

# Bible Reading Plan 2023



Dear River of Life Community Church

Although it is a life-long process, at least three things are necessary for us to grow as Christians.

1. Prayer
2. Reading the Bible
3. Fellowship with other Christians

As a church, during 2022 we have made quite a big emphasis on Prayer and will continue to do so. But in 2023 we also want to focus more on reading the Bible. There are numerous ways to do this, but there is something special about reading the same sections of the Bible together and then sharing/discussing what we have learnt from them. This is what we plan to do in 2023 and hope you will join in. Of course, if you already have your own preferred Bible Reading Plan then don't feel you have to stop that, but rather try to add onto it our RoLCC Plan as well – you can never read too much of the Bible!

If you consider yourself to be part of the River of Life Community Church Family, then during 2023 you are strongly encouraged to join in our Church Bible Reading Plan. Ideally you will also participate in a Connect Group to enable you to discuss and share what you have learnt; that's also part of fellowship. We will endeavour to create space on alternate Sundays for a couple of people to briefly share their thoughts, but it will be done far more fully in our Connect Groups.

There will be six Bible passages to read per week, with Sundays off for you to have a break or catch up as may be necessary. Remember that although people wrote the Bible, they did so under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and only He can help us truly understand it. "The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned." 1 Corinthians 2:14

It is recommended that you do the following:

- Before you read the passage for the day, pray and ask God to help you understand it. If you wish Psalm 119:18 can be used as a simple short prayer "*Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.*"
- Make brief notes every day on what you read based on the questions below, plus anything else that might come to mind as you read the section for the day.
  - a. What does this passage tell me about God the Father, Jesus & the Holy Spirit?
  - b. What does this passage tell me about others and myself?
  - c. What does this passage tell me about how I should live my life today?
  - d. What other questions does this passage raise for me?
- In your Connect Group share and discuss the Bible passages from the previous week using the notes that you have made about them. That way we can encourage and build each other up as we grow together in our knowledge and love of God.
- The reading plan begins on 1<sup>st</sup> January in the Gospel of Luke and this will take us through to the 25<sup>th</sup> February. After that we will start looking at the life of Abraham since he is a key person in the Old Testament.

The daily reading plan for Luke is on the back of this letter and we look forward to you joining this venture as a church family together.

With warmest Christian love

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Alex

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Bill", written in a cursive style.

Bill

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Nicola

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Paul", written in a cursive style.

Paul

### January

**Sun 1**

Mon 2 Luke 1:1-25

Tues 3 Luke 1:26-56

Weds 4 Luke 1:57-80

Thurs 5 Luke 2:1-20

Fri 6 Luke 2:21-52

Sat 7 Luke 3:1-38

**Sun 8**

Mon 9 Luke 4:1-30

Tues 10 Luke 4:31-44

Weds 11 Luke 5:1-16

Thurs 12 Luke 5:17-39

Fri 13 Luke 6:1-26

Sat 14 Luke 6:27-49

**Sun 15**

Mon 16 Luke 7:1-17

Tues 17 Luke 7:18-35

Weds 18 Luke 7:36-50

Thurs 19 Luke 8:1-25

Fri 20 Luke 8:26-56

Sat 21 Luke 9:1-17

**Sun 22**

Mon 23 Luke 9:18-45

Tues 24 Luke 9:46-62

Weds 25 Luke 10:1-24

Thurs 26 Luke 10:25-42

Fri 27 Luke 11:1-28

Sat 28 Luke 11:29-54

**Sun 29**

Mon 30 Luke 12:1-34

Tues 31 Luke 12:35-59

### February

Weds 1 Luke 13:1-17

Thurs 2 Luke 13:18-35

Fri 3 Luke 14:1-14

Sat 4 Luke 14:15-35

**Sun 5**

Mon 6 Luke 15:1-32

Tues 7 Luke 16:1-31

Weds 8 Luke 17:1-19

Thurs 9 Luke 17:20-37

Fri 10 Luke 18:1-17

Sat 11 Luke 18:18-43

**Sun 12**

Mon 13 Luke 19:1-27

Tues 14 Luke 19:28-48

Weds 15 Luke 20:1-26

Thurs 16 Luke 20:27-47

Fri 17 Luke 21:1-38

Sat 18 Luke 22:1-6 + Matt 26:14-16

**Sun 19**

Mon 20 Luke 22:7-38

Tues 21 Luke 22:39-65

Weds 22 Luke 22:66-71 + 23:1-25

Thurs 23 Luke 23:26-49

Fri 24 Luke 23:50-56 + 24:1-12

Sat 25 Luke 24:13-53

**Sun 26**

Mon 27 Acts 7:1-8 + Galatians 3:6-14

Tues 28 Hebrews 11:8-19