

Mount Olive Baptist Church

Lenten Devotional – 2026

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Year	MOBC Theme	Guiding Scriptures	Quarter 1 Focus	Quarter 1 Scriptures
2026	Growing Disciples; Advancing the Kingdom	Matthew 28:18–20, Acts 1:8	Rooted in Christ – Foundations of Discipleship	Colossians 2:6–7, Psalm 1:1–3, John 15:4–5

 **INTRODUCTION FOR ALL AGES**

Lent is a sacred season of reflection, growth, and preparation. For 40 days, we intentionally draw closer to Christ through prayer, Scripture, and spiritual discipline. At MOBC, this year's theme—**Growing Disciples; Advancing the Kingdom**—reminds us that discipleship is not passive. It is a daily journey of learning, practicing, and living out our faith.

Our Quarter 1 focus, **Rooted in Christ – Foundations of Discipleship**, calls us to strengthen our spiritual roots. A tree cannot grow tall or bear fruit unless it is deeply planted. Likewise, we cannot grow as disciples unless we are rooted in God's Word, grounded in Christ, and nourished by spiritual practices.

This devotional helps every member—children, youth, and adults—grow deeper in:

- **Spiritual formation**
- **Biblical literacy**
- **Identity in Christ**

Each day includes:

- **A Scripture reading**
- **A short teaching**
- **A simple activity**
- **A reflection question**

Use this devotional individually, as a family, or within your ministry. Let these 40 days strengthen your roots so that MOBC may continue **advancing the Kingdom** with power, purpose, and unity.

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DAILY LENT DEVOTIONALS (40 DAYS)

Below are **four parallel tracks**, each day shares the same Scripture theme but is written at the appropriate level for youth and adults.

Week / Period	Theme	Scriptures
WEEK 1 February 18 – February 24, 2026	ROOTED IN CHRIST	Colossians 2:6–7 Psalm 1:1–3 John 15:4–5 Matthew 28:18–20 Acts 1:8 Ephesians 3:16–19 Philippians 1:6
WEEK 2 February 25 – March 3, 2026	SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES	Mark 1:35 Matthew 6:6 Psalm 119:105 James 1:22 1 Thessalonians 5:17 Matthew 6:16–18 Hebrews 4:12
WEEK 3 March 4 – March 10, 2026	IDENTITY IN CHRIST	Genesis 1:27 1 Peter 2:9 Romans 8:14–17 Ephesians 2:10 2 Corinthians 5:17 Galatians 2:20 John 1:12
WEEK 4 March 11 – March 17, 2026	FOLLOWING JESUS	Luke 9:23 Matthew 16:24–26 John 10:27 Matthew 5:14–16 Micah 6:8 Matthew 22:37–39 Philippians 2:5
WEEK 5 March 18 – March 24, 2026	GROWING FRUIT	Galatians 5:22–23 John 15:8 2 Peter 1:5–8 James 3:17 Romans 12:2 Colossians 3:12–14 Matthew 7:17–20
HOLY WEEK March 25 – April 2, 2026		Palm Sunday – Matthew 21:1–11 Monday – Matthew 21:12–17 Tuesday – Matthew 22:34–40 Wednesday – Matthew 26:6–13 Holy Thursday – John 13:1–17

SECTION 1 — ELEMENTARY DEVOTIONAL

Simple language ~ Hands-on activities ~ One-sentence reflections

Week	Day	Scripture	Reading	Activity	Reflection
1 — Rooted in Christ	1 Feb 18, 2026	Colossians 2:6–7	Jesus wants us to grow strong in Him, just like a tree grows strong roots.	Draw a tree and write “Jesus” at the roots.	What helps me grow in Jesus?
1 — Rooted in Christ	2 Feb 19, 2026	Psalm 1:1–3	God blesses people who stay close to Him.	Pretend to water a plant and say, “God helps me grow!”	How can I stay close to God today?
1 — Rooted in Christ	3 Feb 20, 2026	John 15:4–5	Jesus says we grow when we stay connected to Him.	Plug in a lamp and turn it on—talk about staying connected.	What helps me stay connected to Jesus?
1 — Rooted in Christ	4 Feb 21, 2026	Matthew 28:18–20	Jesus wants us to tell others about Him.	Make a “Jesus loves you” card for someone.	Who can I share Jesus with?
1 — Rooted in Christ	5 Feb 22, 2026	Acts 1:8	God gives us power to do His work.	Flex your muscles and say, “God gives me strength!”	What can I do with God’s power?
1 — Rooted in Christ	6 Feb 23, 2026	Ephesians 3:16–19	God’s love is big and strong.	Stretch your arms wide to show how big God’s love is.	How does God show love to me?
1 — Rooted in Christ	7 Feb 24, 2026	Philippians 1:6	God will finish the good work He started in you.	Start a small craft and say, “God is still working on me!”	What good thing is God helping me with?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	8 Feb 25, 2026	Mark 1:35	Jesus prayed early in the morning.	Whisper a short prayer to God.	When can I pray today?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	9 Feb 26, 2026	Matthew 6:6	God loves when we talk to Him.	Make a quiet prayer space in your room.	What do I want to tell God?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	10 Feb 27, 2026	Psalm 119:105	God’s Word helps us know what to do.	Use a flashlight and pretend the	How does the Bible help me?

				Bible is your guide.	
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	11 Feb 28, 2026	James 1:22	God wants us to do what His Word says.	Act out a good deed (helping, sharing, cleaning).	What good thing can I do today?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	12 March 1, 2026	1 Thessalonians 5:17	We can pray anytime!	Say a one-sentence prayer every time you wash your hands today.	When do I like praying?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	13 March 2, 2026	Matthew 6:16–18	Fasting helps us focus on God.	Give up one treat today and thank God instead.	What can I give up for God?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	14 March 3, 2026	Hebrews 4:12	God's Word is alive and powerful.	Decorate a Bible verse on paper.	What is my favorite Bible verse?
3 — Identity in Christ	15 March 4, 2026	Genesis 1:27	God made you special and in His image.	Draw a picture of yourself and write "God made me!"	What makes me special?
3 — Identity in Christ	16 March 5, 2026	1 Peter 2:9	You are chosen by God.	Make a crown and write "God's Child."	How does it feel to be chosen?
3 — Identity in Christ	17 March 6, 2026	Romans 8:14–17	We are part of God's family.	Make a family tree and add "God" at the top.	What do I love about God's family?
3 — Identity in Christ	18 March 7, 2026	Ephesians 2:10	God made you to do good things.	Do one good thing for someone today.	What good thing can I do?
3 — Identity in Christ	19 March 8, 2026	2 Corinthians 5:17	Jesus makes us new.	Crumple a paper, then smooth it out—God gives new starts.	What new thing is God doing in me?
3 — Identity in Christ	20 March 9, 2026	Galatians 2:20	Jesus lives in us.	Draw a heart and write "Jesus lives here."	How can I show Jesus' love?
3 — Identity in Christ	21 March 10, 2026	John 1:12	We are God's children.	Make a "Child of God" badge.	What does it mean to be God's child?

4—Following Jesus	22 March 11, 2026	Luke 9:23	Following Jesus means choosing Him every day.	Make a footprint trail with paper.	How can I follow Jesus today?
4—Following Jesus	23 March 12, 2026	Matthew 16:24–26	Jesus wants us to choose Him over everything.	Draw a heart choosing Jesus.	Why is Jesus important to me?
4—Following Jesus	24 March 13, 2026	John 10:27	Jesus is our Shepherd.	Pretend to follow a leader like sheep.	How do I listen to Jesus?
4—Following Jesus	25 March 14, 2026	Matthew 5:14–16	We are lights for Jesus.	Turn on a flashlight and say, “I shine for Jesus!”	How can I shine today?
4—Following Jesus	26 March 15, 2026	Micah 6:8	God wants us to be kind and fair.	Do one kind thing today.	How can I be kind?
4—Following Jesus	27 March 16, 2026	Matthew 22:37–39	Love God and love others.	Make a heart for someone you love.	Who can I love today?
4—Following Jesus	28 March 17, 2026	Philippians 2:5	Think like Jesus.	Make a “What Would Jesus Do?” bracelet.	What would Jesus do today?
5—Growing Fruit	29 March 18, 2026	Galatians 5:22–23	God grows good fruit in us.	Draw fruit and label each one with a good trait.	What fruit do I show?
5—Growing Fruit	30 March 19, 2026	John 15:8	God is happy when we grow.	Plant a seed or pretend to plant one.	How am I growing?
5—Growing Fruit	31 March 20, 2026	2 Peter 1:5–8	God wants us to keep learning and growing.	Write one thing you want to learn about God.	What do I want to learn?
5—Growing Fruit	32 March 21, 2026	James 3:17	God gives wisdom.	Draw a lightbulb and write “God helps me think!”	When do I need God’s wisdom?
5—Growing Fruit	33 March 22, 2026	Romans 12:2	God helps us think in new ways.	Make a “new thoughts” list.	What new thought can I think today?
5—Growing Fruit	34 March 23, 2026	Colossians 3:12–14	God wants us to be loving and kind.	Make a kindness chain	How can I show kindness?

