

# Weekly Online Prayer Focus

## September 20-25, 2021

### **DAILY AWAKENING PRAYER:**

Pray that God would bring the leaders of our city and nation to faith in Christ.

The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the Lord; he turns it wherever he will. — Prov. 21:1

### **MONDAY: Global Impact: Jacob & Cara**

- Family - Jacob traveled to Liberia to finalize Joseph's adoption on August 28 for 3-5 weeks. Pray that logistics go as smoothly as possible and that Joseph's attachment to our family would be healthy.
- Ministry - Our colleagues just returned for a time in the US (both planned and for health concerns) while we are also back for the completion of Joseph's adoption. Pray that God would work in these situations so that both of our families can return as soon as is wise.
- Pray for the national partners that we work with in northern Portugal. Pray the local church would assume responsibility for evangelism and that they would also delight in the Gospel and seek individual sanctification rather than thinking that it's always their neighbor who needs to grow closer to God and not them.
- Pray for families that are starting back to school in September. Pray for boldness of the parents to be light among other parents, teachers, and faculty they come in contact with.

### **TUESDAY: Pregnancy Center and Counseling Center**

Thank you, Lord, for all of the clients who have graduated from biblical counseling. Thank you for setting them free from the bondage of depression, anxiety, and anger. As they move forward, help them to stand firm in the scriptures they have learned and help them not to submit again to the yoke of sin. **Galatians 5:1** <https://partner.centersforhope.org/>

### **WEDNESDAY: Continued Revival in Living Hope**

Focus your prayer around: **Ephesians 4:30** And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

***Pray:** Father, You have commanded in Your Word that we must not grieve the Holy Spirit. Yet, I confess that we have grieved Your Holy Spirit. He is grieved because of our sin and unwillingness to deal with that sin. I plead that You would grant revival so that we would deal with our sin as never before in our relationship to You. Do this so that Your Holy Spirit will no longer be grieved. Do this so that Your Holy Spirit will be pleased to release His power into our midst.*

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

Pray for God to provide political, media, educational, entertainment, and Church leaders that the US can trust and follow with confidence and in unity.

- Pray for God to remove divisive and destructive leaders that are causing division in our nation and destroying foundations that provide for the welfare and protection of the nation.
- Pray for God to provide strong, capable, moral leaders to influence the nation.
- Pray for God to forgive us for turning our backs on Him. Pray for a great awakening. Pray for the nation to turn to God through faith in Jesus Christ.
- Pray for God's Church to unite around the Gospel and stay focused on the mission of living godly, Spirit-filled lives that honor Jesus and of making disciples of Jesus.

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

Pray for the Family Fun & Food Trucks night on September 26.

- Pray for us to have great weather.
- Pray for it to be a night of inspiration and reconnection for our congregation.

- Pray for LH to enjoy the night and for each of us to have the opportunity to see people we have not seen in a while.
- Pray for LH to come away from the night with a greater love for Jesus, for LH, and for those God has called us to reach with the Gospel in Bowling Green and the world.

**SATURDAY: Pray for our worship gatherings tomorrow.**

We continue our series: **Thriving with Purpose**

**This Sunday: Focusing with Purpose | Nehemiah 13:1-14**

**Main Thrust:** The world will constantly allure us away from Christ. Our flesh is naturally inclined to reject Christ and pursue the world. In order to live a life blessed by God, we must stay focused.

- Challenge people to see the ways they are tempted to get away from God's will (while Nehemiah was away there were lots of sinful practices and activities that took place).
- Encourage people to change their lifestyle to match God's commands and to expel sin from their lives (Nehemiah tossed Tobiah and got the Levites and priests back to work).
- Teach people to remain focused on God's will and refuse to accept worldly ways in their lives (Nehemiah refused to allow things to stay as they were. He took charge and did hard things.)
- Help people see the blessing in obeying God's will and the freedom we have in God's will to ask for God's blessing (v.14).

**Next Week's Text: Nehemiah 13:15-31**