

PRAY FOR FREEDOM 2017



SIMULCAST GUIDE

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Pray for Freedom: Challenging Slavery

What is Pray for Freedom?

With over 21 million people living in slavery today we need to ask the author of freedom, Christ, to end human trafficking. Human trafficking is prevalent and pervasive. It is not something one organization or denomination can eradicate. It will take a movement of the entire body of Christ to end it. Pray for Freedom is part of this movement. It is a time where the community joins together in prayer to end human trafficking. Not only do we spend time praying for those who are trapped in trafficking situations, but also for awareness, education, hope and restoration. This event helps to end human trafficking by bringing education, fighting the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms and creating collaboration and unity. In addition, it will also bring focus on what your organization is doing around this cause.

Why Pray?

Prayer is both necessary and vital. James 5:16 says that “the prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.” Charles Spurgeon said, “Prayer moves the arm that moves the world.” It is only through intercession that there is any hope in stopping the issue of human trafficking. Christ is the only one powerful enough to end this evil.

It is in this spirit that FFAST (*Faith Alliance Against Slavery and Trafficking*) invites you to take part in our **Pray for Freedom: Challenging Slavery** event by way of simulcast. This event will help end human trafficking by raising awareness, fighting the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms¹ and creating collaboration and unity. In addition, this event will showcase your organization or those in your area and give people an opportunity to hear about the good work you are doing. By choosing to participate, you are choosing to stand with thousands of others against modern-day slavery.

So, will you stand with us by hosting a simulcast location?

A simulcast location can be as simple of hosting your friends and family in your home to being a massive event, inviting your entire area. Below is what we recommend for doing a mid-size event. This can be tailored to your group and size.

It will take:

20 hours. **5** volunteers. **1** venue.

FAAST’s goal is to help equip your church or organization to have a high quality event without a large budget or lots of planning hours: low expense with high reward. We also hope to equip you to engage your community and take your anti-trafficking efforts to the next level.

HOW TO RUN A SIMULCAST

CONTACT FFAST

You must let FFAST know that you want to run the simulcast. Email FFAST at faast@faastinternational.org to tell them of your interest.

¹ Ephesians 6:12

FIND THE VENUE

First, you will need to prepare for the event by finding a venue. The venue should be large enough to fit your estimated amount of attendees and have a good space to stream a video (have wifi and a project or TV(s)), complete with sound system and lights. Once you have your venue, you are ready to promote your event.

PROMOTE THE EVENT

FAAST can provide you with posters to let people know about this event. Send us the address of your event and your logo and we will make your poster for you! Or you can make your own poster to promote the event. Find an administrative lead (see “Job descriptions”) to compile a team to spread the word! Tell friends, family, coworkers, and other members of the community. You can also put this on your community calendar by contacting your local Chamber of Commerce. Be sure to do this 1-2 months in advance of the event’s starting date, September 23rd. Also promote this on social media. Our hashtag for the event is #PrayforFreedomDC2017.

Sample Twitter post: “Join us to #PrayforFreedomDC2017 on Sept 23 as we ask God to #endhumantrafficking with @FAASTIntl. Find out more: <http://bit.ly/1HtOFvy>”

FIND FINAL TEAM MEMBERS

You will want some additional team members to make your simulcast a success. You will need one local speaker who will facilitate the simulcast as well as give a “Call to Action” at the end of the simulcast, in addition to an administrative team. For a successful event, you will also need a media team to do the sound, video, and lights on the day of the simulcast event. You can find out more on the job descriptions document.

COMPLETE THE CHECKLIST

There is an “Event Checklist”. Go over the checklist and make sure that everything is in order.

STREAM LIVE VIDEO

We understand that dealing with technology can be daunting for some. We work hard to make this as simple as possible, so even those who are not technologically savvy can do it. The simulcast will happen via live streaming video, so you will link to the video and any other instructions by September 1, 2017. On the day of the event it is imperative that you get online and stream the video at least 30 minutes before the actual simulcast starts to ensure everything goes smoothly. You could even post about the event online on Twitter or Facebook for additional viewers. You can live tweet along with the event using the hashtag #PrayforFreedomDC2017. If you have any issues streaming the event you can call FAAST at 410-707-3923.

