"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 -- January 2025

Where Prayer Focuses Power Falls!

**Consider referencing our <u>Supplemental Prayer Guide</u> from our website for more ideas about how to pray for the following requests.

I. Senior Pastor / _______ -- Pray that your pastor will be kept from physical and emotional burnout. Please also circle the day of your birthday (for example the 16th) as a second day each month that you pray for the Senior Pastor.

- 2. Persecuted Christians / Pray for a Pakistani evangelist who was arrested in a remote part of the country and tortured. He sat down for tea with someone that he was telling about Christ when security officers suddenly appeared and rushed the evangelist to interrogation. "He has endured unimaginable suffering. His body bears the marks of brutal violence deep scars and bruises...," said the front-line worker. "The torment left him so shaken that he can't even eat." While the evangelist's pain is deep, the worker added, "Even in his darkest hour, he has remained steadfast in his faith, trusting in God's plan." "He returned to us today not just physically broken but mentally and emotionally scarred, bearing the burden of trauma that words can scarcely express." (Source: www.icommittopray.com)
- 3. U.S. Supreme Court / Pray for God to draw Justice Amy Coney Barret into a deeper relationship with Himself. Pray that the Lord will speak into Justice Barret's life in many ways, including through her dreams. Pray that God will help her 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 reach the 134,989,000 member Bengali Muslim group of Bangladesh effectively. (Source: www.joshuaproject.net)
- 5. Each Country's Leader / Pray that President XI Jinping, the primary leader of China (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 ["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 Eastern Apurímac Quechua (218,000) people of Peru will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. (Source: 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 Orphan-Care Projects / Pray for all of the children and the workers, at the Kampong Cham Kinship Project in Cambodia. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit's help in raising up genuine Christian disciples with each of the children. Pictures of the project can be seen at <u>www.kinshipunited.org</u>. Ask the Lord to help your church to adopt an orphanage (see James 1:27).
- 9. Abortion Clinics & Alternatives / Planned Parenthood Columbia Health Center 2712 Middleburg Drive Suite 107, Columbia, SC (<u>Abortion Clinic</u>) 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.

Daybreak Life Care Center - Columbia - 1601 St Julian Place, Columbia, SC (<u>Alternative To Abortion</u>) - Pray that today, (the 9th of January 2025), 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 for those struggling with alcohol addiction. Pray for humility to seek help. Pray for God to move mightily and give each individual victory and joy. Pray for any individuals you know struggling with alcoholism.
- 11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia Over 40% of the World's Population) / India Pray for the Indian Church which is highly diverse, with a long legacy. Much of Indian Christianity has resulted from people movements of the last 300 years, often started by local revivals. Some Christian groups today have remarkable growth, while other groups decline in numbers. Persecution of Christians has been steadily intensifying in recent years and shows no signs of abating. Pray for our brothers and sisters in India to endure amid this increasing pressure. (Source: www.operationworld.org)
- 12. The Damascus Road Petition / Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ will supernaturally intervene on behalf of leaders in the Jehovah's Witnesses 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 (SPITM), 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 "<u>undeniably effective</u>" 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)
- 15. Christian Ministries / Medical Ambassadors Inc. Medical Ambassadors Inc. works to equip communities through Christ-centered health and development. Ask God to guide this ministry and open new doors of ministry. (Source: www.ehc.org)
- 16. U.S. House Of Representatives / Pray for the newly elected members of the House of Representatives. Pray for God's blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- 17. U.S. Senate / Pray for those newly elected to the Senate.. Pray for God's blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- 18. President and Presidential Cabinet / Pray for God to draw 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 that the cabinet member of God's choosing would be selected and confirmed in a speedy manner. See the Supplemental Prayer Guide for additional prayer suggestions.
- 19. The Nations / Kosovo Pray for continued freedom to evangelize among the 80% Muslim population. Pray for the peace of Jesus to heal the hatred between ethnic Serbs and Albanians. Pray for spiritual growth and bold proclamation among the small group of committed Christians. (Source: www.prayercast.com and www.operationworld.org)
- 20. The Poor / Jesus taught that whatever you do for the thirsty, hungry, stranger, naked, sick, and prisoner...you do for Him (Mt. 25:37). Pray that God would raise up more laborers to touch the lives of individuals or families in need due to poverty. (Gal. 2:10 and Matt. 25:44-45)
- 21. The Church / Ask God to empower believers to live a life of separation from the immoral practices of the American culture. (James 1:22-25, James 4:4 and 1 Peter 2:11)
- **22.** The Family / Pray that husbands and wives will make adequate time for each other. If married, pray this for your marriage.
- **23.** The Education System / Pray that more of our schools at every level would be allowed to teach that the hypothesis of macroevolution is not proven and is only one view of how we came to exist.
- 24. Cultural Influencers / Luke Wilson Actor (Bottle Rocket, Blue Streak, Legally Blonde, ...) Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension that will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on his his. (Source:www.mastermediaintl.com)
- 25. Power Players in Media / Sofia Vergara (Actor) Pray for God's personal impact on her life, for guidance and wisdom, and for her to come to a deeper relationship with the living God. Pray that God will infuse her decisions with a strong moral dimension. (Source: 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 ABC 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 the people of Afghanistan where an estimated 23.7 million people more than 50% of the population are projected to require humanitarian aid. The crisis in Afghanistan has led to severe hunger, a collapsing healthcare system, damaged schools, and disrupted livelihoods. In addition, severe flooding across the country in 2024 has displaced thousands and destroyed critical infrastructure. The flooding has exacerbated poverty and hunger, forcing families to rebuild their lives amid limited resources and ongoing insecurity. (Source: www.worldvision.org) www.worldvision.org)
- 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. *The Calvary Road* by Roy Hession. These resources are typically available through a local Christian bookstore or at 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

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