**A VALUE VITAL TO OUR FUTURE AS A CHURCH:**

**PRAYING FOR YOUR NEXT SR. PASTOR**

**1. GOD’S WORD INSTRUCTS IT**

**1 Timothy 2:1-2**

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— **2**for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

**1 Thessalonians 5:12-13**

Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. **13**Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other.

**2. A QUARTERBACK TAKES UNIQUE HITS.**

**2 Timothy 3:12**

In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted…

**1 Peter 5:8**

…Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

**Luke 22:31-32**

“Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. **32**But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail.

**3. WHEN A LEADER FALLS, A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE SHAKEN.**

**4. PEOPLE TEND TO RESIST AUTHORITY.**

**Hebrews 13:17**

Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.

**5. A PASTOR IS A CONDUIT FOR GOD’S WORD.**

**James 3:1**

Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly.

**6. SPIRITUAL READINESS REQUIRES CONSTANT DISCIPLINE.**

**2 Timothy 4:2**

Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

**7. THE PASTOR IS THE CARETAKER OF THE CHURCH’S MISSION.**

For Personal Reflection…

1. If someone asked you later this week, “Did you hear a word from God during this weekend’s worship service?” how would you respond?
2. If you were to change one thing in your life that would improve your prayer life, what would it be?
3. Do you share your needs with anyone to pray for you? It’s midnight and you are in a crisis, who do you call to pray for you? Why them?
4. Are you in the habit of sharing with the Elders how they could be praying for you and your family each week? If not, would you consider using the prayer request card each week to let them know what things they could pray for you?
5. Have you ever put a comment on the information card to encourage the pastor or the worship team or the leadership?
6. Would you set some time one day each week when you will pray for the next Sr. Pastor of Kings Harbor Church?

What day? (circle one) Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat