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Prayer Requests for Day of Prayer and Fasting

May 2, 2017

**FOCUS:** Our Nation

*“O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For Your sake, O my God, do not delay...” Daniel 9:19*

The National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4. Let us lift up our nation, state, county and city for His great Name’s sake.

- ⇒ Thank God for the liberties and blessings He has given us.
- ⇒ Pray for those in authority to seek God’s wisdom and do what is right. Pray that they would be humble and God-fearing, recognizing that they are accountable to Him for each decision and act (Proverbs 9:10).
- ⇒ Pray for legislators to make wise, well-planned and just laws. Pray that they would think clearly about what the consequences of programs and laws will be. Pray they would recognize their own inadequacy and seek God’s will (Proverbs 3:5-8; Luke 11:9-13).
- ⇒ Pray that judges make wise, honest and God-honoring decisions. Pray they value and regard the Ten Commandments and the teachings of Christ (Psalm 19:7-11; John 8:31-32).
- ⇒ Pray for our leaders to heed their consciences, confess their sins and repent (Proverbs 28:13; James 4:8). Pray for them to get godly counsel and have God-fearing advisors (Proverbs 24:6).
- ⇒ Pray for revival, that many would be saved as God’s people act as salt and light. Pray for God’s will to be accomplished and His glory to shine.
- ⇒ Pray that we would be able to live peaceable lives so that the gospel can go forth. Pray for God’s people to be mobilized to pray and to live meaningful, intentional lives.
- ⇒ Ask that God’s people would be actively involved in understanding the times and knowing what they should do (1 Chronicles 12:32) and doing it (James 1:22).
- ⇒ Ask that Jesus Christ be exalted both here and there as we seek His kingdom and His righteousness.

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### Pray for May Opportunities:

- ⇒ that the upcoming sermon series on Jonah will speak to our hearts and teach us about God’s amazing grace. Ask for the preparation, reception and application of each sermon.
- ⇒ that our adults would get connected in Small Churches, Bible Studies, Life Groups, short term classes and mid-week events. Ask for growth and increased love for God. Pray the Creative Journaling event (May 16<sup>th</sup>) will enable women to know God better. May the Friday Friends event on May 12<sup>th</sup> connect women and build friendships.
- ⇒ for many to want to engage in our local church. Lift up Children’s, First Impressions, and Worship Arts ministries to have the needed volunteers. Ask for members to contribute financially as God leads and to use their spiritual gifts as the Holy Spirit directs.
- ⇒ Lift up BLAST Children’s Sunday (May 7<sup>th</sup>) as children lead in worship and parents make a public pledge to raise their children to know, love and follow Jesus Christ. Pray the Battle of the Book (May 21) will encourage young people to study and apply truth.
- ⇒ Pray for young people training for mission trips this summer to learn and grow as they serve. Pray for the Gulu trip report back lunch (May 7<sup>th</sup>) to be well attended and inspiring.
- ⇒ for the Baptism Classes (May 21<sup>st</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup>) and Discover Midland Free class (May 7<sup>th</sup>) to draw in those who need to take the next steps. May they feel welcomed and loved as they learn what God may want for them.
- ⇒ for courage to make the most of opportunities to talk about Jesus with those who do not know Him. Pray for the GoLocal, H2O and Royal Family Kids Camps to make an impact in our area. Ask that relationships will be formed that allow truth sharing.