# **COMMUNITY PRAYER GUIDE**



MAY 2024

# "With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith." 2 Thessalonians 1:11

## Church

Pray for the Lord's vision and plans to be given to the leadership of your church. Pray for everyone in your church: for God to fulfill every good purpose & act prompted by faith. Pray for pastors & churches to love each other more & be unified as Jesus and the Father are. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be poured out on our entire community & draw people to follow Jesus.

#### Education

Pray for strength and endurance for teachers and students to finish the year well. Pray for God to anoint and call wise, excellent educators into every open position. Pray for community and church collaborations to support students' social and emotional learning. Pray for God to raise up fearless leaders in education to reform systems and practices.

#### Family

Pray for the health, protection, and well-being of children in unstable homes. Pray for God to heal children & families impacted by divorce and domestic violence. Pray for struggling marriages: for God to provide wise counsel and resources that reconcile. Pray for parents & adults: 1) to teach youth to "guard their hearts and minds" and 2) create environments where kids have clarity, are known & become who they were created to be.

#### Business

Pray for local business leaders (by name) to have God's wisdom and virtue as they lead. Pray for positive and supportive relationships to increase across business, government & faith sectors. Pray for God to actively guide business networks like Rotary, Chambers of Commerce & Lane Leaders. Pray for the growth and encouragement of the new "Believers at Work" network to help Jesus-followers in every workplace connect and engage faith at work.

#### Government

Pray for government and business leaders to support each other and create a stronger positive community narrative.

Pray for local governments, businesses, and churches to have a shared vision for our community. Pray for God to give wisdom and guide the hearts of our local government leaders.

Pray for God to guide election season activities and the election of candidates.

# "We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Thessalonians 1:12

# **Health Care**

Pray for God to empower leaders to create plans that prioritize patient care over profit in local healthcare organizations.

Pray for more Health Care Professionals (HCPs) to be hired in all hospitals & clinics. Pray for God's wisdom and solutions to resolve overloaded Emergency Room conditions. Pray for God's healing presence to work through Volunteers in Medicine, White Bird, and

Willamette Family as they care for people.

## Arts

Pray for God's hand and activity to be upon high school musical & visual arts productions. Pray for the next generation of artists (visual, music, theatrical) to be raised up to glorify God. Pray for Christ-following artists to be inspired, unhindered, & persistent in their expressions. Pray for God to impact and guide the selection of artists for the Cuthbert Theater and the Emerald Art Gallery.

## Media

Pray for favor and good relations between local media and community members. Pray for those in media to have first-hand experiences of God's love through the Church. Pray for local media leaders: clear vision, protection & conviction to report all sides of stories. Pray for Christ-followers to fill the area of media: reporting with truth, accuracy & neutrality.

## **Police & Fire Departments**

Pray for greater harmony and planning between First Responders & mental health workers. Pray for the provision and strengthening of "mobile crisis services," like Cahoots. Pray for unity & collaboration among all local First Responder agencies. Pray for people of noble character to be hired, as all departments need employees. Pray for the health, protection, and wisdom of our local First Responders.

## Sports

Pray for God's hand on coaches, athletes & the events of the Olympic Track & Field Trials. Pray for God to bless and guide Kid Sports, YMCA, youth sports leagues, and school sports. Pray for God to raise up and strengthen Christ-following coaches in every age group. Pray for UO & OSU athletes to experience an outpouring of the Spirit and grow in their faith.

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word." 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17



# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Kids & Family Resource & Spanish Prayer Guide: onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide Answers to Prayer: onehopenetwork.org/testimonies