

Knowing what to pray and who to pray for comes easily for some of us.

Others of us have difficulty knowing where to begin. If you are one of those individuals who appreciates a little more structure, then this prayer guide is for you. Each prayer point correlates to a day of the month. Over the duration of the month, you will have prayed for our church, and her leaders, state, national and world leaders, for people groups and for current world events. You will have prayed “strategically and intentionally” for kingdom purposes and kingdom concerns. May we use resources at our disposal to rise to the challenge to “pray without ceasing.”

— Gayle Haywood, Prayer Minister Liaison

April—2016

1. Senior Pastor / Mike Glenn— Pray that God would give our pastor divine guidance in daily scheduling and setting of priorities. Please also circle the day of your birthday (for example the 7th) as a second day each month that you pray for the Senior Pastor.

2. Persecuted Christians / A group of Hindu radicals in India's Chhattisgarh state reportedly attacked and beat 60 Christians worshipping at a Pentecostal church on Sunday, only a week after the Indian government denied visas to a U.S. Commission investigating religious freedom abuses in the country. Please pray for the protection of these Christians and for their faith to persevere in the midst of these persecutions. Source: www.christianpost.com

3. U.S. Supreme Court / Pray for God to sovereignly choose the new Supreme Court Justice, who will be filling the vacated seat caused by the recent passing of Justice Antonin Scalia.

4. Unreached People Groups / Pray that God would raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 32,000,000 member Sunda people group of Indonesia (BFA).

5. Each Country's Leader / President Ashraf Ghani the primary leader in the country of Afghanistan (32,564,342). Pray that this leader would be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that would help the gospel to spread freely in his country, and allow his people to live in peace. A key source: World Prayer Map via www.ehc.org [“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}” 1st Timothy 2:1-4]

6. Bibleless People Groups / Pray that the Hangaza people from Tanzania would have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scriptures in their heart language. Source: www.wycliffe.org/bppp

7. Additional Pastors &/or Staff / New staff members: Evan Kunz, Andy Engberg, Kirby Kuhn, Chris Brooks, Don Crick, Bruce White, Casie Dietrich, and Melanie Hughes. Pray for these people as you feel led by the Holy Spirit. When applicable, also pray the above prayer for our Senior Pastor for these individual as well.

8. Children Of One Orphanage Needing Your Prayers / Pray for “Om Kluy” and “Om Klou” who live in the Ph'er Orphan Home in the city of Kompong Chhnun, Cambodia. Pictures of the homes can be seen at Warm Blankets website. Source: warmblankets.org

9. Abortion Clinics & Alternatives / A Woman's Choice - 1526 W. Glendale Ave. #109, Phoenix, AZ ([Abortion Clinic](http://www.abortionclinic.org)). Pray the Holy Spirit would bring great restlessness to the workers at the clinic regarding their employment. Pray each worker would come to know Christ personally. Pray that the leaders of the center would be seeking God concerning His will in these matters. Arizona Right to Life - 4633 N 54th St. Phoenix, AZ ([Alternative To Abortion](http://www.alternativetoabortion.org)). Pray that today, (the 9th of April 2016), God would compel one or more pregnant women considering abortion to come to this center via word-of-mouth, ads, or supernatural means. Pray that each would clearly know God led them and that they would choose not to abort.

10. Pornography and Other Addictions / Pray for those addicted to gambling to come to a realization of their problem. Pray the Holy Spirit would help break the addictive cycle through accountability, spiritual strength, and/or a 12-Step Programs.

11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 1/3 of the Worlds' Population) / China - Pray for the vulnerable and helpless, most of which remain women, orphans (three million in orphanages), refugees (especially from North Korea) and the millions living in poverty. Pray that true justice be administered, that rescue be granted to those in imminent danger and that mercy and compassion be shown to these through Christ's followers. Source: Operation World

12. The Damascus Road Petition / Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ would supernaturally intervene on behalf of leaders in the Mormon religion 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/organizations whose practices serve (some unknowingly) “the forces of evil” (adult bookstores, tarot card readers, churches of false religions, etc.). Choose one from our community and pray in the authoritative name of Jesus Christ that the Lord would diminish its effectiveness.

14. The Strategic Prayer Initiative / If you are not familiar with the efforts of the Strategic Prayer Initiative™ (SPI™), 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 *SPI Workshop Video* for background information at strategicpi.org)

15. Christian Ministries / The Christian Broadcasting Network - A ministry that utilizes wide-ranging mediums, from CDs to television, to help equip God's people for His work. Pray for God to grant highly effective strategies for this broad-reaching work. (www.ehc.org)

16. U.S. House Of Representatives / Bill Foster IL-11th - Pray for God's blessing and divine revelation if any corruption.

17. Top 7 Leaders From Each State / Treasurer Michael Frerichs - IL -

18. President's Cabinet / Sec. Health & Human Ser. - Sylvia Burwell.

19. The Nations / USA - God is birthing many collaborative citywide movements that seek to make a Kingdom impact through unity, prayer and ministry. Pray for balance, wisdom, and long-term involvement of Christians as salt and light in society. Source: [Operation World](http://OperationWorld.org)

20. The Poor / Pray that God would lead wealthy individuals to look for ways to give the poor opportunities. (Ezk.16:49) Pray the poor would be honest, responsible, and hard working with the opportunities that are made available to them. (2 Thes. 3:10) (Gal. 2:10 and Matthew 25:45-45)

21. The Church / Pray that the richer churches of the world (such as in the US) would find new and creative ways of helping our more financially needy brother and sister churches in other parts of the world. (James 4:4 and 1 Peter 2:11)

22. **The Family** / Pray that God would protect marriages from sexual temptation and adultery. Pray this specifically for two couples you know.

23. **The Education System** / Pray for God's hand of favor, wisdom, and blessing to be on the Christian professors in our nation's secular universities.

24. **Cultural Influencers** / Mariah Carey (Singer) Pray that God would infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that she would help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on her life
Source: mastermediaintl.com

25. **Power Players In Film and Television** / Thomas Tull - Chair & CEO Legendary Pictures (Interstellar, Jurassic World, etc.) Pray for God's personal impact on his life, for guidance and wisdom, and for this individual to come to a deeper relationship with the living God. Pray that God would infuse the decisions of this individual with a strong moral dimension. Source: mastermediaintl.com

26. **Television** / 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 ABC 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.

27. **Important Legal or Relief Situation** / SFC Martland is the Green Beret and Bronze Star recipient set to be expelled from the Army for protecting a young boy from sexual abuse at the hands of an "allied" Afghan commander. The injustice of his punishment has helped shine a spotlight on an appalling Department of Defense policy reportedly requiring service members to look the other way when encountering child sexual abuse perpetrated by our so-called "allies" overseas. Pray for God's intervention on this matter, that justice be served, and children be protected.
Source: www.aclj.org

28. **Personal Revival** / Pray that you would be shown any sin in your life and given the strength to resist it (1 Cor. 10:13). Pray that you would be led to **an ever-deepening personal relationship with the Lord** (Luke 10:27). [Following is a spiritual growth resource for you to consider. These resources are typically available through a local Christian bookstore or at www.CBD.com / 800.247.4784 - [In Search of Holiness](#) by J. I. Packer]

29. **National Revival** / Pray that the Holy Spirit would 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, and social responsibility. Additionally, pray that any schemes of the Enemy to thwart God's plans and truth, in the nation, your church, or in your home, would have no effect.

30. **Laborers** / 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" would 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 Lord...to send out laborers. Mt. 9:37-38*]

31. **Neighbor** _____

Co-worker _____

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What To Pray For

A DAILY PRAYER RESOURCE

