Praying Daily with My Church Family 31-days

[Church Name and Logo]

Acts 2:42 (ESV)

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

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Purpose and Intent

The daily prayers in this book are intended to be a supplement to your daily prayer time with our heavenly Father. Written prayers can help us to express our heart and in this case to unify saints. They cannot replace the individual, sincere bearing of the soul before God. These written prayers may help guide, but they should not be the whole embodiment of your soul's cry and its expression of gratitude and worship.

While you are praying through these daily prayers, listen and follow your heart to enlarge the prayer. Do not be bound to the words in a written prayer, but let them be a spring board. Pursue further, deeper, and more personal in the subject of the daily prayer. Expect the Holy Spirit to lead you. Let your heart go. Do not restrain it. Let it fly on the breath of the One who is praying with you and within you.

As a community of believers, we join together in faith and bring unified requests and praises to our God, who hears and answers prayer. Indeed, we believe and know, therefore we pray. As it is written,

Psalm 34:15 (ESV) — The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.

Whether your prayer time is in the morning, during the day, or at night, our prayers will unite. This is the work of the Holy Spirit, who is everywhere present and within the souls of all the saints. By Him we pray and with His help in prayer we are built up in our faith. For it is written,

Jude 20 (ESV) — But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, ...

What is the end purpose of this uniting in prayer? That the kingdom of God will come and His will be done, on earth as it is heaven; in the power of the Spirit, through the mediation of the Savior, to the glory of the Father. Amen.

Scriptures of Encouragement

Psalm 5:1–3 — Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning. **2** Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray. **3** O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.

Psalm 34:15, 17 — The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry. **17** When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

Psalm 65:2–4 — O you who hear prayer, to you shall all flesh come. **3** When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions. **4** Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!

Psalm 66:19 — But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Psalm 88:13 — But I, O LORD, cry to you; in the morning my prayer comes before you.

Psalm 116:1–2 — I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy. **2** Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

Psalm 145:18–20 — The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. **19** He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them. **20** The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

Matthew 6:5–6 — "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. **6** But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

Matthew 7:7-11 — "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. **8** For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. **9** Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? **10** Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? **11** If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!"

Romans 12:12 — Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Ephesians 6:18 — praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints,

Philippians 1:3–5 — I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, **4** always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, **5** because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

Philippians 4:6 — do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Colossians 4:2–4 — Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. **3** At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— **4** that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

1 Thessalonians 5:17 — pray without ceasing,

Hebrews 4:16 — Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

James 5:16 — The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.



Quotes of Encouragement

Thankfulness for Dívíne Grace

Thank You, O' God of the Redeemed, for the grace which You have given and continue to give us in Christ Jesus.

We thank You for this grace which has enriched us in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed among us, so that we come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Oh God, our God, You are faithful in Your calling of us—individually and our callings as a body of believers, into the fellowship of the Son, Jesus Christ our LORD.

My heart is not deep enough to contain all of the praises that our Savior, Jesus Christ, deserves from my lips. I was once lost, separated from You and Your divine grace. I was once enslaved to my sin and under condemnation. But Jesus sought me out and as the Good Shepherd rescued me and forgave me. Then the Holy Spirit gave me a new heart that is clean and full of love. It is a heart that loves You and desires truth. Praises and more praises to You, our Father.

Blessed Jesus, if it were not for You, I don't know how far into the bondage of my sin I would be today. And here I am this day, walking with You and able to love You with a free and forgiven heart. Help me and all the saints have a growing zeal for You and for Your gift of eternal life. You are God with us, and because of You, we are with God whom we can call "Abba Father." Truly, You--Jesus, are our joy! Amen! (I Corinthians 1:4-9)

For The Church

Lord and Head of the Church, Great Shepherd and Keeper or our souls. Sovereign One and Merciful One, we bring our humble prayers to You for the body of believers of [church name]. As we pray for [church name], please accept this prayer for all of Your churches in this area, in our state, in our county, and around the world. This is Your church, Your body of believers. It is not mine or anyone else's, but Yours Alone! You have Redeemed us and called us together to form a ministry of reconciliation.

The uniqueness of this local body is comprised as it is so that we would fit together to fulfill the unique purpose that You designed in Your providential will. Unite us in one spirit, one faith, and in the direction that You have determined. Unite all whom You have called to make up this local body—this church. And reveal to us Your Will and Your Purpose for this unique community of believers. Weave our hearts together to beat as one, and by the Spirit whom we are baptized in, unify our one heart to beat in unison with Your heart. Give us the desire of Your heart for this church. Then those who are outside Your kingdom may see Your heart through us.

Holy Spirit, continue to stoke a fire of compassion for the harvest fields-local and global. Make us restless unless we are laboring in preparation or laboring in these fields. Magnify the call of the church in us, making it plain before us. Help us to surrender our lives wholly to live for You.

