

A Call to Prayer

Then Jesus made a circuit of all the towns and villages. He taught in their meeting places, reported kingdom news, and healed their diseased bodies, healed their bruised and hurt lives. When He looked out over the crowds, His heart broke. So confused and aimless they were, like sheep with no shepherd. "What a huge harvest!" He said to His disciples. "How few workers! On your knees and pray for harvest hands!" (Matthew 9:35-38)

Our anchor verse for our year of prayer indicates that Jesus walked through towns and villages, teaching, announcing the Good News about the Kingdom, and healing people with disease and sickness. For our Call to Prayer activity for this month, we are inviting you to walk around your neighborhood or an area of your community/city, paying attention to sights and sounds, and praying for people, places and situations you come across.



As Jou Begin Begin Begin this time in prayer, asking God to lead and direct your steps.

Pray for your Neighborhood

Speak life and peace over each house you walk by. Ask God to give you opportunities to speak to your neighbors and be a light for Jesus.

Pray for those who don't yet know Jesus. Ask God to give you and other Christians courage to share the Good News with them.

Pray for believers to grow in their relationship with Jesus and be more like Him as a testimony to the world.

Pray for big-picture issues that a school, church or community might be facing, where God's love needs to break through.

Bless the people and places doing important work (schools, food banks, etc.).

Ask God to draw your attention to things He wants you to pray for.



Ask God to Reveal

Ask God what He's already doing in your community. Do some listening prayer, asking ...



- What do You see here?
- What are You desiring for this place?
- What are the barriers to Your work here?
- How may I join in and help?

Praying Geripture

Choose a Scripture text, and either memorize it or write it down to take with you or use a Bible app. Pray this Scripture over the people and places that you walk past.

Music Ghuffle

Access the playlist provided with this resource (via QR code) and hit the shuffle button. Listen to the words and reflect upon the themes and topics being sung about. Use these themes and topics to pray over the people and places you see as you walk.



Pray Blessing

Focus on God's love for people. Pray blessing in areas that are considered 'dark' or 'difficult'. Pray for safety and peace. Pray for God's Kingdom to come and His will to be done where there is deprivation or difficulty. Cry out for God's Spirit to move, for the Church to be equipped for mission and for people to hear and respond to the Good News of Jesus.



Pray for Harvest Hands

Pray that believers would have a deep burden for the "harassed and helpless" (Matthew 9:36) and an increasing desire to share the gospel with them.