

“The true church lives and moves and has its being in prayer”
“The only power that God will yield to is that of prayer” Leonard Ravenhill

The Strategic Prayer Initiative – UK October 2020

- ❑ **1. Pastors** / Pray for the spiritual health of our pastor. Pray he is intellectually stimulated and encouraged in his reading and study. May God continually grant him a joyful and vivacious spirit as he teaches the congregation and reach out to the lost. Also, circle the day of your birthday as a second day each month that you pray for Pastor, e.g. if you were born on the 22nd, circle day 22.
- ❑ **2. Persecuted Christians** / Last month, the PM’s Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief resigned. Rehman Chishti MP has been a tireless advocate on freedom of religion or belief for the last 12 months. Pray the UK Government will replace him as soon as possible with an MP who will continue his work with equal dedication and enthusiasm. Persecution has exacerbated worldwide as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. Please consider writing to your MP to ensure that progress continues to be made on freedom of religion or belief and that it remains a priority for UK Government. Source: Open Doors
- ❑ **3. U.K. Supreme Court** / Pray God will draw President and Justice of The Supreme Court, Right Hon. Lord Reed to make decisions in keeping with the purity and character of the living Judeo-Christian God.
- ❑ **4. Unreached People Groups** / Pray that God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 27,365,000 member Uzbek, Northern group of Uzbekistan.
- ❑ **5. The Nations** / Kuwait - Pray for God to make Himself known to Muslims. Pray for the salvation of Kuwaitis studying in nations where the Gospel is openly proclaimed. Pray for expatriate believers to be fearless speakers of truth. The constitution of Kuwait provides for absolute freedom of belief and for freedom of religious practice. The constitution stated that Islam is the state religion and that Sharia is a source of legislation. Source: www.prayercast.com
- ❑ **6. Each Country’s Leader** / Pray that Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the primary leader in the country of India (1.3 billion), will be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that will help the gospel to spread freely in country, and allow Christians and other minorities to live without persecution.
- ❑ **7. An Orphanage Needing Your Prayers** / Pray for all of the children, and the workers, who live at the Steung Hav Kinship Project in Southern 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 home can be seen at www.kinshipunited.org
- ❑ **8. Gratitude** / Thank the Lord for the great supply of food we enjoy, the many varieties of vegetables, fruit, nuts and meats. Pray for the vast numbers in the world that are undernourished and worry where their next meal is coming from. Consider fasting for 2 meals to pray for the needy of the world. [Currently 25,000 die daily of starvation, 800+ million are hungry, and almost 200 million are starving.]
- ❑ **9. Christian Ministries** / Wycliffe Bible Translators has helped people around the world translate the Bible into their own languages for over 70 years. Ask God to help the translators and to give them a love for the people they are working with.
- ❑ **10. Youth** / Praise the Lord for all the young people in our church fellowship. May they each “remember their creator in the days of their youth” They are growing up in difficult days. Pray each one will be steadfast in their walk with God.
- ❑ **11. Health Concerns** / Pray for all in our congregation who have been or are struggling with health issues. Lift up all those you know within our church family who have some physical or mental ailment. Pray that each of us will be a comfort to someone who is going through a challenging time health wise.
- ❑ **12. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the Worlds’ Population)** Indonesia - The challenges within the Church are serious. Praise God for Christian growth, pray also for the overcoming failure of discipleship. For seekers and for new believers, there are too few teachers and disciplers. Rapid growth of newer pentecostal and charismatic churches often outpaces the capacity of leadership to put in place good discipleship principles. The availability of Scripture and teaching in a language ordinary people understand will make a huge difference in the area of discipleship Source: Operation World
- ❑ **13. Community Institutions** / Many communities contain businesses/organisations 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 will diminish its effectiveness.
- ❑ **14. Medicine** / In the UK, physician morale is at an all-time low according to a report earlier this year, many junior doctors feel exploited and dehumanised. There is an expectation to meet the demands of the job by prioritising work over the personal welfare of trainees. Conversely physician wellness has been linked to improved system-performance and patient outcomes. Source: The Lancet.
- ❑ **15. Parliament** / Pray for Fiona Bruce MP who is the Conservative Member of Parliament for Congleton. She is a member of the International Development Select Committee and is the Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Pro-Life Group. Fiona came to surrender to Christ at age 27 grateful that she did not have to earn her way to heaven. She is involved in politics to live out her faith and make an impact in the world. Source: Christians in Parliament
- ❑ **16. A Sharing Witness** / Fewer than one in 10 Americans talk about God, faith, religion or spirituality even once a week (8 percent)—and only an additional 15 percent do so once a month. In fact, the average Christian adult says they only have about one spiritual conversation a year. Source: Barna Group. Let us each consider where we stand as individuals in the UK and ask God for wisdom, humility, ideas and courage in sharing our faith.