To the end that Thy Name--Jesus, is glorified throughout eternity from the fruit of [church name]! Amen. (I Corinthians 5:18-02; Ephesians 4:1-16)

Our Persecuted Brothers and Sisters in Christ

The Lord of Hosts is Your Name. And Mighty is Your Name to Save. Blessed be Your Name forever more!

I know that You hear the cries of the persecuted. Blessed are those who are persecuted for Your Name's sake. Their sorrows, pain, nakedness, their unjust treatment, and as with Abel their blood cries out to You from the ground. In their sufferings strengthen them. Cause the faith within them to rise up and stand strong in the strength of Your might.

In their pain, may Your grace bring the ointment of healing.

In their hunger and thirst, nourishment and drink.

In their imprisonment, joy and endurance.

In their outcast, a covering of belonging and love.

In the face of their tormentors, wisdom and courage.

In their fear, let them taste heaven.

Father, we will not let our brothers and sisters suffer alone. When one member suffers, we suffer with them. Grant the saints everywhere, including [church name], a burden to lift up and rally around our persecuted family members of the faith. According to Your will, cause their suffering to result in an everlasting testimony of Your faithfulness. Amen. (Hebrews 13:3; Matthew 5:11-12; 25:34-40)

The Forgotten in this World

Father of the fatherless, Husband to the widow, and Friend to the friendless, Your love is immeasurable and beyond comparison. Great is Your mercy and lovingkindness, they are as faithful as a new morning.

Our prayer this day is for the weak and often forgotten in our world. Forgive us for our shameful neglect. We are too often building our earthly kingdom comforts and pleasures to the neglect of those less fortunate, broken, and afraid. Stir our compassion for the orphans, the widows, the friendless, the abused, the lonely, and the forgotten. Forgive us for a love that has a small circumference. With shamefulness we have left them as prey to the devouring enemy; forgive us; forgive me.

Enlarge our hearts, O' LORD. Expand our compassion beyond ourselves. Lift up the weak and downtrodden. Each day remind us that we are the hands and heart of Jesus in this world. And though this godless world sees no value in the weak, You have chosen the weak and what is low and despised in this world. Help us to see the Image of God upon them. Grant us arms to hold them; feet to stand with them; and words to build them up. Jesus, show each of them Your incomparable love through Your living Church. Amen! (Deuteronomy 10:18; Psalm 68:5; James 1:27; Romans 15:1; I Thessalonians 5:14; I Corinthians 1:27-28)

Our Nation, its leaders, and Civil Servants

Pather, You have established this nation for the freedom of worshipping and serving You. This nation is the work of Your providential hand and mighty power. We lift up our nation and those in positions of authority. Our prayer is for our President and all whom You have ordained in the place of governing authority. Those on the national, state, and local levels. May Your Spirit be upon them, giving them true wisdom. Protect them from deception and foolish counselors, and guide them that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

We ask for Your hand of protection and guidance on all those who serve to protect us, who lead us, and who stand for justice. For those who defend and fight for the weak and frail. For those who daily place their lives in harm's way for us. As it is written, these men and women are Your servants for good. Cause Your favor to shine upon them.

Father, we know that Jesus is the answer for this nation. We don't need more politics, or more money, or power. We need Jesus. Bring an awakening to our nation, like that of the Great Awakening that once visited us. Humble us and enable us to see the Lamb of God. Help us see to our condemnation before You and to cry out for mercy. Awaken the Church across this land. Give us boldness to shout from the roof tops, in the alleys and slums, in the broken homes, and in the halls of government. Invade this nation once again with Thy Spirit in power. Turn us, return us, to fear You and follow Jesus. Give us Jesus, Father we ask; give us Jesus lest we perish. Amen. (Romans 13:1-7; I Timothy 2:1-3)

To Know the Love of Christ

Pather, I ask that according to the riches of Your glory, You would grant the body of [church name] to be strengthened with might through Your Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith, and that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints, what is the width and length and depth and height--

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which passes knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fullness of GOD.

Now to You, O' GOD, who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to You be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen. (Ephesians 3:14-21)

For Church leaders

Jesus, Head of the Church, and Keeper of Your flock, beautiful and glorious is Your Bride. You have sanctified Your saints in Your redeeming blood. We are clothed in robes of white—a righteousness not of this world, but of Your divine righteousness. For all eternity we will offer praise and thanksgiving for whom You have made us.

Father, strengthen with courage those whom You have ordained to lead and guide Your Churches. Grant them wisdom and discernment. Grant them clarity in the Scriptures and the message of the Cross. Grant them boldness to speak as they ought the message of truth. Grant them favor with their congregations and in their communities. Prune them to bear more fruit. Grant them a repentant and contrite heart that they may walk and serve humbly before You and man. May any self-serving character that is buried within be uprooted and thrown into the fire. Turn our church leaders from the love of earthly gain to seek only the approval and glory of their Savior.

