

2025 PRAYER GUIDE

MARCH 9 Church Revitalization

Lifeway Research reports that 18.5% of Southern Baptist churches are growing, 42.5% are plateaued, and 39% are declining. Churches founded in the 20th century are the most likely to be declining—45% of those started between 1950 and 1999 and 39% of those that began between 1900 and 1949. Focus on praying for leaders to be filled with the Holy Spirit, a renewed passion for sharing the Gospel, a commitment to biblical teaching, outreach to the community, and a focus on discipleship, asking God to draw new believers and strengthen existing members in their faith.

Ezekiel 37:1-3

"The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know."