				with paper strips.	
5 — Growing Fruit	35 March 24, 2026	Matthew 7:17–20	Good trees make good fruit.	Draw a tree with good fruit words.	What good fruit do I show?
Holy Week	36 — Palm Sunday March 25, 2026	Matthew 21:1–11	People praised Jesus as King.	Wave a paper palm branch.	How can I praise Jesus?
Holy Week	37 — Monday March 26, 2026	Matthew 21:12–17	Jesus wants God's house to be special.	Clean a small area in your home.	How can I honor God?
Holy Week	38 — Tuesday March 27, 2026	Matthew 22:34–40	Jesus teaches us to love God and others.	Make a heart for someone.	Who can I love today?
Holy Week	39 — Wednesday March 28, 2026	Matthew 26:6–13	A woman gave Jesus her best gift.	Draw a gift for Jesus.	What can I give Jesus?
Holy Week	40 — Holy Thursday March 29, 2026	John 13:1–17	Jesus washed His friends' feet to show love.	Help someone at home.	How can I serve others?

SECTION 2 — MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL (40 DAYS)

Relatable examples ~ Short journaling ~ Practical challenges

Week	Day	Scripture	Reading	Activity	Reflection
1 — Rooted in Christ	1 Feb 18, 2026	Colossians 2:6–7	Being rooted in Christ means building your life on Him, not on trends or feelings.	Write down three things that help your faith grow.	Which of my “roots” need strengthening?
1 — Rooted in Christ	2 Feb 19, 2026	Psalm 1:1–3	God wants you planted in places and friendships that help you grow.	List one influence you need more of—and one you need less of.	What helps me stay spiritually healthy?
1 — Rooted in Christ	3 Feb 20, 2026	John 15:4–5	Staying connected to Jesus helps you make wise choices.	Identify five ways to stay connected to God during the school day.	When do I feel closest to God?
1 — Rooted in Christ	4 Feb 21, 2026	Matthew 28:18–20	Jesus calls you to be a disciple who helps others know Him.	Write a short encouraging message to someone.	Who can I encourage toward Jesus?
1 — Rooted in Christ	5 Feb 22, 2026	Acts 1:8	God gives you power to live boldly for Him.	Write one area where you need God’s strength.	Where do I need courage?
1 — Rooted in Christ	6 Feb 23, 2026	Ephesians 3:16–19	God’s love is bigger than anything you can imagine.	Draw a heart and fill it with words describing God’s love.	How has God shown love to me?
1 — Rooted in Christ	7 Feb 24, 2026	Philippians 1:6	God is still working on you—He’s not finished.	Write a prayer asking God to grow you.	What is God developing in me?
2 — Spiritual Disciplines	8 Feb 25, 2026	Mark 1:35	Jesus made time to pray—even when life was busy.	Set a 2 minute timer and pray without distractions.	When can I make time for God?

2—Spiritual Disciplines	9 Feb 26, 2026	Matthew 6:6	God values honest, private prayer.	Create a small “prayer corner” in your room.	What do I need to talk to God about?
2—Spiritual Disciplines	10 Feb 27, 2026	Psalm 119:105	God’s Word helps you make decisions.	Highlight or write down one verse that guides you.	How does the Bible guide me?
2—Spiritual Disciplines	11 Feb 28, 2026	James 1:22	Don’t just hear God’s Word—do it.	Choose one verse to live out today.	What action can I take?
2—Spiritual Disciplines	12 March 1, 2026	1 Thessalonians 5:17	Prayer can happen anywhere, anytime.	Say a short prayer every time you check your phone today.	How can I pray more often?
2—Spiritual Disciplines	13 March 2, 2026	Matthew 6:16–18	Fasting helps us focus on God.	Give up one thing today (snack, screen time, etc.).	What distracts me from God?
2—Spiritual Disciplines	14 March 3, 2026	Hebrews 4:12	God’s Word is powerful and alive.	Write down one verse that feels “alive” to you.	What is God saying to me?
3—Identity in Christ	15 March 4, 2026	Genesis 1:27	You are made in God’s image—on purpose.	List five things you like about how God made you.	What makes me unique?
3—Identity in Christ	16 March 5, 2026	1 Peter 2:9	You are chosen, royal, and called by God.	Write “God chose me” somewhere you’ll see it.	How does being chosen change how I see myself?
3—Identity in Christ	17 March 6, 2026	Romans 8:14–17	You belong to God’s family.	Write a thank you prayer for being God’s child.	What does it mean to belong to God?
3—Identity in Christ	18 March 7, 2026	Ephesians 2:10	God created you for good works.	Do one good thing for someone today.	What good can I do this week?
3—Identity in Christ	19 March 8, 2026	2 Corinthians 5:17	Jesus makes you new.	Write down one old habit you want God to change.	What new thing is God doing in me?

3—Identity in Christ	20 March 9, 2026	Galatians 2:20	Christ lives in you.	Draw a heart and write “Christ in me.”	How can I show Christ today?
3—Identity in Christ	21 March 10, 2026	John 1:12	You are God’s child.	Write a list of blessings God has given you.	What does being God’s child mean to me?
4—Following Jesus	22 March 11, 2026	Luke 9:23	Following Jesus takes daily commitment.	Write one thing you will “take up” today for Jesus.	What does following Jesus look like for me?
4—Following Jesus	23 March 12, 2026	Matthew 16:24–26	Jesus wants us to choose Him over everything.	Make a list of things that compete for your attention.	What do I need to let go of?
4—Following Jesus	24 March 13, 2026	John 10:27	Jesus knows you and leads you.	Spend 3 minutes in silence listening for God.	How do I hear God’s voice?
4—Following Jesus	25 March 14, 2026	Matthew 5:14–16	You are a light in the world.	Write one way you can shine at school.	How can I shine today?
4—Following Jesus	26 March 15, 2026	Micah 6:8	God wants us to be fair, kind, and humble.	Do one act of kindness today.	How can I be more like Jesus?
4—Following Jesus	27 March 16, 2026	Matthew 22:37–39	Love God. Love people.	Write a note or text to encourage someone.	Who needs love today?
4—Following Jesus	28 March 17, 2026	Philippians 2:5	Think like Jesus.	Write “What would Jesus think?” on a sticky note.	What thought do I need to change?
5—Growing Fruit	29 March 18, 2026	Galatians 5:22–23	God grows good fruit in you.	Circle the fruit of the Spirit you want to grow.	What fruit do I show?
5—Growing Fruit	30 March 19, 2026	John 15:8	God is pleased when we grow.	Write one way you’ve grown this year.	How am I growing?
5—Growing Fruit	31 March 20, 2026	2 Peter 1:5–8	Growth takes effort and practice.	Choose one quality to practice today.	What do I need to add to my faith?

5 — Growing Fruit	32 March 21, 2026	James 3:17	God gives wisdom.	Write a prayer asking for wisdom.	When do I need God's wisdom?
5 — Growing Fruit	33 March 22, 2026	Romans 12:2	God transforms your mind.	Replace one negative thought with a truth from Scripture.	What thought needs renewing?
5 — Growing Fruit	34 March 23, 2026	Colossians 3:12–14	God wants us to be loving and kind.	Write a kindness plan for today.	How can I show love?
5 — Growing Fruit	35 March 24, 2026	Matthew 7:17–20	Good trees produce good fruit.	List the “fruit” you want to grow.	What fruit is God growing in me?
Holy Week	36 — Palm Sunday March 25, 2026	Palm Sunday (Matthew 21:1–11)	People celebrated Jesus as King.	Write a praise to Jesus.	How can I honor Jesus?
Holy Week	37 — Monday March 26, 2026	Monday (Matthew 21:12–17)	Jesus wants God's house to be respected.	Clean your room or a shared space.	How can I honor God's space?
Holy Week	38 — Tuesday March 27, 2026	Tuesday (Matthew 22:34–40)	Love God. Love people.	Do something loving for someone today.	Who can I love today?
Holy Week	39 — Wednesday March 28, 2026	Wednesday (Matthew 26:6–13)	A woman gave Jesus her best.	Write what your “best” for Jesus looks like.	What can I give Jesus?
Holy Week	40 — Holy Thursday March 29, 2026	Holy Thursday (John 13:1–17)	Jesus served others with humility.	Serve someone at home today.	How can I serve like Jesus?