Daily fill Your spiritual leaders afresh with the Holy Spirit in power to be witnesses of Jesus. Make them to be leaders who represent the Savior and never themselves. Give them a deep conviction—a heart changing conviction, to be Godpleasers and not man-pleasers. Protect these leaders from the plots and schemes of the evil one. Constantly remind them of their high calling. And Father, lead them to the place of prayer where they grow in communion with You. Amen. (Ephesians 5:12; Hebrews 10:10; 13:17-18; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5; Galatians 1:10)

Forgive us for our lukewarmness

Paithful Father, Faithful Savior, Faithful Spirit—Holy Trinity, Holy God, and God of heaven and earth. You have promised to remain faithful even when we are faithless. Forgive us when our affections towards You are weak; when our earnestness for Your kingdom wanes. You know that we are too often and too easily persuaded by our feelings and moods. And that too often our affections stray and grow lukewarm towards You. Too often we say and do things that we should not, and just as often we don't speak, love, and pray as we ought. Indeed, we are too often unfaithful in living how we believe and how we want to believe. Forgive us, LORD.

But Your love for us is a maturing love and not an abandoning love. We know that You are not finished working within us. Praise be to our God! As it is written, the good work that You began in us will be completed at the day of Jesus Christ.

Knowing Your faithful love towards us we are drawn to be more faithful towards You. O' Spirit, You draw us with a love that calls us to trust You, to obey You, and to want You more than life itself. Please continue to teach us the love of Christ that we may know Thee—the Triune Godhead, in Thy fulness. Glory, Honor, and Blessing to the King, our King—Jesus Christ, who is Lord of Heaven and Earth forevermore. Amen. (Romans 3:3; 7:15-25; Philippians 1:6 Ephesians 3:19)

Make us a House of Prayer

Bless the Holy and Mighty name of the Lord, our God! You are the God who hears and answers prayer. Make us—Your Church, a House of Prayer! That is, a living Church who seeks You in prayer; who petitions You in and through prayer; who worships You in prayer. Stir us to fall on our knees and pray, and give us a taste of Thy glorious presence. Teach us, lead us, and empower us to pray according to Your good pleasure and will.

God of Answered Prayer, show the world the power of Your kingdom through the prayers of the saints. Show the world Your heart, majesty, might, and goodness through answering the prayers of those who call upon Your name.

Grant us passion in our prayers that we may believe and persevere in prayer. Unite our hearts in this spirit of prayer. Invade our hearts with a passion to pray that burns with such fervency that we will set aside earthly and futile interests to seek Your face. A fervency that places our calling above our comforts. And as we abide with You in prayer—in corporate prayer and private prayer, shake the foundations of this world. Bring showers of mercy and righteousness to the weak, the poor, the broken, and the captive. And in doing all of this, that the Gospel message of Jesus Christ will be affirmed and manifest in this broken and unjust world. Prove Yourself as the God of Prayer!

Lord, when You return on The Day, may you find Your Church in prayer and in the harvest fields. Amen! (Psalm 116:1-2; Isaiah 56:7; Matthew 21:13; Ephesians 6:18; Mark 13:32-37)

Forgíveness for Our Nation

God, the Righteous and Just One, Who sees and judges the hearts of all men according to Your law, forgive us I pray. As a nation we have turned our back on You. We have shaken our fist at You, abandoned You, and cursed and blasphemed Your holy name. There is no longer shame for the abominations in our hearts and on our hands. We have even become proud of our rebelliousness and sins. We love darkness rather than light, and falsehood over truth. We exalt and worship the god of power, of riches, of popularity, and perhaps the highest altar we worship at is self-love. We are wretched and guilty.

But God, we do not know what we are doing. The hearts of this nation are blind. The enemy has put a veil over our understanding so that we cannot see right from wrong. Forgive us, O' God, and have mercy on us.

I do not deny that we deserve the consequences of our sins. Yes, we deserve the wrath that rained down upon Sodom and Gomorrah and the wrath that we've stored up against ourselves. But Lord, we petition Your longsuffering and patience. We petition Your mercy and forgiveness. Turn our hearts from idolatry to the living Savior, that our nation would humble itself and repent, like Nineveh did at the preaching of Jonah.

Lord, if Your judgement has come and You will not turn it back, then strengthen Your Church in this nation. And come, Lord Jesus, Come. Come quickly. Amen. (Ezekiel 14:6; Jonah 2:8; II Chronicles 6:21; Revelation 22:20)

To be Filled with the Knowledge of His Will

This day we ask, good and gracious Father, that by Thy Spirit Your elect of [church name], along with all the saints everywhere be filled with the knowledge of Your will in all wisdom and understanding, that we may walk in a manner worthy of the LORD, fully pleasing You, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; Strengthened with all might, according to Your glorious power, for all patience and long-suffering with joy; giving thanks to You, Father, who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the Light.

