

## Overview of Church Prayer Meeting – January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Our nation, Canada, is going through major political upheaval right now. Our Prime Minister has handed in his resignation but will stay on in power until another leader is elected by his party to replace him. We regularly pray for our leaders, but this is a crucial time in our nation and the church must rise and intercede fervently for the right person to replace him and for the next person who will be voted in as Prime Minister. We must wage war in the spirit realm to break the assignments of the devil off of Canada. **Ephesians 6:12** says; *“For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere.”*

Our authority to pray like this was given by Jesus Himself in **Luke 10:19**; **“Behold! I have given you authority and power to trample upon serpents and scorpions, and [physical and mental strength and ability] over all the power that the enemy [possesses]; and nothing shall in any way harm you.”**

We know the devil has an agenda for Canada, but we also know God’s plan is to bless this nation and to have a leader who blesses it. This is what we prayed for. **Daniel 2:21** says; *“It is He who changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and establishes kings. He gives wisdom to the wise and [greater] knowledge to those who have understanding!”* This is not just for the head figure but also those who are supporting, endorsing and propping up the leaders.

Jesus has told us that we should pray for God’s will to be done, so that’s how we pray, by using His word to validate it and declare His plan and purpose. It’s also important in prayer to have a heart attitude of humility and forgiveness. Jesus says in **Mark 11:25**; *“And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him and [a]let it drop (leave it, let it go), in order that your Father Who is in heaven may also forgive you your [own] failings and shortcomings and let them drop.”*

The Lord is calling Canada to repentance, and like what happened to Jonah in the Old Testament, people have been sent and are continually being sent to tell the leaders of the land to repent from their wickedness. Nineveh, as terribly sinful, wicked and evil that it was, believed that what Jonah prophesied would come to pass and their city would be destroyed if they didn’t repent. We’re in a season where people and nations are deciding whom they’ll serve. God spared Nineveh, and God will have mercy to those who repent from their sins. So we prayed that Canada would repent of its sins and turn to Jesus Christ who alone is able to save.

We personally believe that because of the lukewarm state of Christian churches in Canada, and the wickedness of our Prime Minister, our country is not safe from enemy invasions. All the more reason for Christians to be praying like never before. Pray hard! *“The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet...”* **Romans 16:20**

Here are some Scriptures on the church coming together to pray;

**Matthew 18:20**; *“For wherever two or three are gathered (drawn together as My followers) in (into) My name, there I Am in the midst of them.”*

**Acts 1:14**; *“All these with **one mind and one purpose** were continually **devoting themselves to prayer**, [waiting together] along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.”*

**Acts 2:42;** *“They were continually and faithfully **devoting themselves** to the instruction of the apostles, and to fellowship, to [a]eating meals together and to **prayers**.”*

**Acts 12:12;** *“When he realized what had happened, he went to the house of [a]Mary the mother of John, who was also called [b]Mark, where many [believers] were gathered together and were **praying continually** [and had been praying all night].”*

**Acts 13:2-3;** *“2 While they were **serving the Lord and fasting**, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul (Paul) for the work to which I have called them.” 3 Then after fasting and **praying**, they laid their hands on them [in approval and dedication] and sent them away [on their first journey].”*

**Acts 12:5;** *“So Peter was kept in prison, but **fervent and persistent prayer** for him was being made to God by the church.”*

**Colossians 4:2;** *“Be persistent and **devoted to prayer**, being alert and focused in your **prayer life** with an attitude of thanksgiving.”*

**Ephesians 6:18;** *“With all **prayer and petition pray** [with specific requests] at all times [on every occasion and in every season] in the Spirit, and with this in view, stay alert with all perseverance and petition [**interceding in prayer**] for all God’s people.”*

**1 Timothy 2:1;** *“First of all, then, I urge that **petitions** (specific requests), **prayers**, **intercessions** (prayers for others) and thanksgivings be offered on behalf of all people, 2 For kings and all who are in positions of authority or high responsibility, that [outwardly] we may pass a quiet and undisturbed life [and inwardly] a peaceable one in all godliness and reverence and seriousness in every way. ”*

**2 Corinthians 1:11;** *“ while you join in helping us by your **prayers**. Then thanks will be given by many persons on our behalf for the gracious gift [of deliverance] granted to us through the **prayers of many [believers]**.”*

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