

THE  
GLOBAL  
DAY OF PRAYER



# Global Day Of Prayer

## 10 DAY PRAYER GUIDE



2011

# HOW TO USE THIS PRAYER GUIDE



## PRAYING BY YOURSELF

**You can take as long as you like each day to pray! Even 10 minutes every day will be a great help to God.**

**Why not make yourself a special journal or scrapbook for the Global Day of Prayer?**

## PRAYING WITH OTHERS

**If you can pray with your family, your church, or your friends during the 10 days, I am sure you will find that really helpful. You could plan your own special meeting, or pray every day with your family, or suggest your children's church prays together.**

**Why not set up a special prayer room - at church or in a part of your house - for the Global Day of Prayer?**

**Each day is divided into 4 sections as follows:**

### **1. Praying for children of the world**

**A different subject each day, based on the Lord's Prayer, with ideas of how to pray**

### **2. Thanking God**

### **3. Journalling/Personal Prayer**

**There is a section to help you spend time in personal prayer every day. Practise praying the Lord's Prayer every day. Spend time in God's presence, journaling as suggested, but also listening to His voice, hearing His heart, and what He may want to say to you. God speaks in many ways. He could speak to you through pictures, scriptures, songs, sounds, feelings. Practise listening!**

### **4. Prayer Activity**

**A daily suggestion - or create your own. Enjoy being creative!**

02 JUNE 2011

# DAY 1

## REVIVE

Our Father who is in heaven...

Pray ...

for children without fathers and mothers, that they would know their Heavenly Father, and experience His love in the orphanages, homes or families where they are being taken care of.

Thank God ...

for your family, or for those who care for your daily needs.

## Personal Prayer/Journaling

Write a letter to God, telling Him how much you love Him.

What does He want to say to you today?

## Prayer Activity

Write down the names of people in your family, or the people who you live with, on cards or separate pieces of paper. Ask God to give you a special message from Him for each person, or a verse of Scripture. Give it to them as a surprise blessing.



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DAY 2

REVEAL

... holy is Your name

Pray ...  
for children with disabilities who may lack help and equipment to be able to lead normal lives. Pray that they would be cared for lovingly and patiently by those looking after them. Pray protection against any prejudice and rejection. Pray for healing of their bodies, minds and spirits

Thank God ...  
for your body and your mind and the things you are able to use them for

Personal Prayer/Journaling

Read Romans 12:1-2. Think about your mind and your body and the things that you use them for. Write down the things you are good at and the things you are not so good at. Ask God to help you use your strengths for His glory and to help you where you are weaker.

Prayer Activity

Think of things that people use their minds and bodies for which do not please God. Write them down and then pray for people who do these things; that they would realise they are sinning and change their ways to please God. If you know people personally who do wrong things, pray for them by name.



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DAY 3

## RULE

..May Your kingdom come...

Pray ...  
for children who are sick; pray for healing, for more doctors, nurses, medicine. Pray for children who are dying that God would ease their pain and comfort them, and those who love them.

Thank God ...  
for your health and for food, clean water and the availability of medical care

## Personal Prayer/Journaling

Read Philippians 4:12-13. Do you appreciate everything that you eat and drink? Ask God if you are taking good care of yourself in what you eat and drink. Ask Him to show you if there is anything you should or shouldn't be eating or drinking. Write down your thoughts and ask God if He wants you to make any changes or sacrifices.

## Prayer Activity

Write down the "Fruit of the Spirit" from Galatians 5:22-23. Draw next to each of the fruit a food item which reminds you of each one, e.g. perhaps you LOVE chocolate, so next to LOVE draw a chocolate bar; perhaps "GENTLENESS" will remind you of something which feels soft when you eat it, like a banana? Have fun thinking. Then when you have finished your pictures, write out the Scripture and memorise it, if you don't know it already.



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DAY 4

## TRANSFORM

...and may your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...