For You, O' God, have delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of the Son of Your love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. Amen! (Colossians 1: 9-14)

Repentance for Our Self-Righteousness

Our Father, Who lifts up the humble and lays low the proud, forgive us of the pride and self-righteousness that abide in our hearts. We too often forget that our hearts belong to You, and not to ourselves, nor to this godless world that we sojourn in each day. Shamefully we put confidence in our own goodness and good deeds. We puff ourselves up as good people who have earned Your blessings and love. This self-righteousness is deplorable and denies Thy grace. Help us to remember that anything good in us is solely because of Your goodness and love that is in us by the Holy Spirit. It is because of Your love, Your life, and Your light, that there is any goodness within us at all. As it is written, we can do nothing apart from Christ Jesus—Who is the vine, and we are the branches. The life and goodness within us is not from ourselves, but from You.

Grant us, Your people, a spirit of humility. By Thy Spirit cultivate a daily repentance from the self-love that leads us to think too highly of ourselves as we ought, and to neglect those around us who are in need. This is a daily battle that we cannot win in our own strength. But You can help us to turn our eyes upon Jesus. O' Jesus, the One we adore, help us fix our eyes upon You rather than ourselves. Glorify Yourself in us, O' Jesus, Lover of our Souls. Amen. (James 4:10; I Peter 5:5; Romans 8:7; John 15:1-5; Hebrews 12:1-2)

víctims of Human Trafficking and Slavery

Our hearts cry rivers of tears for the children who are victims of human trafficking. How long, O' Lord? How long will this terror continue? How long will the wicked steal the souls and bodies of our children? Act, O' Father. In Your name bring justice for them. Crush the evil works and bring liberty to the enslaved.

Grant the organizations that You have raised up to fight this devilish work to have favor with governing authorities. Use them as tools of righteousness and justice. Lead them where to go to bring release to the captives. Yes, Lord, it is time to act. From Your compassion, rescue these prisoners of man's lust and greed. Rescue them; rescue them.

Also, Father, we ask that healing be poured into these broken and ravished lives. You are able to heal and mend together what evil has torn apart. In the name of Jesus, let healing flow into every fiber of their being. Strengthen and provide for those who are weeping with these children. Fill their homes with heavenly peace and with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

Jesus, be their King! Conquer their captors, and lead them out of bondage. Heal their brokenness. Fill them with Your love. Cleanse them from their shames, fears, and evil memories. Give them a new heart and enable them to see themselves as You see them, in Christ's glory. Hide them in Your everlasting arms. Raise Your victory banner high over them. Make them Your victorious bounty. Amen. (*Psalm 10; Isaiah 61:1-3*)

Praise and Exaltation to the Lord Our God

You, our Lord, are worthy of the highest of praises. You are clothed in perfect light. Truth is as a belt upon Your waist. You are Just in all Your ways, and the only perfect love that exists is from You. One day You will receive the honor and praise that You deserve. As it is written, "Praise is due You, O' God, in Zion, and to You shall vows be performed. O You who hear prayer, to You shall all flesh come."

By Thy Spirit, give Your saints a voice of Praise. One voice that drowns out the sounds of this world and rises into the heavens. A song of praise that makes creation jealous to join us. A song of Adoration that echoes through the forests, across the prairies, upon the mountains, and in the halls, homes, and offices of every town and city.

Let all who fear Your name join together in worship. Let the testimonies of the redeemed ring out one and then another, and then another, until the whole world knows of Your greatness and glory. Fill us with such bold praise to prepare for Your return. Then on that Day, that wonderful day of victory, creation will rejoice with us for it has eagerly longed for the revealing of the sons of God, for then it will be set free from its bondage. Erupt, erupt oh springs of living water within our souls. Let us sing a new song unto the King of Glory. For He is worthy! Amen (*Psalm* 65:1-2; *Romans* 8:19-23; *Psalm* 40:3; *Revelation* 5:9)

The Translation and Distribution of Scripture

Our Father, God of Truth, God of Knowledge and Understanding, hear our prayers and be pleased. We know for ourselves the powerful impact of reading and meditating on Scripture. We have such a privilege of having the Bible in our language and at our disposal. Forgive us for thinking too light of this privilege, taking it for granted.

Our prayer this day is for the Scripture to be translated and published into all of the languages across the world. And where it has been translated into the heart-language of the people, open up distribution avenues for Bibles to spread across their lands; across social, cultural, geographical, and economic boundaries. We ask that the Holy Spirit open the understanding of all who obtain a copy of the scriptures. May the Gospel of Grace and Salvation shout from the scriptures. May hearts be set free and healing flow into lives, families, communities, and nations. Yes, even shaking the foundation of the nations.