FIND A SPEAKER

An hour and a half of the simulcast will be streamed from live video and then we will hand over the event to you (the local leader) for the last 30 minutes. We have some recommendations of what you can say during your 30 minutes of speaking time but the goal is to highlight the work you are doing in your area. Please see the “call to action” document for more information on this piece.

If you are unable to hold an event on September 23, 2017 consider holding a prayer event using the following material at a later date. Email faast@faastinternational.org for more details.

Once you have completed all these steps, you are ready for your simulcast. Enjoy!

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A Call to Action

We have intentionally planned this event to help your organization engage your community. In the last 30 minutes we will open up the platform to local leaders—you. Please prepare what you are going to present and what parts of our suggested Call to Action you would like to include.

We strongly suggest inviting local organizations to participate and set up booths around your venue. Please visit <http://bit.ly/1w6akFh> to find organizations in your area.



Suggested Call to Action:

Start with providing the basics of human trafficking to your audience. We suggest focusing locally, using local examples and highlighting local organization. A general example is found below.

Human trafficking, or modern day slavery, is the labor or sexual exploitation of a person by force, fraud, and/or coercion². It is a crime that affects every country in the world, either as a transit, destination, or country of origin³. According to the International Labor Organization, there are at least 21 million slaves in the world, more than there ever have been in the history of the world (even the holocaust). While many in the United States consider human trafficking to be largely an international problem, the United States is both a source and destination for human trafficking. Human trafficking is a crime that is happening in your own backyard—it even happens in churches. It occurs in every state, in both major cities and rural areas, in poverty-stricken regions and wealthy ones too. According to the Department of Justice, up to 17,000 people are trafficked annually in the United States⁴. Though many victims are domestic, some are from other countries, like in the case of the unaccompanied alien children (UAC) crisis on the US border-Mexico border, where some children are victims of trafficking. Unaccompanied alien children are especially vulnerable to trafficking given their refugee status⁵. With this sobering information in mind, thank you so much for your prayers today, but we need to keep praying. God might be calling you to act. Here are a couple ways you can do that.

Pray for local agencies, policies and vulnerabilities.

Next, give the following information about how churches and communities can get involved to combat human trafficking. We have a few suggestions below.

Churches:

The following suggestions are found in more detail on the FFAST website, www.faastinternational.org.

- Hold a Prayer Event—only the power of God can end a tragedy this pervasive. Invite friends, family, and coworkers to join with you in prayer. *Prayer guides are available on the FFAST website.* Find it here <http://bit.ly/1GWVISR> or our one week prayer guide <http://bit.ly/1PckARa>
- Take your bible study through the human trafficking awareness and prevention study found on FFAST's website. <http://faastinternational.org/resourcestoolkits/for-the-church>
- Ask your Children's Pastor/leader use the Change Agents curriculum to help the children in your church become anti-trafficking advocates. <http://faastinternational.org/store/change-agents>

² "Human Trafficking, Know the Facts". CAASE. Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation. PDF. 15 April 2013.

³ "Human Trafficking." *United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime*. UNODC, n.d. Web. 17 Dec 2013.

⁴ Fact Sheet." *Human Trafficking in Illinois* n.pag. *Traffick Free*. Web. 21 April 2013.

⁵ Report to Congress: Office of Refugee Resettlement. (2012, January 1). Retrieved July 11, 2014, from https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/orr/fy_2012_orr_report_to_congress_final_041014.pdf

- Address the demand side of human trafficking by buying slave-free products and stop trafficking before it starts. See *how human trafficking is driven by demand on the FAAST website*. <http://faastinternational.org/take-action/demandnomore>

Community:

The following suggestions for the community are also found in more detail on the FAAST website, www.faastinternational.org.

- Hold a Chocolate Party to help end demand for labor trafficking among your circle of influence. By promoting fair trade and slave-free chocolate, you can reduce demand for trafficking. <http://bit.ly/20MIsIb>
- Use the Adopt-a-Mall Kit found to protect your neighborhood mall by talking to security guards and retailers about how to spot human trafficking victims. <http://faastinternational.org/resourcestoolkits/for-the-community>
- Other ideas include: find out if you have a task force or coalition in your area. Find out your local resources and get involved on what is already established in your community. Check out [Polaris Project's](#) website for more info.

We suggest ending with a prayer and inviting participants to check out the booths that local organizations have set up.



SIMULCAST CHECKLIST

Please check to ensure that all of the following are prepared *BEFORE* January 28

Materials – The following materials are needed for the day of the simulcast:

- One small to medium table (about 2.5' x 6') for registration and other information
- Tables for booths (If having booths of local organizations)
- FFAST materials (brochures, Hands that Heal information, Change Agents information, etc.) (email FFAST for materials)
- Sound system (microphones, speakers, working audio)
- Computer, projector, Wi-Fi, and sound system
- Agendas with Call-to-action items to take home printed and ready to hand out
- Nametags for attendees (optional but helpful)
- Chairs for attendees: arranged to see simulcast
- Invite 5 organizations working in Anti-Trafficking to host booths at your event

Volunteers - the following people are needed on the day of the simulcast:
(More detailed information can be found on the job description document.)

- Administrative (2-4):** Two to four people to promote the event leading up to it: by word of mouth, posters, touch cards, and social media. Additionally, they should be able to register people before and during the prayer event, help usher people in, help with parking, run booths, and distribute handouts. They should also create the agendas with Call-to-action items for attendees to take home.
- Local Speaker (1):** A natural leader who is a strong public speaker, a Christian, has general knowledge about human trafficking, and is very passionate about ending it. This person will give the welcome and lead the last 30 minutes of the simulcast, presenting the "Call to Action" portion.
- Media (2-4):** Two to four people knowledgeable about Information Technologies who are available to help with PowerPoint presentations, sound, light, video, and other technology needs.

JUST IN CASE SOMETHING GOES WRONG

As we all know, no matter how much planning goes into events, things can go wrong. This is especially true when dealing with technology, and multiple locations. We are working hard to try to prevent any problems from occurring but we know we can't foresee all problems. And there's always the possibility that something will arise the day of the event. Or there may be a specific problem for your location. We pray that doesn't happen. However, if it does we are providing you with a prayer guide that will help you lead your own event if for some reason you can't join via simulcast. The prayer guide provides topics/people to pray for along with scriptural passages.



PRAYER GUIDE

PREPARE YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS

Isaiah 42:22, Leviticus 19:29, Joel 3:3, Isaiah 10:2, Exodus 20:14, James 1:15, 2 Thessalonians 3:5

Pray for knowledge, understanding, wisdom and compassion

PRAY FOR THE VICTIMS

Isaiah 61:7, Revelations 21:1-5, Jeremiah 29:11, Isaiah 58:6

Pray for freedom, justice, hope, peace and healing

PRAY FOR FREEDOM & RESTORATION

Romans 8:20-21, Galatians 5:13-14

Pray for our first responders: police, firefighters, medical professionals, and trauma counselors

Pray for our service providers: lawyers, judges, FBI, therapists, social workers, pastors

PRAY FOR THE ENDING OF DEMAND

Psalms 10, Leviticus 19:29

Pray for the end of pornography, prostitution and strip clubs. If commercial sex stopped sex trafficking would cease to exist.

Pray for the end of labor trafficking. No more slave plantations in Africa because no one is buying slave chocolate.

Pray for God to convict the hearts of traffickers and exploiters.

Pray for people to see human dignity and Christ's identity in victims.

PRAY FOR PREVENTION

2 Thessalonians 3:2-3, Isaiah 41:10, Psalm 121:7-8

Pray for the protection of your children

Pray for the single-parent homes and foster parents

Pray for school teachers, bus drivers, children's ministry workers to watch over the children they interact with

Pray for children to have wisdom to see bad situations before they happen

Pray for children who are being abused to report and seek help

PRAY FOR GOVERNMENTS

Isaiah 10:1-2, Psalm 2:10-12

Pray for God honoring laws outlawing the exploitation of people

Pray that laws would be passed stopping the sales of products made from slaves

Pray that would leaders would stand for this cause

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH

Isaiah 61:1-3, 1 Peter 2:9-10, 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5, Ephesians 4:19-20

Pray for the church to stand in the gap for the exploited by meeting practical needs: family, love, the gospel, livelihoods, comfort, forgiveness, healing and homes

Pray for missionaries, pastors and church leaders to gain a heart for this issue

Pray for the church, its members and leaders, to remain sexually pure – that they not become the perpetrators or consumers of abuse in any form

Pray that the church is a top defender of our children and protector of our communities



STORIES OF MODERN DAY SLAVERY

Though these names and photos have been changed for the victims protection, both they and their stories are real, and represent the reality for millions of enslaved people.