SECTION 3— HIGH SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL (40 DAYS)

Deep reflection ~ Real-life application ~ Identity formation

Week	Day	Scripture	Reading	Activity	Reflection
1	1 Feb 18, 2026	Colossians 2:6–7	A rooted faith isn't shallow or seasonal. It's steady, grounded, and growing.	Journal what currently shapes your identity—Christ or culture?	Where do I need deeper roots?
1	2 Feb 19, 2026	Psalm 1:1–3	Your environment influences your spiritual growth.	Evaluate your friend groups—who helps you grow, and who pulls you away?	What does “fruitfulness” look like in my life?
1	3 Feb 20, 2026	John 15:4–5	You cannot grow spiritually without staying connected to Christ.	Choose one spiritual discipline to practice daily this week.	What keeps me from abiding in Christ?
1	4 Feb 21, 2026	Matthew 28:18–20	Discipleship is active—Jesus calls you to influence others.	Write down one person you can encourage toward Christ.	How can I live as a disciple today?
1	5 Feb 22, 2026	Acts 1:8	God empowers you to live boldly.	Identify one area where you need courage.	Where do I need God's power?
1	6 Feb 23, 2026	Ephesians 3:16–19	God's love is deeper than your doubts, fears, or mistakes.	Write a prayer asking God to help you understand His love.	How has God shown His love to me?
1	7 Feb 24, 2026	Philippians 1:6	God is still working on you—your story isn't finished.	List three areas where you want to grow spiritually.	What is God developing in me?
2	8 Feb 25, 2026	Mark 1:35	Jesus made time for prayer—even when life was busy.	Set aside 5 minutes of quiet prayer today.	What keeps me from spending time with God?

2	9 Feb 26, 2026	Matthew 6:6	God values honest, private prayer.	Write a private prayer in your journal.	What do I need to talk to God about?
2	10 Feb 27, 2026	Psalm 119:105	God's Word guides your decisions.	Choose a verse to memorize this week.	How does Scripture guide my choices?
2	11 Feb 28, 2026	James 1:22	Faith requires action.	Identify one verse you will live out today.	What step of obedience is God asking of me?
2	12 March 1, 2026	1 Thessalonians 5:17	Prayer is a lifestyle, not a moment.	Say a short prayer every time you unlock your phone today.	How can I stay connected to God throughout the day?
2	13 March 2, 2026	Matthew 6:16–18	Fasting helps you focus on God.	Give up one thing today (social media, snacks, music, etc.).	What distracts me from God?
2	14 March 3, 2026	Hebrews 4:12	God's Word is alive and speaks to your life.	Highlight a verse that stands out and write why.	What is God saying to me through His Word?
3	15 March 4, 2026	Genesis 1:27	You are made in God's image—valuable and intentional.	Write five things you appreciate about how God made you.	How does knowing I'm made by God change how I see myself?
3	16 March 5, 2026	1 Peter 2:9	You are chosen, royal, and called.	Write "God chose me" somewhere you'll see it daily.	What does being chosen mean to me?
3	17 March 6, 2026	Romans 8:14–17	You belong to God's family.	Write a thank you prayer for being God's child.	What does belonging to God give me?
3	18 March 7, 2026	Ephesians 2:10	You were created for purpose.	List three gifts or talents God has given you.	How can I use my gifts for God?
3	19 March 8, 2026	2 Corinthians 5:17	In Christ, you are made new.	Write down one old habit you want God to change.	What new thing is God doing in me?