Those whom You have called to translate and deliver the Scripture throughout spiritually dry lands, grant clarity of the truth of Your Word. Grant them the means needed to labor in such a high calling.

Through the spread of the Scripture across this earth may the truth be revealed that Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and forgiveness and eternal life are found in Him, and in Him alone, to all who call upon His Name. Amen. (Proverbs 1:20-21; Ill John 1:8; Matthew 9:38)

laborers for Your Harvest Fields

Lord of the Harvest, You have prepared a harvest, ripe and ready for laborers. Raise up laborers. Prepare and train and fill them, granting them the power to be witnesses. Our petition today is that You would continue to make the body of [church name] to be laborers. Continue to grant us an inward compassion that drives us to want to share the light with those in darkness. Grant to those whom we take the light of truth, to hear with their hearts and believe. Grant them the gifts of repentance and saving grace.

We recognize the very mission field that You have placed us here to reach with the Gospel. Therefore, we ask that You would continue to prepare us to sow, reap, and disciple the harvest, and also prepare the harvest of souls for Your Kingdom and glory. And we do not pray only for [church name], but churches throughout the land. Shine Your face upon us that the peoples of this land would hear and know the Gospel of Jesus Christ; that all who live in [town/community] and the surrounding counties may see Your Right Arm of Salvation; that Your Name would be feared and extolled among the peoples.

As Your Gospel has changed us, cause it to change these souls around us. As the Holy Spirit has blown into our hearts and lives, we ask for Him to blow into their hearts and lives making them new creatures in Christ Jesus. All of this to Your Glory, in this life and forever, AMEN! (Matthew 28:19-20; 9:37-38; Acts 1:8; Psalm 67:1-2; 119:135; Daniel 9:17; John 3:8)

The unborn and All Victims of Abortion

od of Life, of spiritual life and physical life, we intercede for the safety of every child in every womb. This day we cry out for the unborn boys and girls. Each of these children are fearfully and wonderfully made for Your glory. Wrap Your protective arms around them. Please wake up this nation to stop murdering our children.

We cry out for the mothers and fathers who have been deceived by the demonic spirit of death into this sin, and are crushed by such iniquity. Father, You see the millions of women who are living under the bondage of shame and guilt from their sins. Open their hearts to know that forgiveness is found in Jesus. Lift them out of the prison of despair. Bring healing to their souls and to their bodies. And Lord, forgive them, we ask. We know what it is like to be deceived and to walk in darkness. You forgave us and healed us. We ask for mercy and new life in them.

We also pray for those who are carrying out the work of Satan in the abortion clinics. O' Father, they are blind and do not know what they are doing. Open their hearts to the truth and deliver them from the kingdom of darkness. Turn them from workers of death to workers of life and righteousness; from slaves of sin to proclaimers and defenders of the unborn. You are more than able to do this. No heart is beyond Your saving arm. And turn the leaders of this nation to see the sanctity and beauty of every life, and give them the courage and wisdom to stand and protect the unborn. To Your glory, forever. Amen. (*Psalm* 139:14-18; Exodus 21:22-25; 23:7; Proverbs 6:16-17; 24:11-12; Jeremiah 22:17)

For the Ministry Gifts in the Local Church

Pather, our petition this day is for the ministry gifts that You have put in Your local churches. Thank You for these ministry gifts. Grant Your saints to recognize Your gifts of ministry and to use them in faith, in love, with humility, and in the power of Your Spirit for Thy glory.

Forgive us for when we have used these gifts and abilities to draw attention to ourselves for our own glory. Forgive us of such shameful self-centeredness. We are who we are by the grace of God. We are Your workmanship, through and through. You have created and formed us, and called us by name, for Your purposes, to Your glory.

Equip us for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, so that we all come to the unity of the faith and knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed around in various unbiblical beliefs and carried about with every wind of teaching, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness by which they lie in wait to deceive, but speaking the truth in love, may we grow up in all things into Him who is the head-that is Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by what every member supplies. Effectively raise up each member within each local church to fulfill their share, so that we, by Thy Spirit may cause growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love. Amen! (Ephesians 2:4-10; 4:12-16; Isaiah 63:1-2)

Our Nation's Youth

Pather, hear our cries for this nation's youth. You see their captivity in the darkness. Come, O' God, the Conqueror, Deliverer, the Mighty One who saves. Raise up harvest workers to communicate the Gospel to them, which is the power of God to save. Yes, O' Lord, make Your truth come alive to their hearts by Your Spirit. Set them free! Cast off the veil that the god of the world has put over their eyes. Then they will see with unveiled hearts and they too will behold the glory of the Lord and be transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another by the Spirit of the Lord.

