"Prayer is warfare. Just getting to prayer is half the battle; staying there is the other half." Anonymous

"On the basis of the record of the whole Bible, I would say that prayer and fasting combined constitute the strongest single weapon that has been committed to God's believing people." Derek Prince

"The greatest impact any of us can have on Christ's global cause is to be involved in consistent prayer for the whole world and to teach other Christians how to pray this way." David Bryant

## The Strategic Prayer Initiative -- July 2025

-- Pray that the Holy Spirit will aid your pastor in sermon preparation and

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delivery. Please also circle the day of your birthday (for example the 17th) as a second day each month that you pray for the Senior Pastor.

1. Senior Pastor /

| 2. Persecuted Christians / Pray for a young woman (and those like her) in Sierra Leone who had to escape her own family because she stood up for her Christian beliefs. She became a follower of Christ as a young girl after meeting Christians when she had left her village to attend school. When she returned home, her family wanted to initiate her into a secret society, but she told them, "My faith doesn't permit me. I am a daughter of Christ." An estimated 90% of Sierra Leoneans are aligned with secret societies that dominate all aspects of life in the country. They practice demonic rituals that include bodily mutilation and the ritual killing of humans. As a result of the young woman's profession of Christian faith, her family threatened to kill her as a ritual offering to their gods. She escaped into the forest and is now learning sewing skills with 45 other young women who were also rejected by their families for coming to faith in Christ. Pray for safety and provisions for those who follow Christ in Sierra Leone. (Source: www.icommittopray.com) |
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| 3. U.S. Supreme Court / Pray for God to draw Justice Samuel Alito into a deeper relationship with Himself. Pray that the Lord will speak into Justice Alito's life in many ways, including through his dreams. Pray that God will help him to make decisions that will be in keeping with the purity and character of the living Judeo/Christian God. Pray that the Lord will bring future justices of His choice onto the Court in His sovereign timing.  |
| <b>4.</b> Unreached People Groups / Pray that God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 42,823,000 member Persian group of Iran. (Source: www.joshuaproject.net)   |
| 5. Each Country's Leader / Pray that President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, the primary leader of Ghana (34.6 million), will be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that will help the gospel to spread freely in his country, and allow people to live in peace. A key source: Complimentary World Prayer Map via <a href="www.ehc.org">www.ehc.org</a> ["I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings and all those in authority [so we can have peace and see people saved]" 1Timothy 2:1-4]  |
| <b>6. Bibleless People Groups</b> / Pray that the Spain Sign Language Cluster (60,000) people of Spain will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. (Source: www.wycliffe.org)  |
| 7. Additional Pastors &/or Staff /,  |
| <b>8.</b> An Orphanage Needing Your Prayers / Pray for all of the children, and the workers, who live at the House of Mercy Sorong in Indonesia. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit's help in raising up genuine Christian disciples with each of the children. Pictures of the home can be seen at <a href="https://www.kinshipunited.org">www.kinshipunited.org</a> . Ask the Lord to help your church to adopt an orphanage (see James 1:27).   |
| 9. Abortion Clinics & Alternatives / Planned Parenthood - Roanoke Health Center - 2207 Peters Creek Road, Roanoke, VA (Abortion Clinic) - Pray that the Holy Spirit will compel all patients to insist on seeing an ultrasound of their fetus/baby. Pray that no fetus/baby with a beating heart will be aborted. Pray that the leaders of this center will seek God's will concerning these weighty matters.  |
| Blue Ridge Women's Center - 5034 Williamson Rd, Roanoke, VA ( <u>Alternative To Abortion</u> ) - Pray that today, (the 9 <sup>th</sup> of July 2025), God will compel one or more pregnant women considering abortion to come to this center via word-of-mouth, ads, or supernatural means. Pray that each will clearly know God led them and that they will choose not to abort.  |
| 10. Pornography and Other Addictions / Pray that the Lord would supernaturally work out circumstances (without violence) to cause the closing of companies who are providing verbal pornography (phone-sex) in the United States and in the world.   |
| 11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the World's Population) / India — Pray for unreached people in India, which has more unreached individuals than any other nation. Christians in India are very unequally spread - the south and northeast have a much higher proportion of Christians than the more populated north and west. Thirteen states in North India are less than 1% Christian. Pray that the Church worldwide might rise to this task. There is, however, more church growth than ever in the north, from megachurches of 7,000 to networks of tens of thousands of house churches. A vision exists for 1 million churches planted in the north in the next 10 years. Ask God to draw people of this area to Himself. (Source: www.operationworld.org)  |
| 12. The Damascus Road Petition / Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ will supernaturally intervene on behalf of Sunni Muslim leaders who are sincerely attempting to love God with their whole heart. Ask Christ to speak to them directly, as He did for the Apostle Paul on the road to Damascus. (Jeremiah 29:13)   |
| 13. Community Institutions / Many communities contain businesses or organizations whose practices serve (some unknowingly) "the forces of evil" (tarot card readers/fortune tellers, zones of prostitution, churches or temples of false religions, etc.). Choose one from your community and pray in the authoritative name of Jesus Christ that the Lord and his angels will diminish its effectiveness.   |
