

“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 2019

Where Prayer Focuses Power Falls!

- ❑ **1. Senior Pastor** / _____ -- Pray that your pastor would maintain a life of personal holiness (1 Peter 1:16). Please also circle the day of your birthday (for example the 19th) as a second day each month that you pray for the Senior Pastor.
- ❑ **2. Persecuted Christians** / Pray for believers in Burkina Faso where there have been at least 27 Christians killed in targeted attacks. In an attack in Bani in June, terrorists arrived and asked everyone to lie down while they looked for Christians. Four who wore crosses were taken and executed. Then the terrorists burned the shop that belonged to one of them. The next day the attackers went to another village and threatened the inhabitants. Christians were told to convert to Islam or risk execution. Pray for God’s grace and emotional healing from this trauma. Pray for God to provide the needs of His people. Ask God to enable the government to secure this entire region. Pray for wisdom, courage and hope for believers as they face the continued jihadist threats. (Source: www.opendoorsusa.org)
- ❑ **3. U.S. Supreme Court** / Pray for God to draw Justice Neil Gorsuch into a deeper relationship with Himself. Pray that the Lord would speak into Justice Gorsuch’s life in many ways, including through his dreams. Pray that God would help him to make decisions that would be in keeping with the purity and character of the living Judeo/Christian God. Pray that the Lord would bring future justices of His choice onto the Court in His sovereign timing.
- ❑ **4. Unreached People Groups** / Pray that God would raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 38,857,000 member Han Chinese, Xiang group of China. (Source: www.JoshuaProject.net)
- ❑ **5. Each Country’s Leader** / Pray that President Hassan Rouhani, the primary leader in the country of Iran (81 million), would be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that would help the gospel to spread freely in his country, and allow his people to live in peace. A key source: 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}” 1st Timothy 2:1-4]
- ❑ **6. Bibleless People Groups** / Pray that the Akoti (97,000) people of Mozambique would 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 Kampong Chhnang Kinship Project in Cambodia. Pray the staff would 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** / Jackson Women’s Health Org 2903 N. State St., Jackson, MS ([Abortion Clinic](#)). Pray the Holy Spirit would compel all patients to insist on seeing an ultrasound of their fetus/baby. Pray that no fetus/baby with a beating heart would be aborted. Pray the leaders of this center will seek God’s will concerning these weighty matters.

Mississippi Right to Life- P.O. Box 822596 Vicksburg, MS ([Alternative To Abortion](#)). Pray that today, (the 9th of August 2019), God would compel one or more pregnant women considering abortion to come to this center via word-of-mouth, ads, or supernatural means. Pray that each would clearly know God led them and that they would 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 1/3 of the World’s Population)** / India - Health concerns affect much of India’s population. Around 40% of children under age three suffer from malnutrition. About 900,000 people per year die as a result of drinking unclean water or breathing polluted air. The health sector is overstretched, under-resourced and prone to corruption. India has the world’s thirdlargest HIV-positive population and accounts for one-third of the world’s tuberculosis cases. Pray for the suffering and that this nation has resources to meet this need.(Source: Operation World)
- ❑ **12. The Damascus Road Petition** / Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ would supernaturally intervene on behalf of Shiite Muslim leaders 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/organizations whose practices serve (some unknowingly) “the forces of evil” (adult bookstores, tarot card readers, churches of false religions, etc.). Choose one from your community and pray in the authoritative name of Jesus Christ that the Lord would 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 SPI Workshop Video for background information at PrayerCords.org)
- ❑ 15. **Christian Ministries** / Indian Evangelical Mission - Indian Evangelical Mission is a ministry that seeks to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the unevangelized areas in India and abroad. Ask God to provide wisdom to the leaders of this organization (Source: www.hec.org)
- ❑ 16. **U.S. House Of Representatives** / Hakeem Jeffries, NY 8th - Pray for God’s blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- ❑ 17. **Top 7 Leaders From Each State** / WY - Sen. John Barrasso - Pray for God’s blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.
- ❑ 18. **President’s Cabinet** / Director of the OMB - Mick Mulvaney - See Supplemental Prayer Guide for additional prayer suggestions.
- ❑ 19. **The Nations** / Panama - Pray for Holy Spirit fire and truth among nominal Christians. Pray for strong Christian impact on the multitude of nationalities passing through the Canal Zone. Pray for professing Christians to exemplify righteous living at home and in the marketplace. (Source: www.prayercast.com)
- ❑ 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 that the richer churches of the world (such as in the US) would find new and creative ways of helping our financially needy brother and sister churches in other parts of the world. (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 family. Pray that they would be a good example to their children and that Christ would help them to view their wife’s needs equal 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 freshman) to churches, campus ministries, and friendships that would help them to maintain or grow a strong faith.
- ❑ 24. **Cultural Influencers** / Miley Cyrus (Singer/Songwriter) Pray that God would infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that she would 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 Film and Television** / Philip Anschutz - Owner AEG Media/Walden Meida (Chronicles of Narnia, Ray) 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 would infuse his 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.
- ❑ 27. **Important Legal or Relief Situation** / Pray for the people suffering in the current Ebola outbreak in Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) said to be the world’s second worst outbreak in history. Well over 2,300 Ebola cases have been confirmed as of July 2019. The fatality rate is 67% and 1,586 have died. Ongoing violence and resistance have contributed to the fatality rate. Pray for the Samaritan’s Purse staff as they seek to treat the sick in their 56-bed Ebola treatment Center in Komanda opened earlier this year. Pray also for Samaritan’s Purse’s ongoing training on infection prevention and control in other communities. Pray for children who represent 50 percent of all cases. One-third of all cases are children under 5. (Source: samaritanaspurse.org)
- ❑ 28. **Personal Revival** / Pray that you would be shown any sin in your life and given the strength to resist it (1 Cor. 10:13). Pray that you would 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. *Radical - Taking Back Your Faith From The American Dream* by David Platt. These resources are typically available through a local Christian bookstore or at www.CBD.com / 800.247.4784]
- ❑ 29. **National Revival** / Pray that the Holy Spirit would 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, and social responsibility. Additionally, pray that any schemes of the enemy to thwart God’s plans and truth, in the nation, your church, or in your home, would 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” would 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** _____