We believe that You are preparing a spiritual army within Your kingdom made up of our young people. They will be filled with courage and zeal. You will equip them and empower them with the Holy Spirit to storm the gates of hell and in the name of the Savior they will slay the enemy and rescue the captives. We believe that the army of heaven will accompany them to raise the banner of truth within the darkest pits of Satan's activities. Where darkness and godlessness are thriving, the name of the Lord will be heard with shouts of victory. The light of truth will prevail in His name! Raise them up, O' King. Now is the time. Reveal the power of the Throne of Heaven. Amen! (Romans 1:16; II Corinthians 3:13-17)

Thankfulness unto Our God and Savior

God of Heaven and Earth, Creator of Life, Maker of the stars, and the myriad of solar systems that are Your servants. I lift my heart with my brothers and sisters of faith because You have revealed Yourself to us. We are humbled beyond words that the infinite God would take thought of us, and yet You love us and call us to come and know You.

You have revealed Yourself as The Lord our Shepherd; The Lord our Provider; The Lord our Peace, The Lord our Protector and Deliverer; and The Ever-Present One. We will dwell in the shelter of the Most High, for You are our Shield and Shade, our High Tower and Strong Tower, our Hiding Place and Place of Refuge.

Jesus, Son of God, Son of Man, the Word of God manifest in human form. You are our Advocate and Mediator before God; our Eternal Sacrifice and High Priest before the heavenly altar. You are The Good Shepherd; The Faithful One; The Lord of Lords and King of Kings; The Alpha and Omega—the First and the Last—The Beginning and The End; The Prince of Peace; The Faithful Witness, the Firstborn of the Dead, and the Ruler of kings on earth. You are the Resurrection and The Life; the very Bread of Life and our Hope of Glory. You are the root and descendant of David, the Bright Morning Star. You are the Lamb of God who died and rose again, coming again as King and Conqueror who will judge the nations in righteousness. And Jesus, we are Yours as You are ours-our God and Savior. And we say, "Come Lord Jesus, Come." Amen. (Psalm 91:1-2; 119:89-91; 144:3; John 1:1-18; I Timothy 2:5; Acts 17:30-31; Revelation 22)

For Missionaries on the Frontlines

Pather, we collectively intercede today for those whom You have called and commissioned to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the frontlines of the mission field. We stand with them and support them as one with us. Prove the Gospel which they both proclaim and live with signs, wonders, and miracles. Prove that Jesus is the one and only reconciler between sinful man and God. Set free the oppressed, heal the lame, give sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, peace to the fearful and hopeless, and display Your mighty power to crush the works of evil in their midst. Let it be known that You are God and there is no other! Let it be unmistakable that there is salvation in no other name!

Grant Your servants this day their daily bread. You know what they and their families need. Provide for what will unfold this day. You give sufficient grace. Help them see it and walk in it, and rejoice in Your providential care.

Strengthen them in their trials, in their tests, and in their temptations. We know that the evil one plots against them to destroy them. Protect those whom You have stationed in communities, villages, and nations that are hostile to the Gospel and to Your messengers. Grant them courage, boldness, and wisdom. Grant them heavenly peace and with it a growing love for the lost around them, including for their persecutors. Enlarge their hearts with Your love.

We know those You call, You equip. We also know that Your love and care for them is eternally beyond ours. They are safe in Your care and calling. Blessed be Your name forever more. Amen. (Acts 3:16; 9-12; 4:23-31; 5:12-16; Matthew 6:9-13)

That the World may Know He Alone is God

God of [church name] body of believers, grant us a contrite spirit. A heart that loathes all sin, even the appearance of sin, and all worldliness. Grant, I ask, a humble spirit that seeks to live and walk in holiness--in a manner that rightly reflects whom You have made us in Christ.

May people around us, whether in our own homes as family members, or neighbors, co-workers, friends, and strangers we meet, see YOU in us and KNOW that You are the LORD, and there is no other. Cause Your Name to be hallowed before the world through and by Your living Church around the world. By our love for one another, they will see You.

Because of the Holy Spirit who abides with us, within us, and upon us, cause it to be clearly known that YOU ARE OUR GOD, and we are Your beloved people.

Make those around us who walk in darkness yearn for the love and light that they see upon us. Enable them to see Jesus Christ as the Light of the World and the Bread of Life; as the Resurrection and the Life. Enable those who are weary and heavy laden by trying to earn their way to You to see Jesus, clearly and humbly, as the One who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Lift up The Son high so that those whom You have called will see Him and run to Him, falling down before Him, and surrendering to Him. Oh, the glory of such a sight. The angels of heaven to shout and rejoice in celebration at every sinner who calls upon Jesus.

All of this that Your Name would be honored in this land. Amen. (Ezekiel 36; I Kings 18:36-37; Isaiah 43:1; 45:5-7)

Our Schools and Educational System

Pather of truth and knowledge, we lift up in prayer our nation's educational system. We recognize that the devil has led our educational system into humanism and ungodly beliefs and practices, even promoting an anti-Christ spirit and the practice of paganism. So, Father, we lift up to You those who work in this system—the administration, the teachers and aids, and all the other staff. Grant those working in the public and private educational system, including the home-schooling system, the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord, the Spirit of Wisdom, and the Spirit of Knowledge. Grant the light of truth upon our nation.

