



## Notes Package: 12 Nights of Prayer – January 2026

Welcome back to these notes from our transformative 12 Nights of Prayer in January 2026. As a fellow church member, I've compiled them based on the key moments that resonated most during each gathering. They're designed for you to revisit throughout the year—perhaps during your morning devotions, in a prayer journal, or even shared in a small group. Let them inspire you to live out the “Greater Works” vision from John 14:12, where abiding in Christ leads to multiplied impact through the Spirit.

We have expanded the core insights with a bit more detail to help you dig deeper, drawing out practical and spiritual layers from the teachings. For the declarations, we've broken them into three focused prayers:

1. A **personal declaration** to apply the theme inwardly, fostering growth in your own walk.
2. A **declaration over a prayer partner** (someone like a friend, spouse, or accountability buddy), speaking truth into their life to build mutual encouragement.
3. A **declaration over our city (Chelsea, MA)**, praying collectively for God's work through our committed church community—impacting families, individuals, government, and authorities, not as conquerors, but as faithful servants God has placed here for His purposes.

Use these declarations regularly—speak them aloud, meditate on them, or adapt them as the Spirit leads. May 2026 be a year of abiding faith and greater fruit for all of us!

### Night 1: Abide – The Vine of Intimacy (January 1)

**Key Scripture:** John 15:4-5 – “Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches.”

#### Core Insights:

- Abiding is the non-negotiable foundation of our spiritual life—it's about staying intimately connected to Jesus moment by moment, drawing nourishment from Him just as a branch relies on the vine for sustenance and growth, preventing us from withering in isolation.
- Without abiding, our efforts become futile and self-driven, leading to exhaustion; but when we remain in Him through consistent prayer and obedience, His divine life naturally flows through us, producing lasting results we couldn't achieve alone.
- This practice counters the busyness of modern life by inviting us to prioritize presence over productivity, reminding us that true greater works emerge from relational depth rather than hurried activity.

**Reflection Questions:** Where am I trying to “produce” on my own? How can I



make abiding (quiet time, awareness of His presence) a non-negotiable rhythm this year?

**Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Lord Jesus, I choose to abide in You today as my Vine; help me draw from Your strength in every challenge, letting Your peace and power shape my thoughts and actions for Your purposes in my life.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Father, I declare over [partner’s name] that they abide deeply in Christ, finding renewal and fruitfulness in their daily walk, as Your life flows through them to overcome obstacles and shine Your light.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “God, we thank You for placing our committed church in Chelsea; we pray that through us, Your abiding presence touches families with unity, individuals with hope, government and authorities with wisdom, fostering a community where Your love multiplies and heals.”

**Night 2: Believe – The Anchor of Faith (January 2)**

**Key Scripture:** John 14:1, 11-12 – “Believe in God; believe also in me... Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.”

**Core Insights:**

- Belief goes beyond intellectual agreement—it’s a wholehearted entrusting of our lives to Jesus as the full revelation of the Father, providing stability in uncertain times like an anchor in a storm, grounding us against fear and doubt.
- Jesus’ miraculous works serve as evidence to fuel our belief, showing us that as we trust Him, we too can participate in similar signs that point others to eternal life, expanding His impact through our faithfulness.
- This anchor of faith resolves inner conflicts by shifting our focus from self-doubt to His proven character, enabling us to step into greater works with confidence rather than hesitation.

**Reflection Questions:** What doubts linger in my heart? How can trusting Jesus’ revelation of the Father change my daily decisions?

**Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Heavenly Father, I declare my belief in Jesus as my anchor; strengthen my faith to navigate uncertainties, allowing Your truth to guide my choices and bring peace to my soul.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Lord, I speak belief over [partner’s name], anchoring their heart in Your promises, so that doubts fade and they walk boldly in the greater works You’ve prepared for them.”



- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Lord, we pray for Chelsea, believing You’ve given it a faithful church; may our collective faith inspire families to trust You, individuals to find salvation, and leaders to seek Your guidance for justice and prosperity.”

### **Night 3: Surrender – Releasing the Flesh (January 3)**

**Key Scripture:** Galatians 5:16-17 – “Walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit...”

#### **Core Insights:**

- Surrender involves actively releasing control and self-centered desires that lead to spiritual burnout, allowing the Spirit to take the lead and produce genuine freedom from inner conflicts that hinder growth.
- Fleshly striving often masquerades as good intentions but results in empty efforts; true surrender invites God’s gentle pruning, clearing the way for His power to flow unhindered in our lives.
- This act of yielding transforms potential pitfalls into opportunities for deeper reliance on God, ensuring our greater works are Spirit-led and sustainable rather than fleeting.