Pray ... for babies, especially unwanted babies, that God would protect them and that they would be placed in loving homes. Pray for mothers who are unable to keep or care for their babies, that God would strengthen, heal and comfort them.

Thank God ... for your own life and those who have helped to raise you since you were a baby

## Personal Prayer/Journalling

Write down something you remember from when you were younger, e.g. a fun experience or a happy memory. Write God a thank-you note for that time. Then think of a not-so-happy memory. Read Romans 8:28. Thank God that He can bring good from all situations. If you are still hurting in some way, ask God to heal you, or forgive anyone you need to. (Make sure you ask for help if you need it)

## Prayer Activity

Find some photos, or pictures of babies, from books, papers, magazines and make a poster or paste them into a book or on a sheet of paper of any size. Write this song on the paper "Jesus loves you, this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong. They are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you, Yes, Jesus loves you. Yes, Jesus loves you. The Bible tells me so". Hold your pictures up to Jesus as a prayer - sing or declare the words of the song - for all the unwanted babies in the world.



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DAY 5

## PROVIDE

...Give us this day our daily bread...

Pray ...  
for children who are poor, that God would provide their needs - especially food, clothing, toys, education. Pray for ministries/agencies who help the poor, that giving would increase across the whole world.

Thank God ...  
for all that you have. Try to list everything that God has given you!

**Personal Prayer/Journaling**  
Write down your list of "things". Think about other things that you may need, or you think you might need in the future. Read Matthew 6:25-33. You might want to write some of it in your journal. What is God saying about your "needs"?

## Prayer Activity

Perhaps you know some children who are poor, or have less than you do. Write down, or draw, things that poor children might not have, e.g. shoes, clothes, toys. Is there something you can do to help poor children? Maybe you could give away some of your own things, or collect some things from others you know and give them to the poor? Ask God to show you what you could do to help, even if it is to help just one other child.





DAY 6

07 JUNE 2011

## **FORGIVE**

...Forgive us our sins...

**Pray ...**  
for children affected by war and terrorism. Pray for their protection, from harm, and from being forced to fight, or even wanting to fight. Pray that Governments would make efforts to rescue and protect children in danger. Pray for healing for children who have been injured or damaged by this kind of violence.

**Thank God ...**  
for protecting you and those around you. Thank God for your nation and claim His peace over it.

## **Personal Prayer/Journaling**

Think about the time you were most scared. Write down what you remember. Also write down other things you are afraid of and ask God to help you overcome your fears. Read Isaiah 41:10-13 and 1 John 1:16-18 Thank God for His love which casts out all fear.

## **Prayer Activity**

Choose one or more countries which are being affected by war and/or terrorism. Make a prayer poster with the country's flag, some photos, some helpful information, and pray for the children in that nation. Place something black or grey over the poster to remind you of the sins committed through war and terrorism. Then cover the black or grey with something red, representing the blood of Jesus, and pray cleansing of the nation and protection over the children. Then cover with something white and claim the righteousness of Christ over the nation. (You could use a world map for this activity also) Some countries you could pray for - Iraq, Israel, India, Nepal, Russia, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Thailand, Bangladesh, Turkey, Algeria, Philippines, Colombia, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Uganda, Liberia, Zimbabwe



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DAY 7

## RECONCILE

...as we forgive those who sin against us...

Pray ... for children from other religious backgrounds, that they would hear the Good News of Jesus. Pray for more missionaries and children's workers to reach these children and bring them the truth.

Thank God ... for Jesus, that He sent His only Son to die for you, that you might have eternal life! Thank God for the people who have helped you to know Jesus.

## Personal Prayer/Journalling

Think about any time you have been hurt by other people, e.g. words, actions. Ask God if there is anyone you need to forgive, and if He shows you anyone then go ahead and forgive them in prayer (and personally if you need to). Read Matthew 18:21-22

## Prayer Activity

Make signs representing other religions, e.g. Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism. Turn off lights or make your room as dark as possible. Take a flashlight or candle and carry it in prayer to each sign, to bring the light of Jesus to the children trapped in the darkness of other religions. From 2 Corinthians 4:6 pray the following for the children: "God, let light shine out of darkness. Make Your light shine in their hearts to give them light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ."



