

Global Day of Prayer - Pentecost Sunday - 4 June, 2006

Prayer Focus 1

Pray for People of the Nations

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20

1. Pray for true peace to come to all the nations. (Isaiah 62:1-2, 6-7)
2. Pray that God will the hurts of countries, races, religions, politics, cultures and tribes. (Jeremiah 33:6)
3. Ask the Lord to help the believers who suffer and are subject to adversity for the name of Jesus. May God strengthen and guard their hearts to continuously rejoice and be faithful. Ask God to further fill them with the great power of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 5:41)
4. Ask the Lord to open the door of mission ministry and raise up people to go to the mission field, spreading the Gospel across the 10/40 Window and within all Islamic countries. (Matthew 24:14; Colossians 4:3-4)
5. Pray for the translation of the Bible into the language of the 3,000 people groups who still don't have the Bible in their own language.

Prayer Focus 2

Pray for Governments everywhere

The nations will see your righteousness, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow. Isaiah 62:2

Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old. Psalm 25:6

1. Let us pray as one inviting God's Spirit to reign in Macau because there is no other way but through the Holy Spirit's work that all confusions can be cleansed and everything can be made new. (Psalm 33:12)
2. Confess to God the various sins for this city, including social violence, corruption, drug abuse, hatred, immorality, and injustice. Ask the Lord to bring righteousness and salvation to Macau.

3. Ask the Lord to bless the Chief Executive of the Macau Special Administrative Region. Pray as well for the government's officers, lawyers, medical groups, cultural circles, sports, media, education and all other departments. May they lead Macau with wisdom, strength, righteousness and mercy. Pray that they will hear the Good News and be saved. May they experience God's love and have a true life and bright character. (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
4. Pray for labor and business leaders in Macau. May they relate with sincerity, harmony, fairness and righteousness. (Micah 6:8)
5. Pray for all Educational department leaders, teachers and principals.

Prayer Focus 3

Pray for Families and Children

And will not God bring out justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? Luke 18:7

1. Confess to the Lord that we have offended Him through the sins of idol worship in our families and by our ancestors. (Micah 5:12-13)
2. Ask the Lord to forgive, heal and restore the relationships which have been hurt and destroyed in many families. (Psalm 91:5)
3. Ask God to bring righteousness and justice into families and marriages that suffer violence. May every family and marriage be strengthened in the Lord.
4. Ask the Lord to have mercy on and help the millions of children with no educational opportunities.
5. Pray for the children who injured through the neglect of their parents or families. Pray for the families who have lost children through neglect and violence.
6. Pray for the children who suffer sexual abuse.
7. Ask the Lord to have mercy on and to help the orphans who lost their parents due to AIDS and wars around the world. (It is estimated that 25 million children will lose their parents to AIDS by the year 2010.)

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Prayer Focus 4

Pray for Young People

If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives. 1 John 1:6,9-10

1. Ask the Lord to forgive the sins of young people; cleansing their hearts, motives, lips and actions through the blood of Jesus. (Psalm 32:1-5; Ephesians 4:29-31)
2. Ask the Lord to heal the young people who don't respect themselves or their parents. May they know forgiveness from crime, greed and hopelessness. (Ecclesiastes 11:9; Proverbs 2:1-5)
3. Pray for those teenagers who are confused, perplexed and injured by bad moods and evil spirits. (Isaiah 9:1-2; 2 Samuel 22:29)
4. May the current generation of young people be revived and awakened to godly living and the challenge of the Great Commission. (Matthew 4:6; Isaiah 59:8)
5. Ask the Lord to fill young people with a heart of justice, peace and mercy for the poor of the world. (Titus 2:12)
6. Ask the Lord to fill young people with His great love, turning them into Christians who sincerely love God and love people. (1 John 2:15)

Prayer Focus 5

Pray for Churches and Christians

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12

1. Ask God to forgive and heal the wounds and hurts from different problems that plague churches. (2 Chronicles 7:14)
2. Ask the Lord to show mercy and forgive our selfishness as well as our insufficient love of others. (Matthew 28:19-19)
3. May the churches obey the most important commandment to deeply love each other. (Matthew 22:37-40)

4. May all churches be filled with God's Spirit of wisdom and revelation so that they might be more sensitive to God's will. May God make each believer full of wisdom and courage to spread the Good News. (Matthew 28:18-20; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Prayer Focus 6

Pray for Theological Education

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done . . . but would keep his commands. Psalm 78:4-7

1. Pray for pastors and pastoral staffs. May their bodies, hearts and spirits be filled with power. (Philippians 4:6; Psalm 16:11)
2. Pray for the educational work, study and communication of teachers and students at local Bible institutions. (Proverbs 2:6; Psalm 78:4-7)
3. Ask the Lord to motivate Macau Christians to be theologically equipped and ready to serve in any situation. (Matthew 9:38)
4. Ask the Lord to provide all the necessary resources for the Theological Education needs of Macau Christians. (Proverbs 8:21)