3	20 March 9, 2026	Galatians 2:20	Christ lives in you—your life has meaning.	Draw a heart and write “Christ in me.”	How can I show Christ today?
3	21 March 10, 2026	John 1:12	You are God’s child with full access to His love.	Write a list of blessings God has given you.	What does being God’s child mean to me?
4	22 March 11, 2026	Luke 9:23	Following Jesus requires daily commitment.	Write one thing you will “take up” today for Jesus.	What does following Jesus look like in my life?
4	23 March 12, 2026	Matthew 16:24–26	Jesus wants us to choose Him over everything else.	List the things that compete for your attention.	What do I need to surrender?
4	24 March 13, 2026	John 10:27	Jesus knows you and leads you.	Spend 3 minutes in silence listening for God.	How do I hear God’s voice?
4	25 March 14, 2026	Matthew 5:14–16	You are a light in the world.	Write one way you can shine at school or home.	How can I shine today?
4	26 March 15, 2026	Micah 6:8	God calls you to justice, kindness, and humility.	Do one act of kindness today.	How can I be more like Jesus?
4	27 March 16, 2026	Matthew 22:37–39	Love God. Love people.	Write a note or message to encourage someone.	Who needs love today?
4	28 March 17, 2026	Philippians 2:5	Think like Jesus.	Write “What would Jesus think?” on a sticky note.	What thought do I need to change?
5	29 March 18, 2026	Galatians 5:22–23	God grows good fruit in you.	Circle the fruit of the Spirit you want to grow.	What fruit do I show?
5	30 March 19, 2026	John 15:8	God is pleased when you grow.	Write one way you’ve grown this year.	How am I growing?
5	31 March 20, 2026	2 Peter 1:5–8	Growth takes effort and practice.	Choose one quality to practice today.	What do I need to add to my faith?

5	32 March 21, 2026	James 3:17	God gives wisdom.	Write a prayer asking for wisdom.	When do I need God's wisdom?
5	33 March 22, 2026	Romans 12:2	God transforms your mind.	Replace one negative thought with a truth from Scripture.	What thought needs renewing?
5	34 March 23, 2026	Colossians 3:12–14	God calls you to compassion, kindness, and love.	Write a kindness plan for today.	How can I show love?
5	35 March 24, 2026	Matthew 7:17–20	Good trees produce good fruit.	List the “fruit” you want to grow.	What fruit is God growing in me?
Holy Week	36 — Palm Sunday March 25, 2026	Palm Sunday (Matthew 21:1–11)	Jesus is the King who deserves our praise.	Write a personal praise to Jesus.	How can I honor Jesus?
Holy Week	37 — Monday March 26, 2026	Monday (Matthew 21:12–17)	Jesus wants God's house to be respected.	Clean your room or a shared space.	How can I honor God's space?
Holy Week	38 — Tuesday March 27, 2026	Tuesday (Matthew 22:34–40)	Love God. Love people.	Do something loving for someone today.	Who can I love today?
Holy Week	39 — Wednesday March 28, 2026	Wednesday (Matthew 26:6–13)	A woman gave Jesus her best.	Write what your “best” for Jesus looks like.	What can I give Jesus?
Holy Week	40 — Holy Thursday March 29, 2026	Holy Thursday (John 13:1–17)	Jesus served others with humility.	Serve someone at home today.	How can I serve like Jesus?

SECTION 4 — ADULT DEVOTIONAL (40 DAYS)
Spiritual depth ~ Discipleship focus ~ Kingdom purpose

Week	Day	Scripture	Reading	Activity	Reflection
WEEK 1 — ROOTED IN CHRIST	1 Feb 18, 2026	Colossians 2:6–7	A rooted disciple is one who walks consistently with Christ, allowing Him to shape their character and direction.	Identify one spiritual habit you will strengthen during Lent.	Where is God calling me to deepen my roots?
WEEK 1	2 Feb 19, 2026	Psalm 1:1–3	Fruitfulness is the natural result of a life planted in God's Word.	Evaluate your spiritual environment—what nourishes you and what drains you?	What does spiritual fruit look like in this season?
WEEK 1	3 Feb 20, 2026	John 15:4–5	Abiding is not passive; it is a daily choice to remain connected to Christ.	Establish a daily abiding rhythm (prayer, Scripture, silence).	What competes with my connection to Christ?
WEEK 1	4 Feb 21, 2026	Matthew 28:18–20	Discipleship is not optional—it is the mission of every believer.	Identify one person you can intentionally disciple or encourage.	How am I living out the Great Commission?
WEEK 1	5 Feb 22, 2026	Acts 1:8	The Holy Spirit empowers believers to witness boldly.	Pray for boldness in one specific area of your life.	Where do I need God's power?
WEEK 1	6 Feb 23, 2026	Ephesians 3:16–19	God's love is immeasurable and transformative.	Meditate on God's love for five minutes in silence.	How has God's love strengthened me?
WEEK 1	7 Feb 24, 2026	Philippians 1:6	God is committed to completing His work in you.	Write a gratitude list of ways God has grown you.	What is God developing in me?

