

New Year Prayer Points for 2027

These New Year prayer points for 2027 are for a church's watch-night or crossover service on New Year's Eve, for a family praying at home on January 1, and for anyone beginning the year with prayer and fasting. They move from thanksgiving for 2026, through repentance and surrender, to petitions for the new year, fasting, the church and the nation, and crossing into 2027 with hope.

Because of the loving devotion of the LORD we are not consumed, for His mercies never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness!

Lamentations 3:22-23 (BSB)

At a crossover service, give each section to a different leader and time the last section to finish at midnight. At home, pray the first and third sections around the table and let everyone add a sentence. During a January fast, pray one section a day. Read the verse aloud before each prayer. Verses are from the Berean Standard Bible.

Thanksgiving for 2026

1 God crowned the year

God of all goodness, You crown the year with Your bounty. Before 2026 closes, we thank You for every meal, paycheck, friendship and answered prayer. You were good to us in more ways than we noticed.

You crown the year with Your bounty, and Your paths overflow with plenty.

Psalms 65:11 (BSB)

2 Thus far the Lord has helped us

Lord, like Samuel we set up our stone of remembrance tonight and say that thus far You have helped us. Thank You for carrying us through every week of this year, and the hardest ones most of all.

Afterward, Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer, saying, "Thus far the LORD has helped us."

1 Samuel 7:12 (BSB)

3 The great things He has done

Lord, You have done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Bring to mind the healings, provisions, protection and quiet mercies of this past year, and let us name them out loud with gratitude.

The LORD has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Psalms 126:3 (BSB)

4 Thanks in every circumstance

Father, You call us to give thanks in every circumstance. For the losses and disappointments of this year, too, we thank You that You were present, and we trust that nothing we gave You was wasted.

Give thanks in every circumstance, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 (BSB)

5 Those we lost this year

Lord Jesus, we remember those we lost this year. We grieve, but not like those who have no hope, because You died and rose again. Comfort every empty chair at our tables, and keep our hope fixed on You.

Brothers, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you will not grieve like the rest, who are without hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, we also believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in Him.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 (BSB)

Repentance and surrender

6 Forgiven and cleansed

Father, we confess our sins from this past year, the ones others saw and the ones only You saw. You are faithful and just to forgive us and cleanse us. We receive Your forgiveness and begin again.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9 (BSB)

7 Leaving the past behind

Lord Jesus, help us forget what is behind, both our failures and our successes, and strain toward what is ahead. Let us press on toward the goal of knowing You and finishing well.

Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize of God's heavenly calling in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:13-14 (BSB)

8 Our plans in God's hands

Lord, we have plans for 2027, but we do not know what tomorrow will bring; our lives are a mist. Teach us to hold every plan loosely and to say from the heart, if You are willing, we will do this or that.

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business, and make a profit." You do not even know what will happen tomorrow! What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If the Lord is willing, we will live and do this or that."

James 4:13-15 (BSB)

9 Living sacrifices for the new year

God of mercy, we offer You our bodies, our time and our plans as living sacrifices for this new year. Keep us from being conformed to this world, and renew our minds so that we may know and do Your will.

Therefore I urge you, brothers, on account of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:1-2 (BSB)

Petitions for 2027

10 Wisdom to number our days

Lord, teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. Help us spend the days of 2027 on what matters most: You, the people You have given us, and the work You have called us to.

So teach us to number our days, that we may present a heart of wisdom.

Psalms 90:12 (BSB)

11 Guidance for the road ahead

Heavenly Father, You instruct Your people and teach them the way they should go, and You watch over them. As we face decisions about work, family, health and money this year, guide us and give us ears to hear Your counsel.

I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will give you counsel and watch over you.

Psalms 32:8 (BSB)

12 A hunger for God's Word

Holy Spirit, make God's word a lamp to our feet and a light to our path in 2027. Give us a fresh hunger for Scripture, and help us keep our daily time with You long after January ends.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Psalms 119:105 (BSB)

13 Work, provision and health

Father, we commit our way to You for 2027: our jobs and studies, our finances, our health and our homes. We trust You to provide what we need and to lead us where You want us to go.

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in Him, and He will do it.

Psalms 37:5 (BSB)

14 God's blessing on our families

Lord, bless us and keep us; make Your face shine upon us and be gracious to us; lift up Your countenance toward us and give us peace. We ask this blessing for every family here in the year ahead.

'May the LORD bless you and keep you; may the LORD cause His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the LORD lift up His countenance toward you and give you peace.'

Numbers 6:24-26 (BSB)

Fasting and seeking God

15 Returning with all our hearts

Gracious God, You call Your people to return to You with all their hearts, with fasting, weeping and mourning. As we fast this January, tear open our hearts, not just our routines, for You are compassionate and slow to anger.

"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to Me with all your heart, with fasting, weeping, and mourning." So rend your hearts and not your garments, and return to the LORD your God. For He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in loving devotion. And He relents from sending disaster.

Joel 2:12-13 (BSB)

16 Fasting before the Father who sees

Father, as some of us fast in these first days of the year, keep us from fasting to be seen. Let our hunger turn us to prayer, and meet us in secret, where You see what is done.

When you fast, do not be somber like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces to show men they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they already have their full reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that your fasting will not be obvious to men, but only to your Father, who is unseen. And your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Matthew 6:16-18 (BSB)

17 Humbling ourselves for the journey

God, like Ezra at the Ahava Canal, we humble ourselves before You and ask for a safe journey for ourselves and our children. Go before us into this year, and guard everything You have entrusted to us.

And there by the Ahava Canal I proclaimed a fast, so that we might humble ourselves before our God and ask Him for a safe journey for us and our children, with all our possessions.

Ezra 8:21 (BSB)

Our church, our nation and the world

18 Our church in 2027

Lord Jesus, make our church devoted to the apostles' teaching, to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer this year. Draw new people to faith in Jesus, heal what is broken among us, and keep us faithful.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Acts 2:42 (BSB)

19 Leaders of our nation

Father, as this year begins we pray for the President, governors, mayors and all in authority, of every party. Give them wisdom and integrity, and grant us tranquil and quiet lives in all godliness and dignity.

First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be offered for everyone—for kings and all those in authority—so that we may lead tranquil and quiet lives in all godliness and dignity.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 (BSB)

20 The gospel among the nations

God, let Your glory be declared among the nations and Your wonders among all peoples in 2027. Protect the persecuted church, bless those who serve as missionaries, and send the gospel where Jesus is not yet known.

Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.

Psalms 96:3 (BSB)

Crossing into the new year

21 The same Jesus in 2027

Lord Jesus, You are the same yesterday and today and forever. Everything about 2027 is unknown to us, but You are not. We step into this new year holding on to You.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:8 (BSB)

22 Not afraid of what lies ahead

Lord, as You went before Joshua and Israel, go before us into this year and be with us. Thank You that You will never leave us or forsake us. Take away our fear and discouragement, and give us courage to follow You.

The LORD Himself goes before you; He will be with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid or discouraged."

Deuteronomy 31:8 (BSB)

Goodness and mercy all year long

Good Shepherd, let Your goodness and mercy follow us all the days of this new year, and every year after it, until we dwell in Your house forever.

Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Psalm 23:6 (BSB)

A closing prayer

Faithful God, Your mercies are new every morning, and great is Your faithfulness. Thank You for carrying us through 2026. Forgive what we got wrong, and take our plans for 2027 into Your hands. Go before us, guide our steps, bless our homes and our church, and keep our eyes on Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today and forever. We give You this new year. In His name we pray. Amen.