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DAY 8

**LEAD**

...and lead us not into temptation...

**Pray ...**

for children who have to work and are unable to go to school. Pray that there would be more financial support for families of these children so that they can receive education. Ask God to protect children who might get hurt from working too hard, or in dangerous places, or for unkind people.

**Thank God ...**

for your school and the education you have received so far. Thank God for those who have been teaching you

**Personal Prayer/Journalling**

Think about your own personal school experience. Write down the good and the bad thoughts. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Ask God to help you to have an "attitude of gratitude". Write a thank-you prayer to God for your education so far

**Prayer Activity**

Take a piece of paper and draw 100 crosses on it. If you like, they can be crosses which remind us of Jesus dying for us. Find a school book of some kind and hold it in your hand. Place your other hand over the crosses and pray for children who do not have the opportunity to go to school. Those 100 crosses each represent approximately 1 million primary school age children who do not go to school. Particularly pray for children in sub-Saharan Africa where 46 million of them are out of school, and South Asia where 35 million are out of school. Thank God that these numbers are coming down year by year and ask Him to keep answering our prayers.





DAY 9

10 JUNE 2011

**OVERCOME**  
...but deliver us from evil...

**Pray ...**  
for children in disaster zones, i.e. where there have been earthquakes, floods, tsunamis, fires, etc. Pray for those children who have lost their families, lost their homes, or who have been damaged physically or emotionally. Pray for their families also and for those who have lost children. Pray that God would give them hope for the future, and pray for their protection against people who might do wrong to them.

**Thank God ...**  
for your home. Thank Him for all the things He has provided in your home and the people who live with you there.

**Personal Prayer/Journaling**  
Imagine what it would be like to lose everything, your family, your home, your possessions. What would you do if you were the only one to survive a disaster? Spend some time thinking about what it would be like, what you could do, to help yourself and others, and what you would need. Are there things you could pray for now that would prepare you for times of trouble in the future? Write your prayer to God.

**Prayer Activity**  
If you can, find a quiet place outside somewhere, and sit alone on the ground. (If not just sit on the floor) Close your eyes and imagine what it would be like to be left alone in the world with no one to care for you. Open your eyes and look around and thank God for everything that you can see. If you like write down the things you are thanking Him for. Practise using your "spiritual eyes and ears" to hear from God. He can talk to us sometimes through noises and the things we see. Is God talking to you through something you are looking at, or something you can hear?





DAY 10

11 JUNE 2011

## GLORIFY

...for Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Pray ...  
for homeless children, for those who are living on the streets or in shelters. Pray for those who have run away from home that they would be able to return or find others to care for them. Pray for the ministries/agencies who care for these children, that they would be able to help and rescue more children from the dangers of living this way.

Thank God ...  
for where you live and that He is watching over you when you sleep at night.

Personal Prayer/Journaling  
Look at Isaiah 43:7 which tells that we were created for God's glory. Think about your daily life. Do you glorify God in all that you do? If not, tell God you are sorry for the things which do not glorify Him, and ask Him to help you to live a life that does glorify Him. Write down the things which you are going repent of and ask Him to help you change.

Prayer Activity  
Make a "Glory" poster. Look up and read these verses, write the references on your poster and draw a picture which describes each verse.

Isaiah 40:6 "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field"

Ezekiel 43:2 "and I saw the glory of the God of Israel coming from the east. His voice was like the roar of rushing waters, and the land was radiant with his glory."

Acts 7:55 "But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God."

Revelation 21:10-11 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

When you have finished your poster, hold it up and pray for the Global Day of Prayer, from Habakkuk 2:14 that the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

