

May 7th, 2023 – Prayers in the Trench – #2

We are calling the month of May, a month to Pray. We actually started at the end of April and will continue this month. Many Christians like structure and format when they go to church, however, since Jesus is Head of the Church, it is incumbent for us to be obedient when Holy Spirit directs us to move with Him. It is almost like we are back in the Book of Acts days of the early church. Persecutions abound on all sides and many Christians are not standing when these persecutions arise. Like the Apostle Paul says to the Ephesian church in **Ephesians 6:13**; *“Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.”*

As we mentioned last week, the end of May are provincial elections here in Alberta for the Premiership. **1 Timothy 2:1-4** says; *“Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior.”*

Christians who are losing heart have a helpless outlook, thinking, what good does prayer do. But as the church, we must keep on praying, taking our authority as Jesus commanded us to do and not loose heart. We’re not to be ignorant concerning the devils’ devices as it says in **2 Corinthians 2:11**.

We acknowledge that many times we do not how to pray as our natural, rational mind and emotions can get the best of us, but by praying in tongues we know that our prayers are pure because the Holy Spirit prays exactly the will of God as it says in **Romans 8:26-27**; *“²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession ^{is} for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.”*

We would like to exhort all Christians to pray this month for these elections. Pray in tongues – pray the perfect will of God. That’s what the majority of our praying on Sunday was, in tongues – in the Spirit. We pray that the Holy Spirit quickens Christians across Canada and around the world to intercede for these elections. The Bible says in **2 Chronicles 7:14 (Amplified)**; *“If My people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves, pray, seek, crave, and require of necessity My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land.”* We prayed for a healing of our land as the church prays and stands in the gap.

Ezekiel 22:30 says; *“and I sought a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found none.”*

As the church, we want to be found by the Lord Jesus standing in the gap, interceding, and praying for God’s will to be done in Alberta and Canada.

The Lord God knows the thoughts and intentions of each political person and the parties they represent. We prayed against all election fraud operating through anyone to influence the election.

We also prayed against the demonic homosexual/transsexual agendas and programs that are wanting to influence and coerce politicians. We prayed over our Prime Minister also. The Bible says in **Proverbs 16:18**; *“Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.”*

It is evident that the leader of Canada walks in much overweening pride and haughtiness towards the Christian community, morals, ethics and the like. But the prophet Daniel says this in talking about King Nebuchadnezzar in **Daniel 2:20-21**; *“²⁰ Daniel answered and said: “Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, For wisdom*

and might are His. ²¹ And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding.”

No political leader is exempt from the hand of God removing them when their ways are evil and when they act like megalomaniacs. This also goes for the World Economic Forum leaders who are hell bent on crippling the world, the economy, and the well-being of mankind. As mentioned earlier, the church has been given all authority in Jesus’ name to bind the works of satan, and so we continue to bind the demonic agenda working through these worldly and godless men and women.

Here is a list of all the parties that are running for election in Alberta and their abbreviations. Not all will have representatives in each riding, but they need to be prayed for.

- Advantage Party of Alberta: APA
- Alberta Liberal Party: ALP
- Alberta New Democratic Party: NDP
- Alberta Party: AP
- Communist Party - Alberta: CPA
- Green Party of Alberta: GPA
- Pro-Life Alberta Political Association: PAPA
- Reform Party of Alberta: REF
- The Buffalo Party of Alberta: BPA
- The Independence Party of Alberta: TIP
- United Conservative Party of Alberta: UCP
- Wildrose Independence Party of Alberta: WIP

We pray for God’s will to be done in Alberta’s elections. God is not willing that any perish but that all come to repentance according to **2 Peter 3:9**. Pray church – pray!

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