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| 31. Neighbor Co-worker   |
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| <b>30. Laborers</b> / Jesus Christ taught that the majority would see eternal destruction and only the minority would take the narrow path to eternal life (Mt. 7:13-14 & 7:21-23). Pray as He directed that "laborers" will be raised up to help more find the narrow path to heaven. [The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lordto send out laborers. Mt. 9:37-38]  |
| 29. National Revival / Pray that the Holy Spirit will be poured out on the United States, bringing deep conviction of sin, and ushering in an extended season of national repentance, conversion, pursuit of holiness, social responsibility, and the coming of God's Manifest Presence. Pray that any schemes of the enemy to thwart God's plans and truth in the nation, your church, or in your home, will have no effect.  |
| <b>28. Personal Revival</b> / Pray that you will be shown any sin in your life and given the strength to resist it (1 Cor. 10:13). Pray that you will be led to <b>an ever-deepening personal relationship with the Lord</b> (Luke 10:27). [The following is a spiritual growth resource for you to consider. <i>Jesus Calling - Enjoying Peace in His Presence</i> (A Daily Devotional) by Sarah Young. These resources are typically available through a local Christian bookstore or at www.ChristianBook.com / 800.247.4784]   |
| <b>27. Important Legal or Humanitarian Relief Situation</b> / Pray for a just and favorable outcome to <i>First Choice Women's Resource Center v. Platkin</i> . According to Alliance Defending Freedom, the prolife pregnancy center was being targeted for its pro-life beliefs when it was subpoenaed to provide a donor list as well as internal confidential records without showing any cause or wrongdoing. Pray that governments won't be able to target Christian entities solely on the basis of beliefs with which the state may disagree. (Source: www.adflegal.org)   |
| <b>26. Television</b> / Ask the Lord to bring men and women, excellent in knowledge, skills, and abilities, and with high morals, into favor at all levels of the PBS network, and cause the removal of dishonest employees. Additionally, continue to pray specifically that God would stop nudity from becoming part of broadcast television in the United States and diminish it on streaming services.   |
| <b>25. Power Players in Media</b> / Sofia Vergara (Actor) Pray for God's personal impact on her life, for guidance and wisdom, and for her to come to a deeper relationship with the living God. Pray that God will infuse her decisions with a strong moral dimension. (Source:www.mastermediaintl.com)   |
| <b>24.</b> Cultural Influencers / Paul Buccieri - Pres A+E Networks (Lifetime, History & A+E) Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that he will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on his life. (Source:www.mastermediaintl.com)   |
| 23. The Education System / Pray that the Holy Spirit would clearly guide Christian students entering our universities this fall to majors of His choice, or areas of study that will be the most beneficial for future challenges the church will face.  |
| 22. The Family / Pray that God would protect marriages from sexual temptation and adultery. Pray this specifically for two couples you know.   |
| 21. The Church / Pray that God would heal and resolve any secret sin in the leadership of our nation's churches. For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God. (James 1:22-25, James 4:4 and 1 Peter 2:11)  |
| 20. The Poor / Casinos and lotteries are very crippling to the poor. Pray that the lure of gambling away ones's paycheck or welfare check to hit the "big jackpot" would be replaced with a passion for hard work, responsible spending, and helping those less fortunate. (Gal. 2:10 and Matt. 25:44-45)  |
| 19. The Nations / Burkino Faso - Pray for believers to deal biblically with extreme poverty issues and to overcome a dependence mentality. Pray for the occult power to be broken and made decisively subordinate to the name of Jesus. Pray for the indigenous church to continue to grow both in influence and as a missions-sending body.(Source: www.prayercast.com and www.operationworld.org)  |
| 18. President and the President's Cabinet / Pray for God to draw President Trump and Vice-President JD Vance to Himself and move them to make decisions that allow Christians "to live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." (2 Timothy 2:2) Pray also for Cabinet Member Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Russ Vought - See the Supplemental Prayer Guide for additional prayer suggestions.   |
| 17. U.S. Senate / AR - Sen. Tom Cotton - Pray for God's blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.  |
| 16. U.S. House Of Representatives / Pete Aguilar, CA 33rd - Pray for God's blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.   |
| 15. Christian Ministries / Bethany International - Bethany is a missions training and sending organization dedicated to mobilizing disciples of Jesus worldwide to increase God's Kingdom. Bethany exists to share the Gospel with those who have never heard the Good News—Taking the Church to Where it's Not. Ask God to guide this ministry and open new doors of ministry. (Source: www.ehc.org)  |
| 14. The Strategic Prayer Initiative / If you are not familiar with the efforts of the Strategic Prayer Initiative (SPI <sup>TM</sup> ), here is a short summary. Our primary mission is to use research, Scripture (Psalm 119:105), prayers for guidance (Matthew 21:22), experimentation, and many counselors (Proverbs 15:22) to help develop and refine prayer methodologies. Our focus is to refine approaches that are "undeniably effective" in moving large numbers of Christians to develop and/or maintain "good prayer lives" and to focus those prayers as one critical element of becoming more effective in fighting the spiritual battle. This battle is against sin, evil, injustice, and for the eternal souls of hundreds of millions of women and men throughout the world. Please pray for the Lord to raise up more laborers, prayers, and financial resources for this endeavor. (See early SPI Workshop Video for background information at www.SPIprayer.org) |