WEEK 2 — SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES	8 Feb 25, 2026	Mark 1:35	Jesus modeled intentional solitude and prayer.	Schedule one uninterrupted prayer time today.	What keeps me from intentional prayer?
WEEK 2	9 Feb 26, 2026	Matthew 6:6	Private prayer cultivates intimacy with God.	Write a private prayer in your journal.	What do I need to bring honestly before God?
WEEK 2	10 Feb 27, 2026	Psalm 119:105	Scripture illuminates the path of discipleship.	Choose a verse to memorize this week.	How is God's Word guiding my decisions?
WEEK 2	11 Feb 28, 2026	James 1:22	Obedience is the evidence of true discipleship.	Identify one command of Scripture you will practice today.	What step of obedience is God asking of me?
WEEK 2	12 March 1, 2026	1 Thessalonians 5:17	Prayer is a continual posture of the heart.	Offer short prayers throughout the day.	How can I cultivate a lifestyle of prayer?
WEEK 2	13 March 2, 2026	Matthew 6:16–18	Fasting refocuses the heart on God.	Fast from one distraction today.	What competes for my attention?
WEEK 2	14 March 3, 2026	Hebrews 4:12	God's Word discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.	Reflect on a verse that convicts or challenges you.	What is God revealing in me?
WEEK 3 — IDENTITY IN CHRIST	15 March 4, 2026	Genesis 1:27	You are created in God's image with purpose and dignity.	Write affirmations rooted in Scripture about your identity.	How does knowing I'm made in God's image shape my life?
WEEK 3	16 March 5, 2026	1 Peter 2:9	You are chosen, royal, and called to declare God's goodness.	Write a testimony of God's work in your life.	What does being chosen mean to me?
WEEK 3	17 March 6, 2026	Romans 8:14–17	You are a child of God with full access to His love and inheritance.	Pray a prayer of gratitude for spiritual adoption.	What does belonging to God give me?

WEEK 3	18 March 7, 2026	Ephesians 2:10	You are God's workmanship, created for good works.	Identify one good work you can do today.	How am I using my gifts for God's glory?
WEEK 3	19 March 8, 2026	2 Corinthians 5:17	In Christ, you are made new—your past does not define you.	Write down one old mindset you are releasing.	What new thing is God doing in me?
WEEK 3	20 March 9, 2026	Galatians 2:20	Christ lives in you—your life is a testimony of His grace.	Reflect on how Christ has transformed your life.	How can I reflect Christ today?
WEEK 3	21 March 10, 2026	John 1:12	You are God's child, fully loved and accepted.	List the blessings of being God's child.	What does being God's child mean to me?
WEEK 4 — FOLLOWING JESUS	22 March 11, 2026	Luke 9:23	Following Jesus requires daily surrender.	Identify one area you need to surrender to God.	What does following Jesus look like in this season?
WEEK 4	23 March 12, 2026	Matthew 16:24–26	Discipleship requires sacrifice and commitment.	Write down what you need to release to follow Christ more fully.	What competes for first place in my life?
WEEK 4	24 March 13, 2026	John 10:27	Jesus leads His sheep, and His sheep listen.	Spend five minutes in silence listening for God.	How do I recognize God's voice?
WEEK 4	25 March 14, 2026	Matthew 5:14– 16	You are called to shine God's light in the world.	Identify one place where you can shine this week.	How can I reflect God's light today?
WEEK 4	26 March 15, 2026	Micah 6:8	God calls you to justice, kindness, and humility.	Perform one intentional act of kindness.	How can I walk humbly with God?
WEEK 4	27 March 16, 2026	Matthew 22:37–39	Love is the foundation of discipleship.	Reach out to someone who needs encouragement.	How can I love God and others more deeply?
WEEK 4	28 March 17, 2026	Philippians 2:5	Discipleship begins with the mind of Christ.	Identify one thought pattern that needs renewing.	What mindset is God transforming?