- ❑ **17. The Lord's Day** / Pray that tomorrow God through the Holy Spirit will move among bible believing churches throughout the UK whether in church or at home. That many come to salvation, sinful strongholds will be broken and that many will seek to know Jesus as master and seek His will for their lives.
- ❑ **18. Abortion** / A court ruling in Bangladesh has triggered a fresh debate over abortion in this socially and religiously conservative Muslim-majority nation. The High Court bench of judges issued a ruling in August asking why abortion-related sections in the Penal Code of 1860 should not be declared illegal. Although abortion remains illegal in Bangladesh, it has been available in various forms for decades. There are 20 Christian hospitals and 70 community clinics, mostly in rural areas where there is no doctor. These facilities often face pressure to conduct abortions. Rape is a common problem in this nation. Pray that righteousness prevails in Bangladesh. Source: Family News
- ❑ **19. Health Crisis** / Three deficiencies factor into diminished access to healthcare in developing nations; lack of knowledge, lack of medical practitioners and lack of resources. Even the most knowledgeable healthcare providers are limited without the proper equipment and medications and a clean shelter in which to work. Pray for all medical professionals working in third world countries especially those in Christian missions. Pray also for an adequate supply of medicines and equipment.
- ❑ **20. Important Legal or Relief Situation** / Pray for the people in Lebanon after the recent explosion killed hundreds and displaced 300,000. Lebanon was already facing several crises: It has the world's highest concentration of refugees (about 30% of the population) It's economic crisis has led to power cuts, lack of safe drinking water, limited public healthcare, high unemployment, and protests. COVID-19 infections stretch the capacity of hospitals to provide services. Pray that Christian relief agencies such as Samaritan's Purse and World Vision distribute basic needs such as food, household items, and hygiene supplies for displaced families as well as temporary shelter, home repairs and psychological first aid to help children and families. Pray that God would strengthen and encourage the Lebanese people who have been injured or displaced due to the blast. Source: samaritanspurse.org and worldvision.org
- ❑ **21. Praise** / New research confirms the rapid growth of the church in Iran, with Iranian Christians now numbering around one million. The Netherlands-based research group (GAMAAN). seeks to access the opinions of Iranians on sensitive issues that cannot be freely expressed under the Iranian state. Continue to pray for Iranian believers who still suffer a high degree of persecution. Source: Christian Institute
- ❑ **22. Covid 19** / During these unprecedented times, Care for the Family exists to support individuals and families through whatever is being faced – either as a result of the current crisis or due to age old pressures on family life. They maybe contacted by email or by calling 02920 810 800. Pray for all Christian ministries seeking to provide relief and aid during the current pandemic.
- ❑ **23. Education** / “Coalition in Defence of Primary Educators” was formed to defend parental rights has written to England's senior bishop urging him to reverse the Bishops' Conference's policy of supporting the government's pro-LGBT, pro-contraception, and pro-abortion “Relationships and Sex Education” legislation, made compulsory in all schools across England. Source: Life Site News
- ❑ **24. The Church in Iraq** / It has been three years since the guns fell silent in Mosul, the erstwhile capital of the Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS). However, the Islamic terrorist group still cherishes the idea of reviving the caliphate, giving Iraq's ancient Christian minority a bleak chance to reclaim their ancestral lands. More than 10,000 Islamic State fighters are reported to be active in Iraq and Syria. Pray earnestly for the Christians in Iraq that the Lord will repel terrorist forces and bring peace. Source: Family Watch
- ❑ **25. NHS guidelines** / Male staff must now be allowed to use women's facilities in hospitals, according to new trans guidelines from an NHS trust in Scotland. A transgender policy document published by NHS Lanarkshire says women's toilets, showers and changing rooms can be used by a male employee living as a woman, even if female staff object. Five other NHS trusts, including Greater Glasgow and Clyde and Highland, have adopted similar policies. Pray that these guidelines be refuted. Source: Christian Institute
- ❑ **26. Cultural Influencers** / Mel Gibson, Australian actor and director is working on a sequel to the film *Passion of the Christ* which was released in 2004 and focused on the last 12 hours of Christ before his death on the cross. The sequel deals with the resurrection of Christ and the book of Revelation. The completion and release is scheduled for 2022. Pray for Mel Gibson and all who work on the set and that this work would be God honouring. Pray for those who will watch the film including those in Muslim lands where the first film was aired.
- ❑ **27. Scottish Hate Crime Bill** / The Christian Institute has launched the “Free to Disagree campaign” against “stirring up hatred” offences in the Scottish hate crime Bill. The Institute has been campaigning for free speech and gospel freedom for twenty years but never has experienced so many people agreeing with this concern from such a wide cross section of society. The Bill will be debated by the Scottish Parliament in the coming months. It won't just affect Scotland. There is a real possibility people in England or Wales who publish material in Scotland, e.g. on social media, could be visited by Scottish police and accused of ‘stirring up hatred’ north of the border.
- ❑ **28. Prime Ministers Cabinet** / Pray for Rt. Hon Rishi Sunak MP and Chancellor of the Exchequer
- ❑ **29. Personal Revival** / Pray you would be shown any sin in your life and be given the strength to resist it (1 Cor. 10:13). Pray for holiness and an ever-deepening personal relationship with the Lord (Luke 10:27). The following is a spiritual growth resource for you to consider. *Knowledge Of The Holy* by A.W. Tozer
- ❑ **Halloween** / Pray that tomorrow God will hold back the dark forces of evil particularly for children. Pray that the enemy's blinders (1 Corinthians 4:4) would be removed and that many will come to see the Lord Jesus Christ as the light of the world.
- ❑ **31. Neighbor** _____ **Co-worker** _____

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