

Calling the nations to seek God

- for revival in the church
- for the reformation of the church
- for the restoration of the nation

This call was issued by more than 30 different ministries and prayer networks in South Africa after a time of seeking God's face in August 2008.

To mobilise communities, churches and individuals to stand before God

Mobilise the Church to pray for the nation

People from all different spheres of life to partake in this call for prayer:

- **Market Place:** Multiply prayer groups in the market place - every Christian in the market place to start a prayer group or join a prayer group in their sphere of influence.
- **3 Unsaved people:** Every Christian to pray for at least 3 unsaved individuals they know.
- **Local churches:** Every local church to pray at least **one day a week** for 24 hours. Start with a few hours and increase it to 24 hours. When you have established the one day, consider starting a second day per week. A second possibility for local churches is to consider taking two or three **blocks of 7 days** of non-stop prayer during the year.
- **24/7 City wide watches:** Groups of 5-7 congregations can form a fully operating 24/7 prayer watch where each church will take one day a week to pray. Imagine the impact if all churches in a city/town will take one day per week to pray 24 hours. Sometimes it might be difficult to find a church to pray on a Sunday. In such cases, do it for 6 days a week.
- **Schools/Universities:** Encourage schools/universities to take 2 days per quarter to pray for 12 or 24 hours in an easily accessible area/room. Fridays and Saturdays are normally very suitable for such prayer events.
- **Prisons:** Start as many prayer groups as possible inside prisons. Work towards establishing night-and-day prayer in the prisons. Begin to fill at least one day a week with prayer.

National Day of Prayer for the Elections: 20 March 2009

We suggest a **National Day of Prayer** on 20 March 2009 as a day of prayer for the elections.

Fasting: Individuals, groups and local churches may consider fasting for 3 days: 18-20 March 2009.

From January 2009 prayer guidelines on how to pray about these issues will be available on www.jwipn.com or you can e-mail us at elections@jwipn.com or phone 012-3653213.

Global Day of Prayer 2009/2010
31 May 2009 and 21-30 May 2009
10 days of night and day prayer.
23 May 2010 and 13-22 May 2010
10 days of night and day prayer.

Mobilise entire cities and towns for a **day of prayer and repentance**, with 10 days of night and day prayer preceding it. This will happen simultaneously in many nations worldwide.

For more information call tel: 021-8563130

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Ask yourself: Where do I stand with God?

- Is there any unconfessed sin in my life?
- Do I harbour unforgiveness and bitterness in my life?
- Are there any doubtful practices/activities in my life?
- Am I obeying the Holy Spirit in all things?
- Am I confessing Jesus unashamedly?

Ask yourself: Am I living a life of integrity?

Let every Christian live in a way worthy of Christ:

- Do not pay or except bribes.
- Pay your taxes.
- Do not be involved in any form of injustice towards other people.
- Pay fair wages and do an honest day's work.
- Keep to speed limits and obey traffic rules.
- Live in purity with your husband/wife. Break with any form of sexual immorality.
- Be Godly fathers and mothers to your children. Let children obey their parents.

Compassionate outreach

As the church of Jesus Christ we make Him visible as we increase our compassionate outreach in our communities.

Find ways to bless the people in your community. These are a few **examples** of what to do:

- There are always a need for **food, clothes** and **cleaning neighbourhoods**.
- Local churches can take responsibility for **20-30 Aids orphans**.
- Every church can **double/increase** the number of projects they have to help poor and needy people.
- Find the **schools** in your community struggling with matric results and find ways to help (volunteer teachers giving extra classes, providing for equipment and counseling, etc.)
- Families can **"adopt" individuals** by helping them to acquire some skills training and/or further education.
- Visit the **mayor of your town and the police station** and ask them for the most pressing needs in the community and consider how to address it in practical ways.
- Volunteer to **repair** buildings or equipment where possible (hospitals, police stations, schools, etc.)
- Provide **day care centers** for children of working mothers, **rehabilitation centers** for people that need counseling and that struggle with different forms of addiction, **centers for homeless people**.

Remember when we pray

Our prayers should express our faith in God's promises in His Word.

Our prayers should express our hope that God can do the seemingly impossible - to revive and reform His Church and to heal the nation.

Our prayers for the church and the nation should be with trust in the saving power of the cross and the blood of Jesus.

Our prayers should be without judgment, accusation and condemnation.

Our prayers should come from a position of utmost humility and love.

Our prayers for the church and the nation should be based on the love, grace and mercy of God the Father; the fact that He wants to reconcile us with Himself and for sinners to repent and not to die.

Our prayers should express our grief that we have not pleased God.

Our prayers for the nation should be based on the fact that the Holy Spirit is the One that will convict of sin.

Our prayers should not firstly focus on our own safety, prosperity or personal needs, but the glory and honour of God and His salvation for a lost world.

Our prayers should be birthed from an intense longing that God will be honoured and recognised once again in the church and in the nation

Gather all the people, the elders, the children, and even the babies...Let them pray, Spare your people, Lord!...Then the Lord will pity his people...the Lord will reply: Look! I am sending you grain and new wine and olive oil, enough to satisfy your needs. (Joel.2:15-21)

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