Abundant Life Christian Ministries 2019 Church-wide New Year's Fast

21 Days of Fasting & Prayer

January 2 – 22, 2019

"Man does not live on bread alone, but from every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God." Deut. 8:3 & Matt. 4:4

Church Purpose:	We are a great church, serving a great God, committed to His great commandment, to carry-out His great commission.
Church Theme for 2019:	Faith in Action
Church Prayer Points:	<ol> <li>Spiritual growth for all members (more Word, less world)</li> <li>Love and unity in ALCM</li> <li>Discipleship development, evangelism and outreach</li> <li>Healing for all members and their families</li> <li>Wisdom and direction for the God's Able Building Campaign</li> <li>Finances of ALCM</li> <li>Commit to live by faith and be faithful to God</li> <li>Faith in Action</li> </ol>

Make a list of your personal prayer goals.

Prepare to join us in this time of seeking the Lord.

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### **Types of Fasts:**

There isn't an official list of the different types of fasts and terminology varies. Here are some common types:

- **Total Fast:** This is a rarely practiced in the bible and is not advisable.
- Water-only: This is not recommended for long periods of time.
- **Liquid-only:** Abstaining from solid foods by drinking only water, juices, broths, etc.
- Partial Fast: Is abstaining from specific foods and drinks or limiting eating for portions
  of the day. Examples: the "Daniel Fast" or fasting from sunrise to sunset.

## **Beginning Steps:**

- 1. Read and meditate on Isaiah 58, 2 Chr.7:14-15, 2 Chr. 20:1-25
- 2. Familiarize yourself with the ALCM Purpose, 2019 Theme, and Prayer Points
- 3. Write down your personal goals to focus on.
- 4. Choose the type of fast you will commit to.
- 5. Prepare for the fast.

## **Daily Steps:**

- 1. Pray, praise, and worship.
- 2. Read and meditate on scripture.
- 3. Review ALCM Purpose, Theme, and Prayer Points.
- 4. Review your personal goals.

#### Weekly Steps:

- 1. Attend Monday Night Prayer and/or Prayer Conference Call.
- 2. Attend Bible Study and/or Sunday School.

#### **Fasting Resources:**

There are many books, articles, videos, etc. on the subject of fasting. Here are a few:

- "Fasting for Spiritual Breakthrough" by Elmer L. Towns
- Daniel Diet for Fasting (flyer on ALCM website)
- JentezenFranklin.org/fastingbasics
- Bob Rodgers Ministries
- Campus Crusade for Christ Fasting guides on www.cru.org