

F.A.Q.

What is the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast?

The purpose of the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is to provide an opportunity for members of the Carlsbad community to come together to pray and reflect on faith.

A prayer breakfast was historically held in Carlsbad every year, but the event ceased for several decades. In 2012, Carlsbad resident Ron Griffith took his vision of again promoting the Biblical concepts of community unity to Carlsbad Mayor Dale Janway, and the prayer breakfast was re-established. After a two year hiatus due to COVID-19, the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast was again re-established in 2022 by a local group of pastors and volunteers. Carlsbad Mayor Dale Janway proudly supports the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast.

When and where will this year's Mayor's Prayer Breakfast take place?

The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast in Carlsbad will be held in conjunction with National Day of Prayer, which will take place May 4, 2023, from 6:30-9 a.m. It will be held at the Walter Gerrells Performing Arts Center (4012 National Parks Highway). Doors will open at 6 a.m. We will begin serving breakfast at 6:30 a.m. The ceremony will start at 7:30 a.m.

Who is the keynote speaker/performer this year?

We're honored to have Christian musician Danny Gokey as this year's keynote speaker and performer. Gokey was the third-place finalist on the eighth season of American Idol. He began a career in country music but later gravitated toward pop/contemporary Christian music and has become one of the most popular and well-known artists today.

Gokey's eighth album, *Jesus People*, was released on August 20, 2022.

What's unique about this year's Mayor's Prayer Breakfast?

The 2023 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Committee decided to depart from its past practice of only reserving attendance for sponsors. Admission to the 2023 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be **FREE** and **OPEN to ALL who want to attend!** Reserving a ticket will help to ensure that enough breakfast will be made available for all attendees. Free admission tickets can be used for any seat at any table marked OPEN SEATING on the morning of the event.

Please click [here](#) to reserve your ticket. Please be sure to include contact information, so we can get you your tickets.

I want to sit with the members of my church at the event, is that OK?

Of course! Just let us know how many tickets you want. You may then either arrive as a group or have someone arrive early the day of the event to hold nearby spaces.

How do I sponsor the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast?

Thank you for asking! In order to make it possible for everyone to attend this year's event who wishes to attend, we're looking for a few sponsors to offset the costs. To sponsor, please click [here](#).

Gold Sponsor: (2 sponsorships available for \$3,000 each). Includes 2 reserved tables with excellent seating for 8 per sponsorship; banner in annex and sponsorship recognition in the program.

Silver Sponsor: (Unlimited number of sponsorships available for \$1,000.) Includes 1 reserved table with sponsorship recognition in the program.

Other contributors: *All* donations, in any other amount, are welcome and will be used to pay for the meal and the keynote speaker

Special thanks to our current sponsors this year: SB Energy (Title), Oasis (Gold), Artesia General Hospital, Calvary Assembly, Church Street Church of the Nazarene, Fuson/Cal's Shade Western. Cal's Cactus Lanes, Forrest Tire, Capitan Energy, CNB Bank, Chandler Aviation, George and Connie Dunagan, Riverview Dental Care, XTO Energy, Intrepid Potash, Pecos Valley Construction, Western Commerce Bank, SIMCO, First United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church of Carlsbad, Carlsbad First Assembly, Rhema Rehab Services, First American Bank, La Tienda, San Jose Roman Catholic Church, and Nichols Printing (Silver). Thanks as well to Carlsbad Medical Center, Denton Wood Funeral Home and Southwest Pharmacy

What's being served for breakfast? What's the agenda?

Carniceria San Juan De Los Lagos will be our caterer this year

Opening Prayer: Pastor Brad Coates, Master of Ceremonies

Presentation of Flags, Carlsbad Veterans Honor Guard

Pledge of Allegiance, Adon Rodriguez

National Anthem, Carlsbad High School Choir

Welcome and Introductions, Carlsbad Mayor Dale Janway

Keynote Speaker and Musical Performance, Danny Gokey

Following Mr. Gokey's presentation, there will be a brief period for personal prayer with those around you

Old Testament Reading, Father Juan Carlos Ramirez

Prayer for the Nations, Pastor Samuel and Crystal Mullins, New Beginnings Church of God,

Prayer for America, Pastor Ryan Nelson, Church Street Church of the Nazarene,

New Testament Reading, Pastor John W. Burke, New Song

Prayer for the City, County and State, Pastor Serina Nelson, Church Street Church of the Nazarene

Closing and Benediction, Pastor Kevin Pence, First Baptist Church

Who is on the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Committee?

Pastor Gabe Rubio (Oasis Church) is the chairman of this year's committee. The committee consists of membership representing a variety of local churches and organizations. Additional feedback is always welcome. For more information, please contact Rubio at gabe@oasiscarlsbad.com or (575) 887-1212.

May I pass out materials at the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast?

Our committee has asked that no materials be passed out or left out at the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast without prior approval of the committee. Please contact Pastor Rubio for more information.

Thank you for your interest in the 2023 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast!