

“Prayer is warfare. Just getting to prayer is half the battle; staying there is the other half.” Anonymous

“On the basis of the record of the whole Bible, I would say that prayer and fasting combined constitute the strongest single weapon that has been committed to God’s believing people.” Derek Prince

“The greatest impact any of us can have on Christ’s global cause is to be involved in consistent prayer for the whole world and to teach other Christians how to pray this way.” David Bryant

### ***The Strategic Prayer Initiative -- October 2024***

*Where Prayer Focuses Power Falls!*

- ❑ **1. Senior Pastor** / \_\_\_\_\_ -- Pray that your pastor will be kept safe from the enemy's attacks and temptations. Please also circle the day of your birthday (for example the 10th) as a second day each month that you pray for the Senior Pastor.
- ❑ **2. Persecuted Christians** / Pray for a Jordanian Christian who has received death threats since coming to faith in Christ. While undergoing training to become an imam [an Islamic religious leader], the man placed his trust in Christ. His conversion angered members of his family, who have threatened his life if he doesn't successfully complete his training and move to a Gulf state to take up an Islamic post. "Your head will be on the street," one of his family members told him. ([www.icommittopray.org](http://www.icommittopray.org))
- ❑ **3. U.S. Supreme Court** / Pray for God to draw Justice Samuel Alito into a deeper relationship with Himself. Pray that the Lord will speak into Justice Alito's life in many ways, including through his dreams. Pray that God will help him to make decisions that will be in keeping with the purity and character of the living Judeo/Christian God. Pray that the Lord will bring future justices of His choice onto the Court in His sovereign timing.
- ❑ **4. Unreached People Groups** / Pray that God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 22,664,000 member Kurmi (Hindu traditions) group of India. (Source: [www.joshuaproject.net](http://www.joshuaproject.net))
- ❑ **5. Each Country’s Leader** / Pray that President Droupadi MURMU, the primary leader of India (1.4 billion), will be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that will help the gospel to spread freely in his country, and allow people to live in peace. A key source: Complimentary World Prayer Map via [www.ehc.org](http://www.ehc.org) [“I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings and all those in authority... {so we can have peace and see people saved}” 1Timothy 2:1-4]
- ❑ **6. Bibleless People Groups** / Pray that the Erzya Mordvin (432,000) people of Russia will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. (Source: [www.wycliffe.org](http://www.wycliffe.org))
- ❑ **7. Additional Pastors &/or Staff** / \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Pray for this person (or people) as you feel led by the Holy Spirit. When applicable, also pray the above prayer for your Senior Pastor for this/these individual(s) as well.
- ❑ **8. An Orphanage Needing Your Prayers** / Pray for all of the children, and the workers, who live at the Lahore Kinship Project in Pakistan. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit’s help in raising up genuine Christian disciples with each of the children. Pictures of the home can be seen at [www.kinshipunited.org](http://www.kinshipunited.org). Ask the Lord to help your church to adopt an orphanage (see James 1:27).
- ❑ **9. Abortion Clinics & Alternatives** / Planned Parenthood - East Columbus Surgical Center - 3255 East Main Street, Columbus, OH (Abortion Clinic) - Pray that the Holy Spirit will compel all patients to insist on seeing an ultrasound of their fetus/baby. Pray that no fetus/baby with a beating heart will be aborted. Pray that the leaders of this center will seek God’s will concerning these weighty matters. Pregnancy Decision Health Centers - 665 E Dublin Granville Rd, Columbus, OH (Alternative To Abortion) - Pray that today, (the 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2024), God will compel one or more pregnant women considering abortion to come to this center via word-of-mouth, ads, or supernatural means. Pray that each will clearly know God led them and that they will choose not to abort.
- ❑ **10. Pornography and Other Addictions** / Pray that Christian individuals and families would be sensitive to the Holy Spirit concerning the purchasing and viewing of movie channels (such as HBO, etc.). These channels often bring soft-core pornography into their homes. Pray they would cancel these services and consider a more God-honoring alternative. (Ephesians 4:30).
- ❑ **11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the World’s Population)** / India – Pray for the continued growth of missions amongst Indian believers. The growth of Indian cross-cultural outreach agencies - in number, size, and maturity - is remarkable and has occurred despite increasingly intense opposition in many cases. In 1973, there were 420 missionaries. In 2009, India Missions Association (IMA) alone represented over 235 organizations and 40,000 missionaries. Encouraging progress has also been made in upgrading training, improving the quality of ministry, planning strategically, setting goals, initializing research, and partnering with others. Ask God to help Indian missionaries be fruitful and effective. (Source: [www.operationworld.org](http://www.operationworld.org))
- ❑ **12. The Damascus Road Petition** / Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ will supernaturally intervene on behalf of leaders of Jainism who are sincerely attempting to love God with their whole heart. Ask Christ to speak to them directly, as He did for the Apostle Paul on the road to Damascus. (Jeremiah 29:13)
- ❑ **13. Community Institutions** / Many communities contain businesses or organizations whose practices serve (some unknowingly) “the forces of evil” (tarot card readers/fortune tellers, zones of prostitution, churches or temples of false religions, etc.). Choose one from your community and pray in the authoritative name of Jesus Christ that the Lord and his angels will diminish its effectiveness.

- ❑ **14. The Strategic Prayer Initiative** / If you are not familiar with the efforts of the Strategic Prayer Initiative (SPI™), here is a short summary. Our primary mission is to use research, Scripture (Psalm 119:105), prayers for guidance (Matthew 21:22), experimentation, and many counselors (Proverbs 15:22) to help develop and refine prayer methodologies. Our focus is to refine approaches that are “undeniably effective” in moving large numbers of Christians to develop and/or maintain “good prayer lives” and to focus those prayers as one critical element of becoming more effective in fighting the spiritual battle. This battle is against sin, evil, injustice, and for the eternal souls of hundreds of millions of women and men throughout the world. **Please pray for the Lord to raise up more laborers, prayers, and financial resources for this endeavor.** (See early SPI Workshop Video for background information at [www.SPIprayer.org](http://www.SPIprayer.org))
- ❑ **15. Christian Ministries** / Power to Change - Power to Change helps students take their next step towards Jesus. Ask God to provide unity, provision and wisdom to the leaders of this organization (Source: [www.ehc.org](http://www.ehc.org) )
- ❑ **16. U.S. House Of Representatives** / Ted Lieu, CA 36th - Pray for God’s blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- ❑ **17. U.S. Senate** / WV - Sen. Shelly Capito - Pray for God’s blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- ❑ **18. President and President’s Cabinet** / Pray for God to draw President Biden and Vice-President Harris to Himself and move them to make decisions that allow Christians “to live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” (2 Timothy 2:2) Pray for the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Shalanda Young - See Supplemental Prayer Guide for additional prayer suggestions.
- ❑ **19. The Nations** / Togo - Pray for the church to be refined by rooting out syncretism, false teaching, and idolatry. Pray for indigenous mission agencies to establish bases which send workers to an increasingly Muslim population. Pray for an end to the evils of rampant child trafficking, prostitution, and exploitation of the poor. (Source: [www.prayercast.com](http://www.prayercast.com) and [www.operationworld.org](http://www.operationworld.org))
- ❑ **20. The Poor** / Pray that God would open up job opportunities this month for those underemployed or unemployed. (Gal. 2:10 and Matt. 25:44-45)
- ❑ **21. The Church** / Pray that the American church would realize its calling to be separate from the ways of the world. “So be holy in all you do...live your lives as strangers here in reverent fear.” (James 1:22-25, James 4:4 and 1 Peter 2:11)
- ❑ **22. The Family** / Pray that God would grant husbands and wives the wisdom to not let any small flirtations begin at their place of employment or elsewhere. Pray for the Lord’s direct intervention to help reverse the breakdown of marriage in our country.
- ❑ **23. The Education System** / Pray additional high profile scientific discoveries will take place that will illustrate the improbability of unassisted macro evolution and highlight the likelihood of a Creator.
- ❑ **24. Cultural Influencers** / Ridley Scott \* - Producer (Black Hawk Down, Gladiator, Blade Runner) Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that he will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God’s personal impact on his life. (Source:[www.mastermediaintl.com](http://www.mastermediaintl.com))
- ❑ **25. Power Players in Media** / Felix "PewDiePie" Kjellberg (YouTube content creator) Pray for God’s personal impact on his life, for guidance and wisdom, and for him to come to a deeper relationship with the living God. Pray that God will infuse his decisions with a strong moral dimension. (Source:[www.mastermediaintl.com](http://www.mastermediaintl.com))
- ❑ **26. Television** / Ask the Lord to bring men and women, excellent in knowledge, skills, and abilities, and with high morals, into favor at all levels of the WGN network, and cause the removal of dishonest employees. Additionally, continue to pray specifically that God would stop nudity from becoming part of broadcast television in the United States, and diminish it on streaming services.
- ❑ **27. Important Legal or Humanitarian Relief Situation** / Pray for a safe and fair presidential election. Ask God to remove those who might try to unjustly or illegally change the outcome and to thwart any influence of Satan, over the elections. Pray that Christians seek God (not party, media, tradition, economics, etc.) in their voting.
- ❑ **28. Personal Revival** / Pray that you will be shown any sin in your life and given the strength to resist it (1 Cor. 10:13). Pray that you will be led to **an ever-deepening personal relationship with the Lord** (Luke 10:27). [The following is a spiritual growth resource for you to consider. *Secrets Of The Vine* by Bruce Wilkinson. These resources are typically available through a local Christian bookstore or at [www.ChristianBook.com](http://www.ChristianBook.com) / 800.247.4784]
- ❑ **29. National Revival** / Pray that the Holy Spirit will be poured out on the United States, bringing deep conviction of sin, and ushering in an extended season of national repentance, conversion, pursuit of holiness, social responsibility, and the coming of God’s Manifest Presence. . Pray that any schemes of the enemy to thwart God’s plans and truth in the nation, your church, or in your home, will have no effect.
- ❑ **30. Laborers** / Jesus Christ taught that the majority would see eternal destruction and only the minority would take the narrow path to eternal life (Mt. 7:13-14 & 7:21-23). Pray as He directed that “laborers” will be raised up to help more find the narrow path to heaven. [*The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord...to send out laborers. Mt. 9:37-38*]
- ❑ **31. Neighbor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Co-worker** \_\_\_\_\_