the year as well. Take some time to read truth over and intercede on behalf of chapel and other events on campus.

## TRUTH

“For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.”

Habakkuk 2:14

### Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that every chapel and event will be for Jesus, the name that is above every other name.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to be tangible in chapel and throughout campus, bringing people into closer proximity to Jesus.
- Pray that your son or daughter would have a heart of flesh ready to receive all that God has, and be formed into what God wants.
- Pray for all to see people as God sees people—with love, care, and compassion.

The next stop on the prayer walk is Covenant Hall.

# COVENANT HALL: WOMEN

Covenant Hall houses approximately 240 freshmen and sophomore women. Take some time to read truth over and intercede on behalf of the women on campus.

## TRUTH

“The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.”

Zephaniah 3:17

## Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that your daughter and all women will know God delights in them as they are. Pray that they will find their identity in God, and that they will know that they are loved and forgiven by their heavenly Father.
- For freshmen, pray for a smooth transition, a heart-changing encounter with Jesus during the year, and good, God-honoring social friendships.
- For sophomores, pray for trust as they pursue their callings, boldness to step into leadership roles, and an attentiveness to others' needs.
- Pray the Lord's favor and blessing over their freshmen and sophomore years. Pray for a purity of eyes and heart and against sexual temptation and sin.

The next destination is the Recreation Center, a short walk across the green space.

# RECREATION CENTER

The Rec Center is a hub of all sorts of activity. All students have access to the Rec Center and enjoy activities such as weightlifting, aerobics, tennis, racquetball, basketball, running, soccer, dodgeball, volleyball, and fitness training. Take some time to read truth over and intercede on behalf of all the activity in the Rec Center.

## TRUTH

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is our true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Romans 12: 1-2

## Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that all who enter the Rec Center and take part in activity will know that they are first and foremost a child of God—that they are royalty.
- Pray against the spirit of comparison that the enemy often stirs up through activity.
- Pray perseverance over yourself and students. Pray that God would use the physical training to produce perseverance in all areas of life for his glory.
- Pray that students would have fun taking part in competition and physical activity.

From here the walk heads to North and East Hall. Enjoy the walk and take note of the beauty around you.

# EAST & NORTH HALL: MEN

North and East Hall each house approximately 200 freshmen and sophomore men. Take some time to read truth over the men on campus and intercede on their behalf.

## TRUTH

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.”

Galatians 5:22-23

### Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that your son will find great friendships that exhibit the fruit of the Spirit for the glory of God.
- Pray for a purity of eyes and heart and against sexual temptation and sin.
- Pray that the men on campus would have a blast living together and find joy in the community they have.
- Pray that God would raise up people to walk alongside these students to disciple and mentor them.

The next stop on the prayer walk is the Commons (dining hall).



# THE COMMONS

The Commons is the main place to eat on campus, but it is so much more than that. It is a place of community, laughter, and joy as students gather to eat throughout the day. Take some time to read truth over and intercede on behalf of this place on campus.

## TRUTH

“When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter; and our tongue with shouts of joy...”

Psalm 126:1-2

### Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that your child will have friendship full of joy, good conversation, and laughter.
- Pray that all students and friend groups would be welcoming to all people and every student.
- Pray that your student would grow in wisdom, favor, and stature with God and others.
- Pray a blessing over all the workers who serve in food preparation and cleanup.

Next is a short walk to West Hall.

# WEST HALL: WOMEN

West Hall houses approximately 150 freshmen and sophomore women. Take some time to read truth over and intercede on behalf of the women on campus.

## TRUTH

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## Prayer Prompts:

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The next destination is the Ribbens Academic Complex  
(the Classroom Building).

# THE RIBBENS ACADEMIC

## COMPLEX

The Ribbens Academic Complex is primarily referred to as the Classroom Building. It represents all the academic programs and all classrooms on campus for this prayer walk. Take some time to read truth over the academic experience of your child and intercede on their behalf.

### TRUTH

“And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.”

John 17:3

### Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that through every class, exam, paper, and project, professors and students will come to a great knowledge of the Lord for his glory.
- Pray that each student is given the space to discern their calling, and that they trust God with it.
- Pray that God would give wisdom, rest in the busyness, and joy to Dordt’s administrators, professors, staff, and students.

The next stop is a short walk to the Campus Center.

# CAMPUS CENTER

The Campus Center is a symbol of life on campus. It houses Student Services, Campus Ministries, Student Health and Counseling Center, Admissions, the Defender Grille, the Business Department, the Hulst Library, the Registrar's Office, and more. The Campus Center exists to serve the student and give him or her support in all areas of life for their health and God's glory. Take some time to read truth over campus and intercede on its behalf.

## TRUTH

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and love them even as you loved me."

John 17:20-21

### Prayer Prompts:

- Pray that all of Defender Nation would be centered on the person of Jesus for the sake of the kingdom.
- Pray against division and disunity at Dordt and in the body of Christ.
- Pray for the faithful servants in Dordt's leadership positions. Pray for wisdom for President Hoekstra, the Leadership Team, and the Board of Trustees as they continue setting a faithful and biblically-obedient direction for the university.
- Pray that Dordt would play a role in God's kingdom work in the world so that people will come to know the living God and Jesus whom he sent.

We will end the walk at the Clock Tower.

# CLOCK TOWER

The Clock Tower is at the center of campus and is representative of a student's entire time at Dordt as they walk under it as freshmen and then again as seniors. Take time to read truth and commit your student's entire time at Dordt to the Lord.

## TRUTH

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Matthew 6:9-10

## Prayer Prompts:

- Use the Clock Tower as a symbol of you or your student's entire journey at Dordt. Pray that God's will be done in and through your student, yourself, and all on Dordt's campus.
- Pray that your student would be part of an in-breaking of the kingdom of God on earth while they are at Dordt
- Pray over all Dordt employees, that they would play their role in the mission to bring Christ-centered renewal in all aspects of contemporary life.
- Take some time to thank God in advance for all he is going to do while your child is at Dordt.

Thank you for entrusting us with your son or daughter. We are praying for you as you let them go and trust God in this new season for your family. We promise we will love your child well, support them as best we can, and pray for them regularly. May God's peace and blessing be with you!

# POWER OF PRAYER

## TRUTH

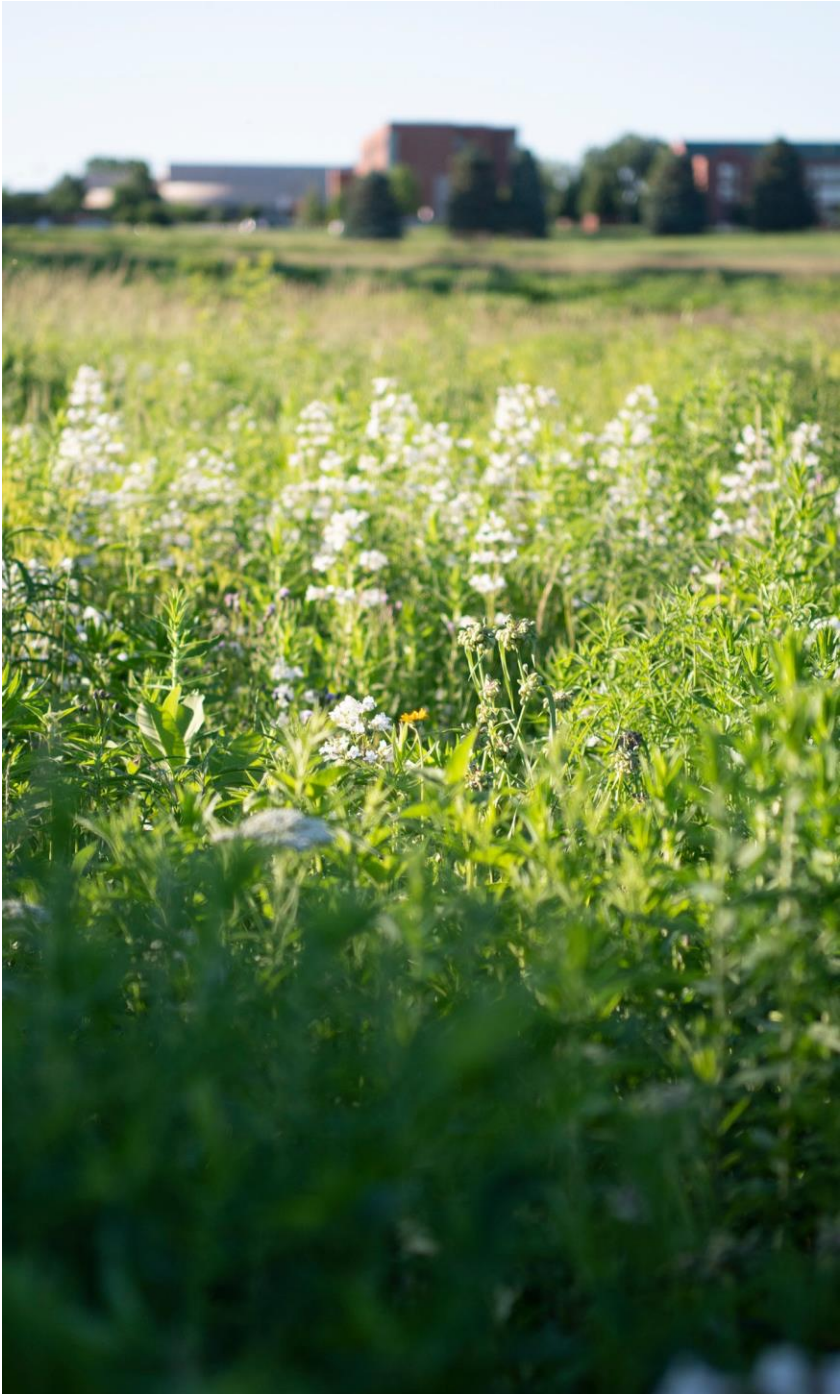
Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

John 14:13-14

Did you catch that? Whatever you ask in Jesus's name he will do. Wow! That is the power of our God. Thank you for taking the time to pray over your child, Dordt's campus, and for yourself. We believe your prayer will have an eternal impact not because anything you said or did, but because of what Jesus has done, is doing right now, and will do.

May God's favor be on you and all of us in this new season. All praise and glory and power to our Father!

In Jesus's name, Amen!





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