

The Strategic Prayer Initiative, Inc.

Yellow Sheet #11 Calvary Hill Homebuilders Ministry

All Yellow Sheets are active for either nine (9) or 12 months. An example could begin on 4-1-17 and ends on 12-31-17.

A Yellow sheet is *not* typically intended to be confidential, unless *all* participants choose it to be in advance.

Those creating a Yellow Sheet should fill in a sheet number, a name, and the beginning and ending dates i.e. the four (4) underlined items above. The name of the Yellow Sheet can be anything you think would be helpful, it does not have to be the name of a church.

[Note: we would also like to point out that some teams will find it valuable to have quarterly luncheons with the members of their team, but this is only an option, not a necessity. At these luncheons team members can get to know each other better, pick up some nuances concerning various prayer requests, as well as hear live updates concerning the 31 prayer requests. These luncheons can be very positive events!]

Although the needs concerning physical health issues are very, very important, we do ask that they not be included on Team Yellow Sheets or General Yellow Sheets. The reason we ask that they not be included is that prayers for physical healing needs almost always get listed in church bulletins and/or on church prayer lists, so they are usually already getting addressed. On the other hand, the purpose of the Yellow Sheets is to create large amounts of persistent prayer (see Luke 18:1-8) for other types of strategic requests, and then (when appropriate) to share the answers with others as a way to encourage them to pray more. On a different note, physical healing needs can be included as part of a more powerful SPI™ (Strategic Prayer Initiative™) tool known as a Silver Bullets Prayer Team.

Basic Features of an SPI Yellow Sheet:

- a. Yellow Sheets are typically printed on yellow paper due to yellow being one of the two easiest to locate colors. (Please try to print Yellow Sheets on yellow paper or yellow card stock whenever possible.)
- b. All Yellow Sheets are active for either nine (9) months or 12 months. This is decided up front.
- c. There are actually two (2) types of Yellow Sheets. There is a Team Yellow Sheet and a **General Yellow Sheet**. The General Yellow Sheet has 31 prayer requests on it, and the prayer requests are written or gathered by the person (or the team) that is creating and/or putting together the particular General Yellow Sheet. A Team example is available at www.praycords.org.
- d. A **Team Yellow Sheet** is made up of a team of 31 individuals, and each team member has a one and a half sentence prayer request that they have created or requested. (A Team Administrator is traditionally given day 31.)
- e. Individuals using a Yellow Sheet pray for one item a day, which takes less than one minute and then, (only) once a month, team members spend 20 to 30 minutes to pray through all 31 prayer requests. This way each prayer request on a nine (9) month Team Yellow Sheet gets prayed twice each day or just over 500 times during the nine months. This is an amazing amount of persistent prayer considering how easy/manageable the commitment is for the 31 team members. On a Team Yellow Sheet, the team member's day to pray for the whole list is the date shown next to their name.
- f. Yellow Sheets are **not** considered confidential, unless decided to be before the Yellow Sheet becomes active, and is clearly marked as CONFIDENTIAL somewhere near the top of the front side of the Yellow Sheet. However, even when a Team Yellow Sheet is listed as confidential, there is still no guarantee that the contents of the sheet will not somehow leak out or be seen. Consequently, even with a Confidential Yellow Sheet, if it would be really bad if your request somehow got leaked or discovered, you might want to strongly consider picking a different prayer request up front (for the sake of prudence).
- g. Prayers are not allowed to come off of the Yellow Sheet unless they have been clearly answered. When a prayer has been answered, the answer is usually shared with others as an encouragement to pray more, and then replaced with a new request.
- h. There is a small adaptation that can be added up front to a yearlong Team Yellow Sheet or a yearlong General Yellow Sheet. This adaptation is called a Millennium, and it only adds about one extra minute of daily prayer obligation, but it elevates the number of prayers prayed for each of the 31 prayer requests to over one thousand (1,000). So, with a **Millennium Yellow Sheet** this *huge level of persistent prayers* can be achieved with a relatively small amount of effort each day and each month.
- i. Concerning the one prayer each day, each Yellow Sheet team member starts at a different spot on the list on the first of the month. This way each team member prays for a different one of the 31 prayer requests each day. This allows the team, as a whole, to cover each of the 31 prayers each day. On the first of each month the team members pray for their own request (the request next to their name), and then drops down to the next request the next day, and so on.