
Call to Intercessory Prayer

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This prayer effort calls for a global uplift – “A God movement”-- with intent to bring change to the earth. It involves only a few moments a day, creating a week of united prayer, as more and more people join in.

An opening prayer is offered first, then a prayer for each day of the week. These prayers cover all the earth's people groups. Using mental imagery, while praying, will allow us to see in our minds different people in specific situations. While doing this, we will be connected, holding ourselves and others in sacred space before God.

The truth is that each and every time we bless another we make a difference. We are at work to heal the world. May God bless you as you consider joining the intercessory prayer effort extended below. Please also consider sharing this prayer with others, so they, too, can become intercessors for our world.

No matter what day of the week you decide to join this united effort of prayer, you may begin on any day of your choice.

Opening prayer:

Dear Gracious and Wondrous God, Precious Creator of our earth,

Our prayer is that you will move upon our globe as never before in history. Bring a mighty Spirit-prompted wind carrying with it a new and certain empowerment for every individual to know what is your righteous will -- and a desire to do it.

*Create in us more longing than we have ever had for knowing and hearing the Voice of Love, and to be led by your nudging. Open our souls to “hearing,” so each of us will play a role in prompting a growing, and mighty, global movement, opening the way for all to know we -- and they -- are your Beloved Children, called to bring forth good in the earth. Enable us to catch the vision! Empower us to enter the **adventure of your divine plan** that will see us taking on your nature, little by little, until we become more like you, our Creator.*

We implore you, dear God, to create a new wave urgency within us all for what is true, peaceful, and good. Open the eyes and the inner ears of all people in such ways that we cannot help but grow in our inclination to attend to your voice. Amen.

Monday's Prayer

Today we pray for ourselves and for the following people: Doctors, nurses, and all who assist them ... for home care employees, lab workers, imaging personnel, dentists ... therapists of every sort, psychologists, and healers of the mind, will, and emotions. Empower each to be led of you and to be truly effective in their work. We pray especially for the needs of the sick and the

people who are dying this day. We, also, pray for those who are developmentally challenged ... and for all who are mentally and emotionally ill. We pray for the souls of all prisoners, whether guilty, or innocently held. Help each one to realize the truth of your great love, forgiveness, and healing helps. Amen.

Tuesday's Prayer

Today we pray for ourselves and for the following people: Teachers and home schooling parents, principals, aides and volunteers in the school systems of the world from kindergarten through university level ... for all who are in cleaning industries ... for food servers and all who cook, or prepare food for others ... for all students everywhere, and for those who study on the Internet, or use the Internet for whatever reason ... for childcare workers and their aides ... for all who are involved in the lives of children and young people throughout the earth. Please bless and encourage, fortify, uplift, protect and shield our children and all who serve them. Also for husbands and wives as they go about their daily lives working, loving, and building family bonds. Please bless and strengthen relationships of every kind. Amen.

Wednesday's Prayer

Today we pray for ourselves and for the following people: Our president, his cabinet and all who advise him ... for every government worker, regardless of the role each plays ... for all world leaders, in overseeing governments, and leaders serving in other capacities ... for all associated with the affairs of every country ... for every person within the military, along with their family members and friends ... for all who work in reconnaissance and intelligence. Guide each of us to do good, caring, appropriate service. Do a quick work by your Spirit, initiating a great and wondrous change in us, your people of the earth. Let the war machines be silent ... create new job descriptions allowing for truth and higher visions, replacing all need for war. Amen.

Thursday's Prayer

Today we pray for ourselves and for the following people: All who work in technology, including those who build and maintain machinery ... for those who build, or sell equipment and goods of any kind ... all who work on and within the oceans, and for miners who work beneath the earth ... for those who fly above the earth ... for artists of every expression, musicians, dancers, writers, theatrical performers, and all who are in the movie industry, TV industry, and news media. We pray for all who advertise or print propaganda ... for all who motivate – including ministers, lecturers and speakers, of every ilk, who influence through good motives. Speak to us all as we go about our work. Change our hearts and our minds. Heal us of greed and selfishness. Help us to perceive your will and desire to choose to do it, above our own. Amen.

Friday's Prayer

Today we pray for ourselves and for the following people: All growers of food and plant life, dairy owners and workers, all who work in the fields, and those who serve in kitchens and dining rooms feeding these workers ... all who serve the growers – bankers, delivery persons, accountants, couriers, mail carriers of all sorts throughout the earth ... UPS and FedEx workers, truck drivers, all who transport goods, going “to and fro” on all our roads. Work your wonders

in each and every heart and create a new respect for the earth, and all the wonderful creatures within it, that we might more fully love this place wherein you have given us to live and to love. Help us to treat the earth with respect. Guide us to be more conscious of the earth's needs and show us how best to care for this beloved planet. Amen.

Saturday's Prayer

Today we pray for ourselves and for the following people: All manufacturers of goods ... all who handle, or sell the goods ... for inventors, scientists, researchers, and technicians. Expand and bless the results of their efforts. Touch the lives of all who do not work, and those who cannot work ... all babies and children not yet ready to work and to serve ... all the babies yet to come into the world, embryos and fetuses alike, shield them while in the womb. We pray for the disenfranchised, the disenfranchised, and those who are marginalized. We pray for those who are hungry, cold, or in need of pure water. Show us the ways in which we can share of our resources, while showing we care about the needs of others. Amen.

And now we pray for our enemies: those who hate and demean ... those who disrespect and cause harm to others ... those who are angry and vengeful ... purveyors of violence ... all those who are mad with power (or with evil intent), endeavoring to destroy with weapons. **Engulf their souls with a cleansing wind**, one that sweeps over each of them, changing lives for the good of all. Inspire all of us living on this globe to advance in hope, faith, patience, forgiveness, and love. Amen.

Conclusion

We pray that a desire to grow, and to be more loving will flourish within ourselves – and in all these people and places that we have prayed for this week. For love is the greatest healing entity in the world! You are our source of love, dear God. We come to you asking for a great outpouring of your Spirit that will touch and affect all people on the globe, including any and all who may not be mentioned above. Cause a true tsunami of blessings to pull us from the divisive energies of separation into full-hearted unity and compassion for all fellow beings. Hear our prayer, dear God. Amen.

(If you feel to use this prayer effort for a longer term of time than one week, please do so for as many weeks as you feel led. I will be with you in this effort.)

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