Look upon the parents and children who are in our educational system and give them a hunger to learn truth. Grant parents the courage to lead their children to the truth. Grant the parents the physical, mental, and emotional strength to encourage their children and help educate them in truth. Mercy, O' Lord, in this darkness we need mercy.

Help our children to remember their Creator in the days of their youth, before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when they lose sight of the purpose of life. Save our youth, Lord. Save them from despair and from listening to the spirits of hate and suicide. Reveal Yourself to them, we cry. Though darkness is lying to keep them from truth, grant insight and understanding in the sciences, the arts, and the communication of truth and beauty in this world. No matter how much man and demons try, they cannot and will not bury truth. Glorify Christ in the schools and the homes. Amen. (Ecclesiastes 12:1; Proverbs 1:1-9; 2:1-5; 15:28)

For Spírítual Hunger and Zeal ín Our land

Our hearts earnestly seek after You. Our souls thirst for you, our flesh longs for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. We have looked upon You and we have beheld Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise You. And we will bless You as long as we live; in Your name we will lift up our hands. You, O' God have been our help, and in the shadow of Your wings we will sing for joy. Our souls cling to You; Your right hand upholds us. And those who seek to destroy Your Church shall go down into the depths of the earth.

Our Father, do not let the zeal of your Church fade, but rather increase the flame that burns within, causing it to burn even hotter. Let us be consumed with zeal in our worship and service. You are worthy of all that we can offer and much, much more.

Jesus, we want Your words and commandments to be alive within us. We want Your resurrection life that is in us to quicken our hearts to follow hard after You. Help us to see You everywhere we turn and in everything we do. Help us see how the cross has affected every living thing, and how Your resurrection continues to give new life to others. By the influencing power of Your Spirit, let our love for You and for the Gospel pound in our hearts so that we cannot keep You to ourselves. Blessed be Your name forevermore. Amen. (*Psalm* 63; 119:139)

For Those Who Serve to Protect Us

Pather, we pray for the men and women who serve our communities and our nation—whose responsibility it is to protect us and help us live in this freedom that You have granted us, so that we may live a peaceable and godly life; that injustice and wickedness will be held accountable and that righteousness will prevail on this earth.

You have called men and women to serve Your purposes of righteousness and justice. Give them the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord, and enable them to recognize the deceptive intentions of the wicked, as well as the good works of the righteous. Strengthen them to carry out justice, to rescue the victims of evil, and give them victory over lawlessness. In their duties, protect them from the wicked. May the hosts of heaven accompany them and guard them in all their ways, and bear them up lest they strike their foot against a stone. Though the enemy encamp around them, give them courage, yet also compassion. We know that seeing and dealing with the darkness of sin day-in and day-out can make it difficult to see Your glory and Your goodness. Bring a fresh light of hope to the hearts of these servants.

We also pray for their families--their marriages, their children, and for all of their loved ones. Grant them grace in times of need. And Savior, we ask that you show these servants the redeeming Gospel of Jesus. As they see Your hand with them in their duties, may they also see their need for eternal life through and in You. This we also ask for their families. Amen. (Romans 13:1-5; Psalm 91:11-12; I Timothy 2:1-2; Psalm 147:6)

Peace and Faith in this World's Crisis

Our nation has abandoned You. We have closed our ears to Your voice and instructions. Where is the fear of the Lord? The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Where is faith in the God who formed this nation to proclaim Your name--who gave us liberty, justice, and equality among one another? Where is repentance? Without faith and repentance there is no humility and hearts will not look up for Your help. We have turned to ourselves. Forgive us.

Here we are, wealthy in materialism but naked in righteousness before You and impoverished in virtues and character of the heart. You see that our land is held in bondage to fear and hate. Because our hearts are turned away from You, we have become enslaved in fear—fear of disease; fear of one another; fear of tomorrow; even fear of ourselves. These fears have paralyzed us. There is also little faith among Your people to trust in Your sovereign rule over that which we fear. The lies and propaganda of demons amplify the fears and divide this nation, turning us against each other.

We are to blame for our misery and enslavement. Our idols became snares and our disobedience has led us into this bondage. We have done this ourselves and have not excuse for hardening our hearts.

God of Mercy and Longsuffering turn our anxiety to peace. Deliver us from fear and into faith. Cause these fears to humble us to look up and cry out to You, rather than looking within ourselves. You are the only answer for us. Amen. (Judges 2:11-17; Hebrews 11:6; Revelation 3:17-22)

For unity of the Church

We look upon Jesus, the Head of the Church. We are members of the Church by Your choosing, and not of our own doing or of our own righteousness and goodness.

