**One Church One Day**

**Community Prayer Guide for October 2021
*Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet***

***lives marked by godliness and dignity. I Timothy 2:2 NLT***

Have you ever wondered why the 1Church-1Day prayer guide consistently covers the areas of church, family, government, education, health care, business, first responders, media and technology? It’s because each of these areas influence every one of us in our daily lives. The beliefs, decisions and actions of those who are in positions of rulership, leadership and authority have direct impact on us and the world we live in. I Timothy 2:2 exhorts us to pray for such people so that we ourselves can lead quiet and peaceful lives. This month’s prayer guide prompts us to pray for those in leadership over the eight “mountains of influence”. Whether they are global, national or local leaders, they need our prayers. Who knows, we just might see the change in our world we have been hoping for because of our obedience and faithfulness in prayer.

**CHURCH- *“Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.” Jude 3***

Pray for the heads of every denomination and for Christian leaders at the global, national and local levels as well as for your church or congregation’s spiritual leader. Pray that they submit to Christ as the head of the Church and they make decisions that put the Kingdom of God and righteousness first. Ask God to strengthen, encourage, fortify and provide for them. Pray that false doctrines be exposed and rejected. Pray for godly repentance to sweep through our land.

**EDUCATION*- “However, when the Spirit of truth has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on his own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.” John 16:13***

Pray for our nation’s Secretary of Education. Pray that the fear of the Lord and love for his word will govern all decision making regarding the educational policies that are adopted. Pray for those that set curriculum and plan instruction. Pray for the college and university professors that help to shape the minds of each generation of educators. Pray for school boards, superintendents, principals and others that influence the educational sector.

**BUSINESS- *“Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth. And in all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the Lord your God:” Deuteronomy 28:1-2***

Pray for owners and leaders of fortune 500 companies. Pray for the 1 percent of the population who collectively own nearly half of the worlds net wealth. Money wields great influence and according to Ecclesiastes 10:19, answers all things. We must pray then that God will indeed cause the righteous to prosper. Pray that industry leaders and wealthy individuals will understand the parallel of God’s blessings and God’s call for obedience to Him.

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**FAMILY- *“And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.”***

Pray for all heads of households. Pray that parents will be on one accord with the word of God as the final authority. Pray for marriage and family counselors. Ask that God give them wisdom and insight to help those who seek their help. Pray that those who are setting policies regarding marriage, family and all laws that impact families, will surrender their own personal wills and agendas.

**HEALTHCARE *– “And Jesus answered and said to them, “It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick”***

Pray for the U.S. Secretary of Health. Pray for all who set health policy. Pray for the leaders of the insurance industry, leaders in the pharmaceutical world, and for heads of hospital and healthcare systems. Acknowledge Christ as the ultimate source of healing for the spirit, soul and body.

**GOVERNMENT-** ***“Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.” Romans 13:1***

Pray for the President of the United States and for his advisors. Pray for other world leaders as well. Don’t limit your prayers to just those you believe to be good or righteous. The Bible says that the heart of the King is in the hand of the Lord and he has power to turn it. Pray that these leaders will yield their will and plans to God.

**FIRST RESPONDERS – *“For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places.”***

***Matthew 24:7 NKJV***

***“I have told you these things, that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, But take heart! I have overcome the world.” John 16:3***

It seems that every day we are hearing of a different disaster in a different place. Calamities seem to be commonplace. For this reason, it is more important than ever to pray for those who work the frontlines in times of great challenge and suffering. It is equally if not more so, critical that we pray for those who have the authority for making decisions during times of disaster.

Pray for each of the leaders of our armed forces, Army, Navy, Air-Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard, and Space Force. Pray for the leader of the department of Homeland Security. Pray for local Emergency Services planners and leaders. Pray for all first responders and relief workers.

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**MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY- *“And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to the nations, and then the end will come.”***

When you think of all of the spheres of influence, it is perhaps media and technology that is having the most profound impact on our world and daily lives. Yet it’s probably an area that few of us think to pray about. Let’s take time to pray now. Pray for those who own and influence emerging technologies and media outlets. Pray for the proper and godly use of these tools. Pray that the godly and faith filled will utilize these tools for the spreading of the gospel. Pray that measures will be put in place to keep children and young people safe while using technology.