TINA: WHEN I WAS 14, I RAN AWAY FROM HOME to be with a “wonderful guy I met” that was in his mid-20’s. We **had a great plan about us living together, making money together, and becoming rich.** I thought this was everything I had always wanted; until he told me that if I loved him, I would help **make money for us by having sex with men.** By the time I thought I was in love him, he had given me too much to go back home. I was then introduced to the other women he was pimping, who I hadn’t known about before. That’s what happens with pimps – at first it’s just you and them, but then there were four of us.

We went to Cleveland, OH, and he immediately said I was going to go “out” with the other three women, so they could show me how to make money for “us,” “for all of us together,” as if we were like a family. Later on that evening, his friends that he knew came by the motel. At first he told me to have sex with one of them, and I didn’t want to, **so he friends raped me.** Afterwards he said, “that wouldn’t have happened if I had just listened to him at first.” Right after that is when he picked my clothes out, told me what to wear, and **forced me to go out on the streets.**

When I first went out on the streets, and I had to meet my first Joh, I felt like this was something I didn’t want to do. I walked around the streets back and forth for hours, hiding, until the morning. Our quota was \$500 but **I had only made \$50 that night which I was forced to give back to the pump.** So **he beat me** in front of the other girls and made me go outside until I had made the money. This is the same man that took me out to eat, listened to me when I wanted to complain about my parents, and gave me words of advice, but increasingly, I was seeing a side of him that I had never seen before – a brutal side, where **he repeatedly hit me** in front of the other girls to show us all a lesson. Not only was I shocked, I was scared. What would happen to me if I did try to leave, and would believe me if I told them that this was going on? So I worked from 6am until 10pm that next night, **without food or sleep.** I came back with the \$500, but in his mind, I still hadn’t learned my lesson. So I had to go back outside until 5am the next morning. After second day he finally brought me something to eat, but as punishment to never do it again **he locked me in the closet to sleep.**

THE CASE AGAINST KIL-SOO LEE: Kil-Soo Lee, a Korean businessman, recruited primarily women from China and Vietnam **to work in his garment factory** on the island of American Samoa for 1998 until the factory closed in late 2000. Kil-Soo Lee **used employment contract fees and penalties to trap workers into remaining with the company.** He kept workers locked in the factory compound, **withheld food as punishment** and authorized violent physical retaliation for resistance on the part of the workers. In February 2003 Kil-Soo Lee was convicted of criminal charges of involuntary servitude, extortion, and money laundering.

CORA LOST HER PARENTS at a young age and went to live with her aunt in a rural village in Sierra Leone. By **11 years old, Cora was married off to an older village man for a few Leones.** The man would come to Cora’s house to have sex wither at scheduled times each week. **By the age of 12, Cora was pregnant.** When it came time for Cora to deliver the baby, her aunt would not take Cora to the hospital, and left her lying in pain for three days waiting to give birth. Finally, the baby was stillborn, and Cora was left paralyzed from the waist down with a huge hole in her birth canal created during the delivery. For six months, Cora was left in isolation while her aunt waited for her to die. When she finally made it to a local clinic, physicians declared Cora to have one of the worst cases of fistula they had ever seen. Surgery was immediately done to correct Cora’s condition, but she still

could not walk or use her arms. **Cora was returned to her family, where she remained in a fetal position, paralyzed and hopeless, until the World Hope International staff at the WHI Sierra Leone Anti-Trafficking shelter stepped in to help.**

