

PRAYER GUIDE 24-7 PRAYER MOVEMENT

JULY – SEPTEMBER 2020

CITY & GOVERNMENT

Chief Hwang's Message:

Thank you and your congregation for the prayers that watch over and lift up police officers here in Federal Way. We also appreciate your expressions of gratitude. We receive heaven's help and protection in enumerable ways and we are grateful recipients of that divine care.

It has been a challenging year for the law enforcement community. Earlier this year we responded to the unprecedented COVID crisis (still an ongoing pandemic), and now we are in the forefront of civil unrest in our country, sparked by the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

Being a police officer has never been easy and has become even more difficult and dangerous in recent weeks with extremists threatening police and their families and actually attacking police officers. Police officers and their families are on edge. Even with all this happening, I am grateful for the courage and bravery displayed by the men and women of the Federal Way Police Department, performing their daily duties to keep all of our community members safe during these trying times.

The added threat is taking a toll on many on our officers. Mental and spiritual wellness of our officers will be important moving forward, more so now than ever before. Police officers are ordinary people commissioned with the very important task of keeping peace and order in our society. All they want to do is do their job, do it well, and safely return to their family each day.

We are all living through extraordinary times with COVID and civil unrest. To meet the challenges that lie ahead of us, we must continue to ask God for added wisdom and guidance, and we must pray particularly to help us to address the root causes that create divides between different group of people in our nation. Those include inequities in education, substance abuse and drug addiction, capacity to address people suffering from mental health illness, homelessness, and poverty. Law enforcement

is in the middle of all these and we are incapable of solving these complex social issues. However, we know that there are no barriers too difficult for God. With Him nothing is impossible for all of us collectively.

Finally, please have the Federal Way faith community continue to pray for our community members who are suffering from illness and unemployment due to the COVID-19 crisis, that they feel the presence of the Lord's protection and love during this time. We also ask for prayers for all of our brave police officers on the front line who are working tirelessly, to work towards strengthening our relationships with all people, and to ensure the health and safety of our community. We are human and not perfect, but that does not mean we will ever stop trying to do our best to serve all of our community members.

Andy J. Hwang
Chief of Police

EDUCATION

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for children to adjust well when school restarts in September. By the time the children return to school, they would have been out of school for almost 6 months.
- Pray for MUCH WISDOM for teachers and all staff in how school will function to help keep COVID-19 to not flourish. There are a few options they could do, but again pray for WISDOM.
- Pray for the safety of all the students during the summer.
- Pray for Dr. Campbell also for wisdom and courage to lead well in these unusual and turbulent times.
- Pray for good financial stewardship concerning the financial resources and assets for school programs and facilities.
- Pray for the completion of Wild Wood and Oak Grove. Both are currently meeting and sharing in the former DeVry college building (near World Vision).
- Prayer (EVEN MUCH MORE NOW) that R-90 will strike down the immoral Comprehensive Sex Education curriculum that was signed to be enacted in 2021. Also for any other agendas that are contrary to God's Character and the Truth of His Word.
- Pray for God's Presence to be known in every FWPS building. God does have His Witnesses in the schools.
Declare : For where two or three come together in My Name, there I am in the midst of them (Matthew 18:20).
- Pray for children from solid Christian homes to be His witnesses in the schools. Children can proclaim Jesus by various means where teachers, paras and staff may not be able to. Pray and proclaim God's Word over education: "Come, My children, listen to Me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord" (Psalm 34:11).

BUSINESS

Praise reports:

- God provides for us. It is He who gives us the capacity to make wealth. (Deut. 8:18)
- Our land is a prosperous one and business opportunities are always available.

Prayer requests:

- Pray for the landlords in our community. Many people have lost jobs or had their hours greatly reduced. This puts pressure on tenants and causes them to not pay their rent or be late paying. Ask God to give these owners and managers great wisdom and creativity in managing their cash flow and working out compassionate payment terms for their tenants.
- Many small businesses are struggling with the aftermath of the COVID 19 pandemic. Ask God to give them vision to see ways to restore their businesses to prosperity and their employee teams to regular hours.
- Our national economy has entered uncharted territory. Pray for God's peace over the financial markets. That they would be orderly and remain a positive influence on the U.S. and global economies.
- Economies, the production and distribution of goods and services, function best in settings of political and environmental peace. Ask God to restore a stable and peaceful business environment.

HEALTH

Praise Reports

Most of Washington has transitioned to Phase 2 of the Governor's Order as we continue to attempt flattening the curve

Prayer Reports

- Prayer for our federal and local governing officials that they make wise decision for the health of our community
- Pray for cases of Covid-19 to continue to lower
- Pray for frontline essential hospital workers to be encouraged as they care for all patients.
- Pray for the vulnerable in our community who are more susceptible to contracting COVID-19
- Pray that the Lord uses the pandemic to draw people to Himself.
- Pray for President Trump, Vice President Pence, and the Coronavirus Task Force. Pray for God to give them wisdom on how to lead our Country through this COVID-19 virus.
- Pray for all the first responders and Doctors and Nurses who are caring for those with the COVID-19 virus all around the world. Pray the Lord gives them wisdom and skill to care for all those infected with this virus. Pray for their safety from this virus, and for the safety of their families.
- Pray that God will provide a cure for the COVID-19 virus very soon.
- Pray for those sick around the world with the COVID-19 virus and their families. Pray the Lord will comfort all those who lost loved ones to this virus.
- Pray that the Lord will soften the hearts of unbelievers so they will turn to Him during this crisis, and be saved.
- Pray that God will soon bring an end to this deadly pandemic.

CHURCH

Praise Reports:

The churches have left the buildings and are sharing the Good News to many more people online and in-house churches.

Churches of Federal Way are still feeding students and families in about 10 apartment complexes while school is not in session.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray that God's people would not sink into depression and discouragement with the season of isolation.
- Pray that the church would be unleashed to bring hope by all possible means to a fearful world.
- Pray for a Great 3rd Awakening in America as the church follows 2 Chronicles 7:14. "If my people who are called my Name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven and forgive their sins, and heal their land."
- Pray for the churches to be deployed to meet the tangible physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual needs of our community.
- Pray for the gift of faith and the gifts of healings to operate throughout the church to see the major healings from this pandemic.
- Pray for house churches to expand and grow all throughout the NW