WEEK 5 — GROWING FRUIT	29 March 18, 2026	Galatians 5:22–23	The fruit of the Spirit is evidence of spiritual maturity.	Choose one fruit to intentionally practice today.	What fruit is God growing in me?
WEEK 5	30 March 19, 2026	John 15:8	God is glorified when your life bears fruit.	Write down one area where you've grown recently.	How am I bringing God glory?
WEEK 5	31 March 20, 2026	2 Peter 1:5–8	Growth requires effort, discipline, and intentionality.	Choose one quality to strengthen this week.	What do I need to add to my faith?
WEEK 5	32 March 21, 2026	James 3:17	God's wisdom is pure, peace-loving, and sincere.	Pray for wisdom in one specific decision.	Where do I need God's wisdom?
WEEK 5	33 March 22, 2026	Romans 12:2	Transformation begins with a renewed mind.	Replace one negative thought with a biblical truth.	What thought is God renewing?
WEEK 5	34 March 23, 2026	Colossians 3:12–14	Love binds all virtues together in perfect unity.	Practice one intentional act of compassion.	How can I show Christlike love?
WEEK 5	35 March 24, 2026	Matthew 7:17–20	A disciple's life is known by its fruit.	Evaluate your spiritual fruit honestly.	What fruit is evident in my life?
HOLY WEEK	36 — Palm Sunday March 25, 2026	Matthew 21:1–11	Jesus enters Jerusalem as the promised King.	Write a personal praise to Jesus.	How can I honor Jesus as King?
HOLY WEEK	37 — Monday March 26, 2026	Matthew 21:12–17	Jesus purifies the temple—He desires holiness.	Clean or declutter a space as a symbol of spiritual cleansing.	What needs cleansing in my heart?
HOLY WEEK	38 — Tuesday March 27, 2026	Matthew 22:34–40	Love is the greatest commandment.	Show love to someone intentionally today.	Who is God calling me to love?
HOLY WEEK	39 — Wednesday	Matthew 26:6–13	The woman gave Jesus her	Identify what "your best"	What can I offer Jesus?

	March 28, 2026		best—an act of worship.	looks like in this season.	
HOLY WEEK	40 — Holy Thursday March 29, 2026	John 13:1-17	Jesus models servant leadership by washing His disciples' feet.	Serve someone in a meaningful way today.	How can I serve like Jesus?

LENT ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR MOBC (Optional)

Activity	Week/Theme	Prompt/Question	Action
Root Check Testimony	Week 1 (Rooted in Christ)	Where is God strengthening your roots?	2-3 members answer themed question
Root Check Testimony	Week 2 (Spiritual Disciplines)	What discipline helped you grow this week?	2-3 members answer themed question
Root Check Testimony	Week 3 (Identity in Christ)	What truth about who you are in Christ became real this week?	2-3 members answer themed question
Root Check Testimony	Week 4 (Following Jesus)	How did you follow Jesus in a new way?	2-3 members answer themed question
Root Check Testimony	Week 5 (Growing Fruit)	What fruit of the Spirit did you see God growing in you?	2-3 members answer themed question
One Scripture, One Sentence	Any Sunday during Testimony or Wednesday during Bible Study	One Scripture from the week, one sentence about what it meant	Members stand and share
Acts of Kindness Roll Call	Any Sunday during Testimony or Wednesday during Bible Study	One act of kindness they did, one act they received	Members call out
Fruit Sightings	Any Sunday during Testimony or Wednesday during Bible Study	Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-control	Members share where they saw these
Midweek Check-In Poll	Any Sunday during Testimony or Wednesday during Bible Study	Which Scripture challenged you most? Which spiritual discipline did you practice? Which fruit of the Spirit was hardest?	Show of hands or online poll

3-Minute Table Talk / Breakout Rooms	Any Sunday during Testimony or Wednesday during Bible Study	Share one moment felt close to God; one moment struggled to stay rooted	Prompted sharing
Scripture Spotlight	Any Sunday during Testimony or Wednesday during Bible Study	What does this teach about discipleship? How can we live this out before next Wednesday?	Choose one Scripture, discuss
Lent Challenge of the Week	Week 1	Spend 5 minutes in silence with God daily	Challenge given
Lent Challenge of the Week	Week 2	Fast from one distraction for 24 hours	Challenge given
Lent Challenge of the Week	Week 3	Speak one affirmation of your identity in Christ each morning	Challenge given
Lent Challenge of the Week	Week 4	Do one act of obedience you may have been delaying	Challenge given
Lent Challenge of the Week	Week 5	Practice one fruit of the Spirit intentionally each day	Challenge given
Daily Root Reflection	Anytime	One thing God revealed, challenged, strengthened	Journal daily
Scripture Mapping	Anytime	What it says about God, you, what it calls you to do	Choose one Scripture, map
Lent Gratitude Log	Anytime	Three things you are grateful for; one way God showed love	Write daily
Fruit Tracker	Anytime	Which fruit of the Spirit practiced, where struggled, where saw God at work	Note daily
Holy Week Service Plan	Anytime	One person to serve, one sacrifice to make, one way to honor Jesus	Journal