Cora entered the shelter program with little expectation to walk or use her arms again. WHI staff, however, worked tirelessly stretching and exercising Cora's limbs. One month after Cora entered the shelter, she took her first step. **The joy in the shelter that day was palpable – one who could not walk was healed – all because WHI staff had stepped in to rescue and restore a young girl who had been forced into labor, raped and abandoned by the world around her.**

Angela: Angela is a 20-year-old woman from a small village in Latin America. One of ten brothers and sisters, at a young age ANGELA LEFT SCHOOL and abandoned her dream of becoming a writer so that she could contribute to her family's income. Through a friend, she learned of an opportunity to pursue her studies while working in the home of a family who was working in America. **The family promised her that they would support her education.** After months of convincing her parents that this would help their economic situation, **she moved with the family to America.**

The promises that were made to Angela were illusory. For three years, she slept on a mattress in the family's kitchen. **She was not allowed out of the house. She worked twelve hours straight, seven days a week. She cooked, cleaned, cared for two infants and an elderly parent,** and was responsible for all the household maintenance, including preparing large meals for many guests. **Threats of deportation, verbal abuse, and intimidation were constant. She was paid roughly 30 cents an hour.**

Annually, LIVE2FREE (a student lead organization at Vanguard University) reach out to their community to **raise awareness and help identify victims.** As students they participate in best practice models of community outreach. One of the most innovative projects targeted walk-in clinics in Orange County. They mapped 85 clinics, spent three days training their team, put together folders with **Rescue and Restore US Health and Human Services anti-trafficking campaign brochures and posters.** Each team was prepared to do a quick elevator speech and emphasize the **National Human Trafficking Resources Center hotline #888.3737.888** or a longer 15 minutes presentation that included the red flags for possible victims. The project included using Rescue and Restore posters in 4 languages: Vietnamese, Chinese, Spanish, and English. The teams called local police departments to let them know that they would be distributing information in their areas the following week. Some of the departments asked for a sample folder and were very encouraging. Many of the front desk staff immediately put the contact card in their Rolodex. The hard part is doing this kind of work without knowing if you actually accomplished anything, especially the first time. So it was great when at the next Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force (OCHTTF) meeting reported that the same day of the first outreach, **within seven hours 2 victims were identified and rescued.** The students did their part and then the healthcare professionals did theirs and then law enforcement and victim services did theirs. Live2free has a great reputation of being great collaborators and easy to work with!



WHAT CAN YOU DO

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

1. BECOME EDUCATED:

Understanding human trafficking is the first step in addressing the issue

2. KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS:

Connecting with neighbors allows you to be on the alert

Trafficking can happen in your neighborhood. Victims can be your neighbor. Traffickers can be someone you know.

3. BE AWARE OF THE LAW:

Employing or assisting human trafficking operations is against the law. Know your rights. Let others know their rights.

Foreign victims may be fearful to speak out because of their immigration status. Let them know that they can get assistance through the Trafficking Victim Protection Act (TVPA).

Domestic victims of sex trafficking may be fearful because prostitution arrests. Let them know that the help organizations or task forces that can assist.

4. KNOW HOW TO ACT:

Taking action if you suspect suspicious activity saves lives

Call the National Hotline 1-888-3737-888. Find more information at faastinternational.org

5. PASS IT ON:

Sharing what you learn will help spread awareness

Educate someone else, put together awareness events

6. SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY:

Volunteering is a great way to make a difference and support survivors

Volunteer with FFAST and partner organizations. Go to faastinternational.org for more information

7. BE A VOICE:

Lending your voice and sharing your ideas helps advocate for change

Write to your congressperson

8. TAKE A STAND:

Curbing the demand of products and services that promote human trafficking

Buy fair trade, slave free and union made products (download the free2work app)

Write to your favorite businesses about using fair trade or slave free products, taking notice of human trafficking, and monitoring the supply chain

9. LISTEN AND LEARN:

Most victims of human trafficking didn't believe it could happen to them

Survivor empowerment starts with listening, not judging

10. GET YOUR CHURCH INVOLVED:

We believe that God has uniquely designed the church to be his avenue for hope and restoration for the world.

There are bible studies, sermons, movies, children's ministry curriculum and much, much more. Take your church with you on your mission to end human trafficking

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT FAASTINTERNATIONAL.ORG