

Weekly Online Prayer Focus

January 3-8, 2021

DAILY AWAKENING PRAYER:

Pray that God's kingdom would come in power to our homes, our neighbors, and every generation so that many will come to know Christ and do His will.

Your kingdom come. — Matt. 6:10

MONDAY: Global Impact Families

- Pray for all of the families of our overseas partners and national church planters.
- Pray for the marriages of the couples to be strong in the grace of God.
- Pray for the children of these families to love Jesus and grow in His grace.
- Pray for the ministries of these families.
- Praise for the partners and key leaders that serve with and support these families.

TUESDAY: Pregnancy Center and Counseling Center

Lord, we bring before you the woman who has just discovered an unexpected pregnancy. Help her to call on you and to understand your love for both her and her unborn child. We ask that you guide this woman to The Pregnancy Center so that she can glimpse the life that is growing inside of her. Rescue her from distress and set her free from sinful behaviors that might harm her or her unborn child. **Psalm 118:5** <https://partner.centersforhope.org/>

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 God to revive, strengthen, and unify Biblically-sound churches around the world to fulfill the mission of making disciples of Jesus.

- Pray for these churches to be faithful to stand on the authority of the Scriptures.
- Pray for these churches to be unified and at peace.
- Pray for these churches to have generous members who give tithes and offerings faithfully.
- Pray for the leaders and members of these churches to be faithful to care for their flocks.

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

Pray for Living Hope as we prepare to enter into a new year of ministry.

- Pray for the new series: ***Life in the Kingdom of God***. Ask God to use it to transform our thinking about how we live our lives as disciples of Jesus, the King of kings.
- Pray for Living Hope members to engage immediately in gathering for worship and bringing family and friends to experience the love of God in our gathered church family.
- Pray for Living Hope to continue to care for families who have been impacted by tornado damage.
- Pray for God to provide for the needs of the Living Hope family as we enter 2022.

SATURDAY: Pray for our worship gatherings tomorrow.

We launch our first series based on the 2022 theme: **Life in the Kingdom of God | SERIES: The Prayer of the Kingdom of God**

- Jesus Christ is the King of kings and Lord of lords. There is none like Him. He has won the victory over sin and death and now reigns and will one day return to make all things new.
- He serves as the high priest of heaven and is constantly making intercession for His people.
- During His earthly ministry, Jesus taught His disciples how to pray. This method and structure for prayer is how the citizens of the Kingdom of God now pray.
- In this series, we will study this prayer and learn how to pray *The Prayer of the Kingdom of God*.

The title: Praying to the Holy Father of the King | Text: Matthew 6:9

Main Thrust: There are no singular pronouns for the disciples of Jesus in this prayer. This reminds God's people to pray as those who belong together, under God as citizens of His Kingdom. We are to pray to "our Father in heaven."

- Challenge people to understand the command and the privilege of praying to holy God as Father.
- Encourage people to honor God's name and to pray with great awe and reverence, but also with confidence because we are talking to, "our Father."
- Teach people why we pray to God who is in heaven by explaining the biblical world-view of reality in terms of the distinction between heaven and earth, while reminding what was intended at creation and will one day be realized with the new heaven and earth.
- Help people be inspired to pray with gratitude and optimism to the great God of heaven who is sovereign over all things and who is "our Father" because of "our brother" who is Christ Jesus, the King.

Next Week's Text: Matthew 6:10