

# Weekly Online Prayer Focus

## January 4-9, 2020

### DAILY AWAKENING PRAYER:

Pray that the people of Living Hope will be known for holy lives and that the church's good works would shine as a light in our city.  
You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. — Matt. 5:14

### MONDAY: Partners

- Pray for our missionaries in Africa and Europe to remain healthy and safe. Ask God to bless their marriages and families and to bless them to see fruit from their labors.
- Pray for our national church planters to be enthusiastic for the year ahead. Ask God to bless their marriages and families and to bless them to see fruit from their labors.
- Pray for our collegiate and technology-based partners to make a huge impact this year.
- Pray for our local partners to be encouraged and have a clear vision for what God wants to do in them and through them in 2021.

### TUESDAY: Pregnancy Center and Counseling Center

Pray for the individuals and families who come into the Centers for Hope. Pray that each of them would experience the love of Christ and believe in the eternal salvation of Christ alone; no longer living in condemnation. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." **John 3:16-17**

### WEDNESDAY: Continued Revival in Living Hope

Focus your prayer around: **2 Corinthians 5:20** "Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God."

*Pray: Father, Living Hope bears Your name. We are Your representatives in this world. We have dishonored You and Your name through our indifference, unconcern, and lack of holiness. How can You bear allowing us to continue as we are? Have mercy on us, O God! Grant revival to us that we might live lives worthy for Your name's sake.*

### THURSDAY: A need in our city, nation, or world

Pray for our teachers, administrators, workers, and their families.

- Pray for those who are sick to be healed and for their families to stay well.
- Pray for the students to return to in-class learning.
- Pray for all those that will be in the schools to be wise and stay healthy and for there to be no spread of the virus in the schools.
- Pray for the vaccine to be effective and to stop the spread.
- Pray for the emotional, mental, and physical well-being of the teachers and students.

### FRIDAY: Pray Living Hope (LH) will impact our homes, our neighbors, and every generation with the hope of Jesus.

Ask God to bless LH as we begin 2021.

- Pray for the next phase of opening up the other Next Generation ministries to be effective.
- Pray for LH to be unified as we process, pray, and approve our updated Articles of Faith.
- Pray for LH members to get into same-sex groups of 3 to 4 people for encouragement, spiritual conversations, and growth.
- Pray for God to guide us and bless us as we seek to start a new campus on Scottsville Road in the fall.
- Pray for LH members to live on mission and seek to make disciples.

### SATURDAY: Pray for our worship gatherings

This Sunday we begin a new focus for the year: Thriving. Our first series of the year is: **Thriving, During Difficult Days.**

**Title: Thriving During Difficult Days Requires a Realistic Perspective | Text: Nehemiah 1:1-3**

**Main Thrust:** Israel rejected God and the curse He promised came to be. God was gracious and brought them back, but there was no wall to protect the city. Many have believed in the grace of God, but few have constructed a wall of faithfulness to stand against the evil one.

- Challenge people to recognize the real trouble we are all in (**1 Peter 5:8**).
- Encourage people to construct boundaries in their life that will protect them from the evil that is at work in the world and desired by our flesh.
- Teach people what healthy boundaries look like: mentally, spiritually, and relationally. *Make this a point of conversation with your Fight Club or Flourishing Group.*
- Help people look not only to their own lives, but to the lives of others and fulfill the mission of the church so that others can thrive.

**Next Week's Text: Nehemiah 1:4**