Today we lift up in prayer Your local churches around us. Those whom You have built; those whom exalt Jesus Christ has King and Savior; where the Gospel is preached; where Thy Spirit abides. Strengthen in grace the leaders of these churches. Lead the congregations in Your ways to carry out the mission that You have appointed to each of them. Open their hearts to hear and discern truth. Enable them to live godly lives and bear much fruit to Your glory, and to the exaltation of Your Name in their communities.

Spirit of Christ, unite each body in the one true faith. Unite them in the spirit of peace and unity. Weed out division; expose the wolves who seek to destroy and devour Your sheep; and breath a fresh wind of Pentecost in each local church.

And Father, whether it be through tribulation or revival, unite all of us in fellowship and purpose that Your kingdom would manifest showing the world the redeeming power and love of Jesus. Amen. (John 1:12-13; Romans 8:29-10; Ephesians 4:1-6; 5:27; I Corinthians 12:12-13)

Spíritual Discernment and Compassion

Jesus, [church name] is Your church. This is Your body of believers. Thank You for joining us together in Your name, for the glory of Your name, and for the work of the Kingdom of God. Grant us, along with the other local churches, a heart that seeks the sanctification and the spiritual growth of others. May we, by the Holy Spirit, have hearts that see beyond ourselves. Grant us wisdom and understanding to teach others Your way.

Help us to recognize the needs of those hurting around us and among us. Help us see them as You created them to be-as bearers of Your image. Help us weep for their souls, their hearts, and their struggles. And to rejoice in their life with You. This to the end that You would be glorified in and by Your Church forevermore. Amen. (John 11:34; I John 4:7-11)

For Broken Famílies

This day, along with my brothers and sisters in Christ, I intercede for the families that are broken by sin and the deceptions of the evil one. Bring healing and reconciliation to families. Heal our nation's families, we cry. Turn the hearts of families to realize that You are the answer, and that it is You alone who can heal and save. Raise up family ministries in Your churches. Strengthen the para-church ministries that minster to families. Come, O' Lord, come and heal our families.

You alone, O' Lord, know the brokenness and the true cause of the brokenness. Man doesn't know the heart, only the Spirit of God knows and discerns what truly lies within the depths of a man's heart. We ask that somehow, some way, that You would bring healing and reconciliation to the homes of our communities and of this nation.

We also interceded on behalf of the spouses, children, and parents who are being abused and neglected. Rescue them, Jesus. Heal them from their wounds, trauma, and scars. And fill them with Your everlasting love.

Show us, [church name], as You show me, what we can do to minister to broken and hurting families. Here I am, Lord; here we are, Lord, use us. This is Your will. Your will be done. Amen. (I Peter 3:7; 4:8; Exodus 20:12; Psalm 127:3-5; 147:3; Joshua 24:15; Proverbs 11:29; Colossians 3:18-21)

For Divine Wisdom and Understanding

od of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, may $oldsymbol{J}$ You give us the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the knowledge of You--the eyes of our understanding being enlightened, that we may KNOW what is the hope of Your calling; what are the riches of the glory of Your inheritance in the saints; and what is the exceeding greatness of Your power in them who believe--according to the working of Your mighty power which You worked in Christ when You raised Him from the dead and seated Him at Your right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come. For You have put all things under Christ's feet and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all. Blessing and Honor forever unto the name of Jesus Christ, our God and Savior. Amen. (Ephesians 1:15-23)

The Salvation of Our Families

Pather, our Heavenly Father, full of mercy, full of goodness, whose ear is towards the prayers of Your beloved ones in Christ, I lift up my heart to You this hour. I know You hear our cries and see our tears for our spouses, children, grandchildren, parents, and brothers and sisters. Our cries and tears are that each of them would be delivered out of the kingdom of darkness and be born again in Christ by the Spirit of Life. And those who have fallen asleep in their faith, and whose faith has been shipwrecked, awakened their souls by the Spirit of Life so that they will join the chorus of praise with the rest of the saints.

As the Jailer and his family were saved and filled with Your Spirit; as Lydia and her household; and as Cornelius and his whole household heard the Gospel and were filled with the Spirit, so fill our spouses, children, and other family members. Cause the seeds of the gospel that are in them to grow and bear fruit that glorifies Christ Jesus. And for those who have not heard the saving Gospel, cause them to hear, understand, repent, and be born again. Yes, we plead for their deliverance. Remove the veil over their understanding, and shine into their hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

You hold their hearts. No one can resist the Spirit of God. What You purpose to do, will be. Reveal Your Arm of Salvation, O' God. Usher them into the light, to the Glory of Christ. Amen. (Psalm 34:15; Acts 11:13-15; 16:14-15; 16:29-34; Romans 9:19; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6)

Prayers for Salvation &	Renewal of the Faith

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