

# COMMUNITY PRAYER GUIDE

**“Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.” Psalm 100:1**

## Church

Pray for God’s vision and wisdom to be given to your pastor and church leadership for the coming season.  
 Pray for your church to have God’s direction in preparation for the new school year.  
 Pray for your church to be equipped in the Word, filled with the Spirit and sent into our community.  
 Pray for God to be gracious, for His peace, and for His face to shine upon us and our community.

## Education

Pray for educators to experience rest and soul care this summer.  
 Pray for job openings in schools to be filled by Jesus-followers who have wisdom and solutions.  
 Pray for churches to have the Holy Spirit’s inspiration to support educators and students with God’s grace.  
 Pray for school leaders to have wisdom to rebuild teams and “communities of trust” with parents & teachers.

## Family

Pray for the Lord’s peace and provision for families struggling with inflationary costs.  
 Pray for God to strengthen marriages with his love, direction and hope for the future.  
 Pray for families to maximize quality family time together through recreation and communication.  
 Pray for every home to be filled with God’s shalom that brings healing for parents, kids & singles.

## Business

Pray for God to unite Jesus-following workplace leaders with His vision for our community.  
 Pray for God to empower local business leaders with wisdom to navigate uncertain economic times.  
 Pray for God to raise up quality employees for businesses despite the labor shortage.

## Behind the Requests: New Mental Health Stabilization Center

Local community stakeholders are collaborating to create a new **Stabilization Center** for Lane County to provide immediate access to support for individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis. The program will provide assessment, respite, and connection to long-term care for youth and adults in crisis. It will accept walk-ins, law enforcement drop-offs, and referrals from hospitals and other social services. Law enforcement leaders, fire department leaders and mental health leaders are in agreement about our community’s need of this center.

## Health Care Testimony

As we have been praying for more mental health professionals to be raised up in our community, the CAFA (Christians as Family Advocates) Director gives glory to God for a grant they received to increase staff, provide hiring bonuses to new hires and current employees. Plus, they have more student interns than at any time in CAFA’s history!

## Government

Pray for God to provide the right location for the new “Stabilization Center” that is in development.  
 Pray for God’s wisdom to be given to staff and elected officials in our state, county and city governments.  
 Pray for God to lead government, church, business and non-profits to effectively shepherd unhoused people.

## Health Care

Pray for the protection, health & strength of all Health Care Providers (HCPs).  
 Pray for God to provide more “in patient” nurses, as there is a significant staffing shortage.  
 Pray for an increase of funding for “more beds” for residential treatment programs for substance abuse.  
 Pray for God to provide more mental health case managers and counselors.  
 Pray for Jesus-following HCPs to be speak the love and truth of Jesus.

**“Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.”  
Psalm 100:2**

### **Arts**

Pray for Jesus-following artists to be anointed to express God’s love & truth through.  
Pray for artists who don't know Jesus to discover the Creator & engage the creative process.  
Pray for God’s hand to guide all teachers who oversee “the arts” in local schools.  
Pray for more children’s books to be written that highlight true and life-giving virtues.

### **Media**

Pray for Jesus-glorifying stories to be reported through local media outlets.  
Pray for God to use social media posts to bring hope to those struggling with suicide.  
Pray for reporters: clear vision, grace to report complete stories, blessing and protection.  
Pray for truthful, fair and accurate reporting in all areas of local media.

### **Police & Fire Departments**

Pray for God to give encouragement & wisdom to the leadership teams of first responders.  
Pray for people of character to be hired by law enforcement, as there are open positions.  
Pray for God to guide the process and selection of the next Eugene & Springfield Fire Chief.  
Pray for the wisdom, peace and safety of those serving in our police and fire departments.

### **Sports**

Thank the Lord for a blessed and peace-filled World Track & Field Championships!  
Pray for safety, protection and peace over every public sporting event.  
Pray for all young people to be involved in healthy physical activities, sports, and recreation.  
Pray for more Christ-honoring sports organizations to be established in our community.

**“Know that the LORD is God.  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.”  
Psalm 100:3**

## **World Championships Testimonies**



We prayed for the 2022 World Track & Field Championships for more than five years! God's peace and blessing was evident from our international guests' remarks about the warm hospitality they received to broadcasters' comments on Eugene's beauty. The peace was noticeable in our streets and there were no major public safety concerns. Plus, multiple medalist publicly gave glory to Jesus following their performances. Australian Olympic Medalist in high jump, Nicola McDermott, recorded her testimony for @overflowhope (watch on Instagram, Facebook or Youtube) and encouraged local young adults and pastors. Read more stories and watch gold medalist Sydney McLaughlin give glory to Jesus after breaking her own world record at Hayward Field here: [onehopenetwork.org/testimonies](https://onehopenetwork.org/testimonies).



### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

Kids & Family Prayer Guide: [onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide](https://onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide)  
Spanish Prayer Guide: [onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide](https://onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide)  
Answers to Prayer: [onehopenetwork.org/testimonies](https://onehopenetwork.org/testimonies)

