

“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 -- August 2026

Where Prayer Focuses Power Falls!

- ☐ **1. Senior Pastor** / _____ -- Pray that your pastor will maintain a life of personal holiness (1 Peter 1:16). Please also circle the day of your birthday (for example the 6th) as a second day each month that you pray for the Senior Pastor.
- ☐ **2. Persecuted Christians** / Pray for Saman, a rural Sri Lankan pastor, who has been persecuted for months as he faces charges in court and threats against his life. Because of the growth of the church that meets in Saman’s home, Buddhist monks from throughout the area filed noise complaints and charges of illegal meetings. In a preliminary hearing, the judge said Christianity was not illegal and that the house was too distant from its neighbors for noise to be an issue. Saman requested prayer for a favorable outcome to his court case and reports that the church has continued to grow, due in part to the local Buddhist monks trying to incite people against them, which has led to growing interest in the church. Saman has received warnings not to leave his home after 6 p.m. because of credible threats that he could be harmed or killed if out after dark. Pray for the Lord’s protection and provision as Saman’s family perseveres in gospel ministry under pressure. (Source: www.icommittoprayer.com)
- ☐ **3. U.S. Supreme Court** / Pray for God to draw Ketanji Brown Jackson into a deeper relationship with Himself. Pray that the Lord will speak into Justice Jackson’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 effectively reach the 48,723,000-member Brahmin unspecified group of India. (Source: www.joshuaproject.net)
- ☐ **5. Each Country’s Leader** / Pray that President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, the primary leader of Brazil, 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.ewc.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}” 1 Timothy 2:1-4]
- ☐ **6. Bibleless People Groups** / Pray that the Eastern Slovak (Carpathian) Romani (500,000) people of Europe 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 Orphanage Needing Your Prayers** / Pray for all of the children and the workers who live at the Buwanda Kinship Family in Uganda. Pray that 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. Ask the Lord to help your church to adopt an orphanage (see James 1:27).
- ☐ **9. Abortion Clinics & Alternatives** / Charlottesville Health Center, 2964 Hydraulic Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901 ([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.
Life Spring, 1416 Greenbrier Place, Charlottesville, VA 22901 ([Alternative To Abortion](#)) - Pray that today, (the 9th of August 2026), 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** / Surveys indicate that many individuals in your church are struggling with pornography. Pray that they would be moved by the Holy Spirit to seek help. Ask God to provide them with two trusted friends to prayerfully support them in gaining victory over this area of sin. Ask your church to consider "Conquer Series Videos."
- ☐ **11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the World’s Population)** / China - Pray that Freedom of information would flow freely and that the spread of the Gospel would not be hindered. The government vainly tries to control the flow of and exposure to information, while also promoting Internet use. But a bored and disillusioned new generation that hankers after freedom is not only finding creative ways to access information, but many are also developing potentially dangerous hacking skills in the process. Pray that those who God has given skill will use it for the spread of His kingdom. (Source: www.operationworld.org)
- ☐ **12. The Damascus Road Petition** / Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ will supernaturally intervene on behalf of leaders of Bahaism 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)
- ❑ **15. Christian Ministries** / Salvation Army - The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. whose mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in his name without discrimination. Pray for laborers and provisions for this ministry. (Source: www.ehc.org)
- ❑ **16. U.S. House Of Representatives** / Lisa McClain , MI 9th - Pray for God’s blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- ❑ **17. U.S. Senate and President** / IL - Sen. Richard Durbin - Pray for God’s blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- ❑ **18. President’s Cabinet** / Pray for God to draw President Trump and Vice-President JD Vance 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 also for Secretary of the Treasury Scott Bessent - See Supplemental Prayer Guide for additional prayer suggestions.
- ❑ **19. The Nations** / Fiji - Pray for repentance and forgiveness for ethnic discrimination within churches and society. Pray for youth to find family, security, purpose, and hope in Christ. Pray for the Church to equip and support missionaries to Hindus, Muslims, and Sikhs.(Source: www.prayercast.com and www.operationworld.org)
- ❑ **20. The Poor** / Pray for God to raise up Christian ministries and resources to meet the needs of over 12 million orphans in Africa. A major cause of the growing orphan crisis in the world is the AIDS epidemic. These children are often alone and vulnerable. (Gal. 2:10 and Matt. 25:44-45)
- ❑ **21. The Church** / Pray for a fresh hunger and thirst for the Word of God. Pray that every believer, whether young or old, would cling to the Scriptures for guidance, sustenance, and hope for everyday living. (James 1:22-25, James 4:4 and 1 Peter 2:11)
- ❑ **22. The Family** / Pray for Christian fathers throughout our nation to rise up and become the servant leaders of their families. Pray that they would be a good example to their children and that Christ would help them to view their wives’ needs as equal to or higher than their own. (Philippians 2:3 and Ephesians 5:28)
- ❑ **23. The Education System** / Pray that this fall, at colleges and universities all over the country, the Holy Spirit would lead students (especially freshmen) to churches, campus ministries, and friendships that would help them to maintain or grow a strong faith.
- ❑ **24. Cultural Influencers** / Jennifer Lawrence - Actor (The Hunger Games, American Hustle) Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that she will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God’s personal impact on her life. (Source:www.mastermediaintl.com)
- ❑ **25. Power Players in Media** / Oprah Winfrey, Chair & CEO OWN, Harpo Productions - Pray for God’s personal impact on her, 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 FOX 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 continued recovery and rebuilding following June's 7.2 and 7.5 earthquakes in Venezuela, where more than 3,535 were killed. Pray for God to bring comfort to the grieving and healing to the traumatized. (Source: 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. *Face To Face - Praying the Scriptures for Intimate Worship* by Kenneth Boa. 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** _____