

Prayer Guide



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PREPARE TO PRAY

As Sons and Daughters of The King of Kings, we are called to walk in Repentance, Humility and Holiness.

• Pray individually as we begin our time of prayer:

"Search me o God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Psalm 139:23-24

- Allow The Holy Spirit to search your heart and lead you in personal confession.
- Choose to walk humbly with your God (Micah 6:8)

"...Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

1 Peter 5:5

Humility Precedes Holiness!

• Choose to abide in God's call to walk in holiness

"but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy for I AM holy." 1 Peter 1:15 -16

PRAY FOR OUR NEAREST

Prayer is the heartbeat of a Christian home.

"But the mercy of The Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him, and His Righteousness to children's children."

Psalm 103:17

- Pray that unity and peace would fill our families. Pray that anything hidden in darkness, that causes disunity among our nearest, would be brought to light. (Ephesians. 4:2-3)
- Pray for protection and provision; that The Lord would bless us with His Favor and protect us from harm and evil. If any path is crooked, pray He would make it straight. (Psalm 121)
- Pray for reconciliation in broken relationships, and that The Lord would bring joy to our hearts when we think of one another. (Philippians 1:3-4)
- Pray for our nearest who are wayward or unbelieving, that they would come to a knowledge of truth. (1 Timothy 2:3-4)

PRAY FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Prayer builds bridges that connect us to our community.

"And you shall be My witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8

- Pray that we would understand that our Jerusalem is the community and the city where we live, and that God has placed all of us where we are for the purpose of growing His Kingdom in that place. (Matthew 6:10)
- May we truly love our neighbors as ourselves, and out of that love pray for them consistently and by name, desiring that each of them come to know Christ. (Matthew 22:39)
- Pray that we will build relationships with our neighbors so that we may share the good news of Christ with them. (Colossians 4:3)
- Pray that God will give us holy boldness and wisdom to clearly proclaim Jesus to our neighbors. (Colossians 4:4-6)

PRAY FOR OUR CITY

Pray for Christ to be The King in the Queen City

"For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come." Hebrews 13:14

- Pray for our city to be rescued from violence and darkness
 - o Pray for the peace of God to flood our city
 - o Pray for all leadership in our city government and for all people in policy-making positions, and all other positions of authority, to be fair and just and to be led by The Holy Spirit
- Pray for all spiritual leaders in our city:
 - o Pray for them to be equipped and empowered by God's Spirit in their calling, gifting and ministries
 - o Pray for their health and safety
 - o Pray for godly wisdom and discernment in all contacts and decisions
 - o Pray that God will keep them true to their calling
 - o Pray for joy, peace and victory in ministry in spite of difficulties and pressures
 - o Pray that our churches will be houses of prayer
- Pray for God to raise up His intercessors to intercede on behalf of our city

PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY

Prayer releases God's wisdom into our circumstances.

"If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all people." Romans 12:18

- Pray that, as a community and nation with many differences, we will be unified in purpose to live peaceably together. (Romans 12:9-21)
- Pray that as a nation we will serve our communities well, keeping in mind that we are all created in the image of God. (Genesis 1:27)
- Pray that the body of Christ will build relationships in our communities that reflect loving and serving our neighbors as ourselves and loving our enemies. (Matthew 5:44)
- Pray for unity in the body of Christ, and that the body of Christ may be one, as The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are one. (John 17:21)

PRAY FOR THE NATIONS

Prayer has the power to transform, unite and heal.

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in The Name of The Father and of The Son and of The Holy Spirit,"

Matthew 28:18-19

- Pray that we would be reminded daily that since each of us is the "imago Dei", we all bear His image and therefore have great worth regardless of our skin color or ethnicity. (Genesis 1:27)
- Pray that because of Jesus Christ's death on the cross walls would be torn down that divide us from others that are not like us. (Ephesians 2:14)
- Pray that since Jesus has all authority and has torn down the dividing walls between all people all Christians will obey His great commission and reach out with the Gospel to all people; whether they live across the street or across the world.

PRAY FOR SPIRITUAL REVIVAL

Prayer is at the heart of every spiritual revival.

"If My people, who are called by My Name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My Face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14

Pray: Father we come in Jesus' Name asking for you to send The Holy Spirit to convict us of our sin, that we might repent and once again:

- Love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our mind and with all our strength....and love our neighbor as we love ourselves. (Mark 12:30-31)
- Abide daily in Jesus as the branch abides in the vine. (John 15:5)
- Pray that we will be salt and light for the darkness which surrounds us. (Matthew 5:13-16)
- Pray that we will live for the praise of His Glory! (Ephesians 1:12)

Let the Church arise! Lord, send Revival ... and let it begin with us!