**Reflection Questions:** Where do I rely on my strength instead of His? What self-effort can I surrender today?

#### **Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Holy Spirit, I surrender my fleshly desires to You; guide my steps away from striving, filling me with Your peace and enabling me to live fruitfully in Your strength.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “God, I declare surrender over [partner’s name], releasing them from self-reliance into Your freedom, so the Spirit’s fruit blossoms in their challenges and joys.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Father, we intercede for Chelsea, surrendering our community to Your will; through our committed church, bring release to families in bondage, healing to individuals in struggle, and integrity to authorities for the common good.”

### **Night 4: Trust – In His Promises (January 4)**

**Key Scripture:** John 14:12 – “...greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.”

#### **Core Insights:**



- Trust means leaning into God’s unchanging promises even when circumstances seem delayed, viewing Jesus’ ascension as a doorway to amplified blessings rather than absence.
- His faithfulness in past works builds our confidence for future greater ones, turning waiting seasons into preparation for multiplied impact in our spheres of influence.
- This trust counters anxiety by reminding us that God’s timing is perfect, positioning us to receive and act on His greater plans with expectant hearts.

**Reflection Questions:** Which promises am I tempted to doubt? How can trust shape my expectations for 2026?

**Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Lord, I trust in Your promises fully; help me rest in Your timing, believing that greater works will unfold in my life as I wait on You.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Father, I declare trust over [partner’s name], anchoring them in Your faithful word, so they embrace Your promises and see breakthroughs in their journey.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “God, we trust You with Chelsea’s future; as Your committed church, we pray for families to experience provision, individuals to know Your reliability, and leaders to govern with heavenly wisdom.”

### Night 5: Ascend – Jesus’ Departure as Gain (January 5)

**Key Scripture:** John 14:12b, 16:7 – “...because I am going to the Father... It is to your advantage that I go away.”

**Core Insights:**

- Jesus’ ascension transforms apparent loss into divine advantage, unlocking the Holy Spirit’s full presence and enabling us to participate in works of even broader scope.
- His exaltation at the Father’s right hand intercedes for us continually, turning our weaknesses into opportunities for God’s power to shine through.
- This perspective shifts our grief over change into gratitude, as we recognize how His “going” multiplies His ministry through the global church.

**Reflection Questions:** How does Jesus’ “going” benefit my life today? What “advantage” am I missing?

**Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Jesus, I see Your ascension as my gain; thank You for the advantages it brings, and help me embrace the greater opportunities it opens in my path.”



- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Lord, I declare over [partner’s name] the gain of Your ascension, turning their transitions into triumphs through the Spirit’s empowering presence.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Father, we celebrate Jesus’ ascension over Chelsea; through our committed church, may it bring gain to families in unity, individuals in purpose, and authorities in righteous leadership.”

### **Night 6: Helper – The Spirit’s Presence (January 6)**

**Key Scripture:** John 14:16-17 – “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever...”

#### **Core Insights:**

- The Holy Spirit as our Helper is a constant companion—advocating, comforting, and teaching us in ways that extend Jesus’ ministry directly into our hearts and circumstances.
  - His indwelling resolves the battle between flesh and Spirit by gently producing fruit that aligns our lives with God’s will, making greater works accessible and authentic.
  - Cultivating awareness of His presence turns routine moments into divine encounters, where guidance and strength are readily available for daily challenges.
- Reflection Questions:** Where do I need the Helper’s guidance? How can I cultivate sensitivity to Him?

#### **Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Holy Spirit, my eternal Helper, dwell richly in me; guide my thoughts and steps, producing fruit that honors You in every area of my life.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “God, I declare the Helper’s presence over [partner’s name], comforting and strengthening them, so Your fruit overflows in their relationships and endeavors.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Spirit, we invite Your helping presence into Chelsea; through our committed church, comfort families in need, empower individuals for change, and inspire authorities for compassionate decisions.”

### **Night 7: Empower – For Bold Witness (January 7)**

**Key Scripture:** Acts 1:8 – “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses...”

#### **Core Insights:**

- The Spirit’s empowerment equips us for bold witness, turning timid hearts into vessels of testimony that reach from our neighborhoods to the nations.



- Greater works in this context include sharing the gospel authentically, where even small acts of faith can lead to life-changing ripple effects in others.
- This power is rooted in relationship with God, ensuring our witness is genuine and sustained, not fleeting or forced.  
**Reflection Questions:** Who needs my witness? Where can I step out in boldness this year?  
**Declarations:**
- **Personal Declaration:** “Holy Spirit, empower me for bold witness; fill me with courage to share Your truth, letting greater works emerge from my obedience.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Father, I declare empowerment over [partner’s name] for witness, igniting boldness in them to impact lives with Your love and power.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Lord, empower our church in Chelsea for witness; may it touch families with the gospel, transform individuals through encounters, and influence authorities toward Your justice.”

### **Night 8: Expand – Kingdom Multiplication (January 8)**

**Key Scripture:** John 14:12 (greater in scope) & Matthew 28:19 – “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...”

#### **Core Insights:**

- Expansion reflects the “greater” promise as kingdom growth—moving beyond individual fruit to collective multiplication in communities and beyond.
- God invites us into this through prayer and action, using our faithfulness to reach unreached people and spark revivals in unexpected places.
- This multiplication honors the Vine’s design, where one abiding life connects to many, creating a harvest that echoes eternity.  
**Reflection Questions:** How can I contribute to kingdom growth locally and globally?  
**Declarations:**
- **Personal Declaration:** “Father, expand Your kingdom through my life; use my steps to multiply impact, drawing others into Your eternal family.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “God, I declare expansion over [partner’s name]’s influence, multiplying their gifts for kingdom growth in relationships and opportunities.”



- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Lord, expand Your kingdom in Chelsea through our committed church; multiply hope in families, salvation in individuals, and righteousness in government and authorities.”

### **Night 9: Glorify – The Father’s Honor (January 9)**

**Key Scripture:** John 14:13 – “...that the Father may be glorified in the Son.”

#### **Core Insights:**

- Glorifying the Father is the ultimate aim of greater works—ensuring every action, prayer, and outcome points back to His majesty rather than our achievements.
- Purified motives through aligned prayer keep our efforts humble and effective, drawing others to worship Him as they see His hand at work.
- This focus shifts our perspective from self-promotion to divine honor, making our lives a living testimony of His goodness.

**Reflection Questions:** Are my actions honoring the Father? How can I redirect praise to Him?

#### **Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Father, in all I do, I seek to glorify You; align my heart and works to reflect Your honor, not mine.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Lord, I declare glory over [partner’s name]’s life, that their actions and words bring honor to You and inspire those around them.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “God, glorify Yourself in Chelsea through our committed church; may families, individuals, and authorities see Your honor displayed in acts of love and justice.”

### **Night 10: Fruit – Spirit-Produced Works (January 10)**

**Key Scripture:** Galatians 5:22-23 – “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace...”

#### **Core Insights:**

- Spirit-produced fruit represents the essence of greater works—organic qualities like love and patience that grow from abiding, impacting others more deeply than mere actions.
- Unlike forced efforts, this fruit endures trials and multiplies influence, as God’s character shines through our transformed lives.
- Nurturing it involves daily surrender, allowing the Spirit to cultivate lasting change that glorifies Him in relationships and challenges.

**Reflection Questions:** Which fruit needs growth in my life? How can I nurture it



daily?

**Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Holy Spirit, bear Your fruit in my heart; grow love, joy, and peace within me, sustaining greater works through my character.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Father, I declare fruit over [partner’s name], that the Spirit cultivates enduring qualities in them, blessing all they touch.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Spirit, produce Your fruit across Chelsea via our committed church; let love heal families, joy uplift individuals, and peace guide authorities.”

**Night 11: Testify – Sharing the Greater Story (January 11)**

**Key Scripture:** John 20:31 – “...these are written so that you may believe... and that by believing you may have life in his name.”

**Core Insights:**

- Testifying shares our personal stories of God’s greater works, serving as evidence that sparks belief and life in others, just as John’s Gospel uses signs to point to Jesus.
- Your unique experiences become powerful tools—vulnerable sharing multiplies impact, turning individual victories into communal encouragement.
- This completes the abiding cycle, where fruit leads to witness, glorifying God and fulfilling our missional calling in everyday conversations.

**Reflection Questions:** What “greater work” story can I share? Who needs to hear it?

**Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Lord, use my testimony for Your glory; give me boldness to share how You’ve worked in me, drawing others to faith.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “God, I declare testimony over [partner’s name], empowering their story to inspire belief and life in those around them.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “Father, amplify testimonies in Chelsea through our committed church; let shared stories bring faith to families, transformation to individuals, and renewal to authorities.”

**Night 12: Commission – Called to Greater Works (January 12)**

**Key Scripture:** John 14:12 & Matthew 28:18-20 – “All authority... I am with you always...”



## Core Insights:

- Commissioning synthesizes our journey—from abiding foundations to empowered purpose—we're sent as partners in God's Trinitarian mission, equipped for greater works in scope and depth.
- This calling resolves all tensions: Not performance, but abiding faith yields fruit, witness, and glory, with Jesus' constant presence ensuring we're never alone.
- Encouragement for 2026: God delights in using ordinary, committed believers for extraordinary kingdom advances—embrace it with joy, knowing your role matters eternally.

**Reflection Questions:** How has this journey changed my view of “greater works”? What one step will I take this year to live it out?

### **Declarations:**

- **Personal Declaration:** “Lord, I accept Your commission; empower me to live out greater works through abiding faith, for Your eternal purposes in my life.”
- **Declaration Over a Prayer Partner:** “Father, I declare commissioning over [partner's name], sending them forth with Your authority and presence for impactful service.”
- **Declaration Over Our City (Chelsea, MA):** “God, commission our church in Chelsea to greater works; as Your committed body, impact families with grace, individuals with purpose, and authorities with divine insight for the city's flourishing.”