

CONCERTS OF PRAYER

THE MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

INFORMATION:

The Concerts of Prayer are all-night prayer vigils attended by members of the Moody Bible Institute community and other Chicagoland colleges and universities. These extended sessions of fervent prayer reflect our heart's cry to see revival break out across our campuses and across our world.

The Concerts of Prayer consists of two parts. The first part is located in Torrey-Gray Auditorium or Dryer Auditorium (formerly, Alumni Auditorium) from 8:00–11:00pm. This is a time of corporate prayer, repentance, and worship. Doors open at 7:00pm.

The second part is for those who wish to pray through the night and is located in the Broman Chapel on the first floor of Culbertson Hall. This is a time for intercessory prayer and pursuing direction from God until approximately 6:00am.

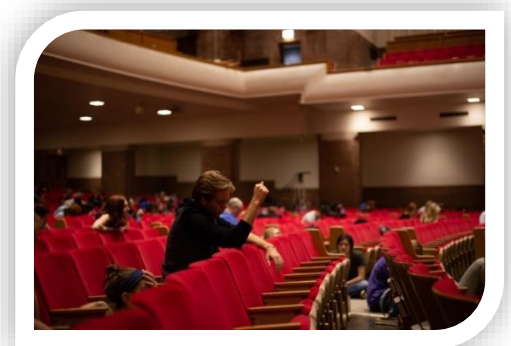
SCHEDULE FOR 2019–2020:

Fall Semester 2019:

- ❖ Friday, September 13, 2019 (Torrey-Gray)
- ❖ Friday, October 25, 2019 (Culby 1)
- ❖ Friday, November 8, 2019 (Torrey-Gray)

Spring Semester 2020:

- ❖ February 7, 2020 (Dryer Auditorium)
- ❖ March 6, 2020 (Torrey-Gray)
- ❖ April 17, 2020 (Dryer Auditorium)



OUR STORY

On Friday, February 9, 2018, the campus of Moody Bible Institute was surprised of the Lord by a 17-hour prayer meeting that broke out in Crowell 1 (under the historic archway at Moody Bible Institute), at about 2:00pm in the afternoon.

Peter Grant, one of members of the board of directors of the MBI alumni association, was scheduled to meet for prayer with Jonathan Armstrong and several student prayer leaders at 2pm in Crowell 1. The prayer meeting had been called in order to ask that the Lord would return the school to D. L. Moody's

charter for world evangelization. The prayer meeting had nearly been cancelled in anticipation of the snowstorm that arrived the night before, but Anne Graham Lotz's message on Wednesday of Founder's Week had stirred us to press forward in seeking God in prayer. Prayer continued as a theme of the conference on Thursday, when services were closed with public prayer for Greg and Grace Thornton, led by Winfred Neely, Roy Patterson, Mary Chapman, Bob Toyama, and Peter Grant.

After we knelt in prayer for a few minutes, Peter indicated to us that he believed the Lord was asking him to cancel his flight and stay and pray with us. While the rest of us remained in prayer, Peter took the elevator up to Crowell 9 and spoke with Moody's interim president, Greg Thornton, about the idea of hosting an all-night prayer vigil on campus following the final night of Founder's Week that evening. Several minutes later, Greg Thornton entered Crowell 1 and confirmed his approval of the plan and that

he would announce the opportunity at the conclusion of the final session of Founder's Week.

Following the conclusion of Founder's Week, the prayer service migrated to Alumni Auditorium, where an estimated 100 people joined together for prayer and worship from 10:00pm–12:00am; perhaps 50 people stayed on from 12:00–3:00am, and finally a small circle concluded prayer from 3:00–5:00am in Broman Chapel.

On September 14, 2018, the first prayer vigil took place. Students from Moody Bible Institute, Wheaton College, and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School met at Torrey-Gray

Auditorium to pray for revival across our institutions. There were about 300 people in attendance, and the evening began with a presentation by Rich McLaughlin from Trinity International University about the history of the past great revivals from the First Great Awakening through the twentieth century. A student from MBI then led the group in a reflection about the importance of confessing sin in the context of prayer, which then led into a time of focused repentance and confession. The night also consisted of worship and a gospel presentation by a student from Wheaton. At 11:00pm, around 50 people transitioned to Broman Chapel and continued to pray and sought the presence of the Lord through the night. We felt the presence of the Holy Spirit moving among us and sustaining us throughout the night and into the early morning.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Whether you will be attending the meetings alone or with a church group, we at the Moody Bible Institute would be happy to serve you and your group's needs in the following ways:

Parking and Visitor Passes:

Parking permits will be available at the Alumni Student Center (ASC) welcome desk (in the building with the clock tower). Attendees to the prayer vigil who are not Moody students will need to check in with the ASC desk worker and receive visitor passes. Upon arrival on campus, please park at the "Drop

Off Parking” (see the campus map below) and check in with the ASC desk worker. The ASC desk worker will then issue a visitor pass and provide directions for permanent parking. The visitor passes will be valid from 7:00pm–7:00am the following morning.

Meals on Campus

The Commons is your destination for specialty sandwiches, salads, fountain drinks, and various snacks, and is open on most Friday afternoons and evenings.

The Student Dining Room is a buffet-style cafeteria serving a variety of healthy meals and opens at 8:00am on Saturday mornings. Both the Commons and the Student Dining Room accept cash as well as major credit cards and are reasonably priced.

CAMPUS MAP

