



40—DAY PRAYER GUIDE

2025

An 1823 Collegiate Prayer Movement & An Invitation to the Global Church

FOREWORD BY DAVID SMITHERS

The Concert of Prayer Movement revolutionized the role of prayer in the life of the local church forever. Never before had so many different kinds of Christians prayed together at the same time in such large numbers. Pastors and elders were learning how to organize weekly and monthly prayer meetings for the very first time. The Concert of Prayer literally changed the face of corporate prayer in a single generation. Soon the fires of revival were burning.

The Concert of Prayer was the fruit of the 1st Great Awakening, and a forerunner of the 2nd Great Awakening, but it was also a major catalyst to the Great Century of missions (1792-1910).

When the Second Great Awakening started around 1790 to 1792, it began in the communities most willing to humble themselves and pray. The revival then impacted many of the Ivy League Colleges and then swept across the whole eastern seaboard of America. This mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit lasted for over fifty years. From approximately 1792 to 1845, spiritual revivals repeatedly occurred in one part of that nation or another.

One of the places that the 2nd Great Awakening left its deepest mark was on colleges and universities. The early records of many universities read like a virtual history book of spiritual revival. In fact, many student awakenings took place over many consecutive years. The source of these repeated college revivals can be easily traced to the renewed Concerts of Prayer. When concerns were raised about the future leadership of their nation, churches quickly turned to the proven power of the Concert of Prayer movement.

By 1815 the Concert of Prayer for Colleges had become a regular feature on the New England campuses of Yale, Williams, Brown and Middlebury. By 1823 almost every major denomination and university in America had embraced the practice of a concerted day of prayer for colleges. All the universities in America at this time had been founded through the Church and therefore were expected to supply the next generation of evangelical leaders.

They believed that the direction of their churches and that of the whole nation would soon follow the spiritual bent and character of their college students — ***As the students go, so goes the nation.*** It was this kind of farseeing perspective that moved the American Church to firmly establish a national day of prayer for colleges.

Henry C. Fish in his Handbook of Revivals confirms the wisdom and success of this special day of prayer for college students. He says, *"In the year 1823 the last Thursday of February in each year was agreed upon as the day for special supplication that God would pour from on high His Spirit upon our Colleges and Seminaries. And what have been some of the results? In the years 1824 and 1825 revivals were experienced in five different Colleges; in 1826 in six Colleges; in 1831 in nineteen . . . In one of the Colleges it is stated that a revival started on the very day of the concert of prayer. In 1835, not less than eighteen revivals were reported by different colleges."*

By the end of the nineteenth century, these repeated student awakenings had radically transformed the culture and moral climate of many of America's largest universities. ***As a result many of the nation's ministers at this time were encouraging their congregations to send their children to college, if they wanted to see them safe and soundly converted.***

More than 200 years later, the Collegiate Day of Prayer remains a powerful invitation – not only to the American Church, but also to the Global Church. It is a moment to pause and remember the fruit of this historic prayer movement in an entire nation – when the Concert of Prayer revolutionized corporate prayer as we all know it today. Not only did it radically redefine the power and potential of what is possible when believers pray together, it turned whole nations back to God and rescued them from judgment and certain destruction. It reunited tens of thousands of believers with God and with one another. It mobilized a generation of new spiritual leaders, restored the broken dreams of countless weary ministers, and ushered in the Kingdom of God among the forgotten and unreached. Most importantly, it exalted Jesus Christ as the only King and Savior worthy to be worshiped and obeyed.

This generation desperately needs our prayers like never before. There's never been a greater need for true revival and awakening than there is today. God is calling us back to the ancient paths of our fathers. *The needs of this generation demand a response. Will we answer the call to believe and pray?*

On the last Thursday of February, we want to invite you to adopt 3+ college campuses in prayer: (1) One that is **Near to your Home**, (2) One that is **Near to your Heart** (alma mater, where your kids go, etc.), and (3) One that is **In another nation**.

You can adopt college campuses here:
CollegiateDayOfPrayer.org



Gather25 is a historic, worldwide gathering, inviting every Christian – of every denomination – from every continent – to come together on February 28th and March 1st, 2025 for 25 hours of prayer, worship, repentance and commissioning. The mission is to mobilize the world's 2.5 billion Christians to share the Gospel with the 5.5 billion people who do not yet know Jesus.

God is moving among Gen Z in powerful ways. We believe this generation plays a key role in sharing Jesus with the 5.5 billion people who don't yet know him. YOU are invited to be a part of this moment! Head to gather25.com to learn how to join with the global Church on Feb 28th and March 1st.



Preparing Our Hearts: 5 Keys From the Awakening at Nineveh

BY CHRIS NGAI

“ . . . they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now one greater than Jonah is here.”
— Matthew 12:41

Years ago, a pastor asked one of the most heart-provoking questions, in a room full of praying believers: “Is our level of prayer matching the level of the need of the hour?” While the quantity of prayer is increasing as never before, a greater question remains: is the depth and urgency of our prayers matching the level of need in this hour?

It is absolutely incredible to consider the response of the people of Nineveh, in the days of Jonah. God gave Jonah a message to deliver in an urgent hour: “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overturned.” Amazingly, there was no hope of redemption or a call to repent—it was simply a word of judgment, the final hour for Nineveh.

Yet, in the midst of this final call from heaven, we see there were five critical ways that Nineveh responded, which led to an outpouring of great mercy and revival upon their people and land:

1. They believed God. This is a profound statement—a completely godless generation heard the word of the Lord, awakened to the urgency of the hour, and believed God.
2. They declared a fast. Giving up the enjoyments, pleasures, and distractions of this life, they humbled themselves and became wholeheartedly focused on their desperate need for God!

3. All of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. They allowed themselves to feel uncomfortable continuously so they would not forget, even for a moment, the urgency of the hour they were living in.
4. Everyone urgently called on God. This was a desperate, heart-wrenching cry for mercy, from all the people of Nineveh—knowing that if they did not catch the attention of heaven in that window of time, there would be no hope for their people or their nation.
5. They turned away from their evil ways and violence. They gave up their offensive and grievous ways before the Lord, responding with a deep and life-altering repentance!

“When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he had compassion and did not bring upon them the destruction he had threatened.” (Jonah 3:5-10) In this critical season of human history, how will we respond to the invitation of heaven to return to Him with all of our hearts?

HEART PREPARATION BEFORE WE BEGIN THESE 40 DAYS

Ask God how He would have you respond to the invitation of heaven over your campus and nation. What is the level of prayer, humility, seeking and repentance that is needed to match the level of need in this urgent hour? Write it down and commit yourself, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, to walk it out over these next 40 days!



DAY 1

Urgent and Desperate Prayer

JONATHAN “JP” POKLUDA

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THERE'S AN URGENCY in this verse that we can't ignore. It's a call to drop everything and seek God wholeheartedly, to let Him turn our distractions into devotion. Revival doesn't start with grand actions; it begins with simple, desperate prayer—a desire for more of God and less of everything that keeps us from Him.

On campuses around the world, the stakes are high. So many young people face anxiety, loneliness, and pressure to find their worth in things that ultimately fade. In that same space, God invites us to pray and seek Him, to stand firm on His truth, and to trust that He can reach our friends, family, and peers who feel lost or overwhelmed.

“Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near.”

- ISAIAH 55:6

What if we prayed as though every single heart around us could be awakened to the love and purpose of Jesus? Revival doesn't wait—it begins the moment we ask God to move and say, “Start with me.”

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for revival on campuses. Ask God to bring revival to college campuses, igniting a passion for His Word and His purposes (Habakkuk 3:2).***
- ***Pray for students to encounter Jesus. Pray for hearts to be open to Jesus, for students to experience true belonging and identity in Him (John 10:10).***
- ***Pray for endurance in faith. Pray for believers to stand firm, to grow in faith, and to be unwavering in their witness, trusting God's power in every challenge (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).***

DAY 2

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“IF GOD IS IN CONTROL of everything, why should I even pray?” Have you ever had this thought?

If so, you're not alone! So many of us struggle with prayer; maybe we don't understand it, or nobody taught us how to pray, or we just don't feel like it makes a difference. But here's what I believe with all my heart: **prayer is the greatest tool we have to connect our lives to God, fight our sin, and see change happen in the world.**

I know that prayer can feel confusing or risky. **But I also know that when we pray bold prayers in faith, God moves.** I truly believe one of the biggest reasons we don't see the Holy Spirit moving in miraculous ways around us is because we aren't asking Him to do so! My hope is that we as a global Church will begin to pray bigger, bolder prayers. We have to pray prayers that feel risky.

We are living in a world that needs big things from God. We need Him to awaken the hearts of believers everywhere in a fresh, urgent way. We need Him to bring repentance as people turn away from sin and toward Him. We need Christ-followers on every single continent to boldly share the gospel with the 5.5 billion people who aren't yet believers. In short, we need Him to move in big, powerful ways.

“Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”

– JAMES 5:16

So many of us get stuck here. We care so much, but we are so afraid to ask God to do the big things because we are afraid He will say no or that it just doesn't matter if we ask or not. It feels too risky to pray the big prayers.

But prayer does change things. James 5 tells us that the prayers of the righteous are “powerful and effective.” When we take our bold requests to Him in risky prayer, He hears and He moves. Nothing is too big for Him! His response may not always be exactly what we imagined or hoped for, but we can pray with confidence nonetheless. He is delighted by our faith and is moved by our bold prayers

That's worth the risk.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Boldly ask the Holy Spirit to move in a miraculous way across every single continent.***
- ***Pray that God will give believers all around the world a renewed desire to share the gospel with those around them.***
- ***Pray for those who are not yet believers in Jesus—that they will hear the gospel, repent, and turn to Jesus in faith.***

DAY 3

Moving From “Anything” to “Everything”

JON TYSON

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A DESPERATE FATHER brings his demonically tormented son to Jesus. The demonic spirit throws the boy into convulsions—into fire and water—in an attempt to destroy him. We can hear the anguish in the father’s voice as he pleads, “But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us” (Mark 9:22). He has tried everything, exhausted every resource, and now stands at the edge of hope, daring to ask for anything that might offer relief. Jesus responds with a simple yet profound correction: “Everything is possible for one who believes.”

This exchange marks a pivotal shift—from “anything” to “everything.” The father’s initial plea, “if you can do anything,” reflects a limited view of who Jesus is and what He can do. Perhaps the father hoped Jesus would offer a small measure of relief, just enough to ease his son’s suffering. But

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**“‘If you can’?” said
Jesus. “Everything is
possible for the one
who believes.”**

— MARK 9:23

Jesus redirects the father’s attention, encouraging him to believe not in “anything” Jesus might do, but in “everything” He can do.

Our spiritual lives can mirror this story. We approach Jesus with partial faith, asking Him to do anything that might help us get by—a bit of peace in a difficult moment, some encouragement when we’re weary, or just enough provision to make ends meet. These prayers aren’t wrong, but they reveal the limits we sometimes place on our faith. We believe Jesus can help, but do we truly believe He has the power to transform?

Jesus calls us to expand our vision of Him. He doesn’t just want us to seek Him for small, isolated miracles; He wants us to believe in His limitless power, to embrace the truth that “everything is possible” through faith. This means shifting from a mindset that sees Jesus as a last resort to one that recognizes Him as the source of all transformation and restoration.

This shift requires us to let go of our limited perspective, which often restricts what we think God can or will do in our lives. The father in Mark 9 started with doubts, but he chose to move forward with a mustard seed of faith, responding, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!” It was enough for Jesus, who cast out the demon and healed the boy completely. The father’s limited view of “anything” was transformed into an encounter with the “everything” power of Jesus.

Let’s allow Jesus to challenge our limited view, to stretch our faith beyond what we can control or predict, and to embrace the full extent of His power. When we truly see Jesus for who He is—limitless, compassionate, and faithful—we can move from a life of asking for scraps of help to one of believing in His abundant ability to transform everything.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Ask Jesus to help you overcome your unbelief.***
- ***Pray that Jesus will open your eyes to see Him as He truly is.***
- ***Declare to the Lord: “I don’t want to settle for anything; I want to believe in your everything.”***

No Revival Without Revived People

JAMES CHOUNG

DAY 4

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WHAT IS REVIVAL? We researched what revival looked like in history, learned from its dynamics, prayed about it, and attempted to tackle a definition that might be helpful for our movement. After nine months, we landed on a definition:

*A season of breakthroughs
in word, deed, and power
that ushers in a new normal
of Kingdom experience and fruitfulness*

It's in and out. It's internal and external.

Our souls may be revived, but that should spill over into mission. It bears fruit. It is not just meant to connect with individual souls, but true revival also brings a change in our relationships, in our communities, and in our societies. It breaks out into the world. It really has to create a new normal, not only in us but around us: a new normal that is good and just.

And it's also personal. Revivals are not moments, but movements, and yet they often start in someone's soul. Seminary professors Malcolm McDow and Alvin Reid put it this way: "Revivals always start with personal encounters with God and travel through concentric circles to their conclusions. . . . Revival always starts with that one or those few who are serious with God, are ignited by God, and who become

**"WILL YOU NOT REVIVE US
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MAY REJOICE IN YOU?"**

— PSALM 85:6

flames from which others can be set afire." It's such a pattern that we can be confident enough to say this: no revival in history started without revived people. In a very real sense, revival starts within someone or within a group of people. Early twentieth century evangelist Rodney "Gypsy" Smith was once asked how to start a revival. He replied, "Go home. Lock yourself in your room. Kneel down in the middle of the floor, and with a piece of chalk draw a circle around yourself. There, on your knees, pray fervently and brokenly that God would start a revival within that chalk circle."

We can't ignore the personal experience of revival. It's a seed. It begins small and unnoticed in the soil of a desperate heart, but can also escalate into a people movement that spreads its branches broadly enough so that communities and even nations may find refuge in them.

Will you ask God to start a revival in you?

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Ask God how to start revival in your own heart.***
- ***Pray that your personal revival will be a catalyst for revival in people around you.***
- ***Pray that personal revival will be fanned into flames of revival in your community.***

DAY 5

Wholehearted Consecration

THAI LAM

Thai serves as director of Collegiate Day of Prayer and executive director of Revival is Family Foundation laboring for another great awakening on college campuses.

A DESPERATE FATHER In the days of Nebuchadnezzar and Israel's exile to Babylon, four Jewish teenagers—Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah—were brought into Nebuchadnezzar's school of leadership to be trained in the language and literature of Babylon. Part of the training was a daily regimen of the king's choice foods. What was Nebuchadnezzar's objective in taking a handful of young leaders from a slave nation and giving them a full ride to Babylon's "Ivy League" university, including room and board in the king's palace and dining hall?

I believe Nebuchadnezzar desired to cultivate an appetite in these future leaders for Babylonian comforts and pleasures, to erode their efforts to preserve Jewish heritage and their zeal to be set apart according to Jewish law. He sought to dull their

“That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him.”

— EPHESIANS 1:17 (ESV)

“As for these four youths, God gave them learning and skill in all literature and wisdom, and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.”

— DANIEL 1:17 (ESV)

resistance from imbibing the spirit and culture of Babylon.

With their admission to the University of Babylon, these four Jewish teenagers were also given Babylonian names. Daniel, whose name means “God is my judge,” is renamed Belteshazzar, meaning “Lady, protect the King.” Hananiah (“Yahweh has been gracious”) is renamed Shadrach (“I am fearful of God”). Mishael (“Who is as God?”) is renamed Meshach (“I am despised, contemptible, humiliated”). And Azariah (“Yahweh has helped”) is renamed Abednego (“Servant of Nebo”). Nebuchadnezzar wanted to redefine their very identity.

Like Nebuchadnezzar in Babylon, Satan—in the modern context of our secular, humanistic universities—desires to erode our zeal

for holiness and wholeheartedness for Jesus and to dull our resistance to the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life. The same holy prescription applies for us today as it did for Daniel and his comrades in the days of Babylon: these young leaders gave themselves to a consecrated lifestyle of extended fasting and regular prayer.

They voluntarily chose to forego the pleasures of the king's fine dining and embraced a prayerful lifestyle of fasting on

vegetables for the three years they were at the University of Babylon. In learning to refuse the legitimate pleasures of food, favor, and comfort, they grew in grace and strength to refuse the illegitimate pleasures of compromise, pleasing man, and selfish ambition. By allowing the Lord to operate on the appetites of their bellies through a lifestyle of fasting and prayer, God gave them "learning and skill in all literature and wisdom" ten times better than their peers. They became leaders with understanding from heaven that shifted history.

PRAYER POINTS

Pray for God to raise up leaders on campuses like Daniel who have the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of God.

Pray for God to raise up ones like Daniel on college campuses who would be set apart for God's purposes and would fast and pray for breakthrough on their campuses.



DAY 6

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IF WE TRULY want to see the presence of the Lord flood our campuses, we must prepare the way for the refreshing waters to come! As these Scriptures clearly tell us, the revealing of His outpouring and His presence *first depends* on these conditions: repentance and holiness.

John the Baptist came to prepare the way of the Lord. His message and his baptism were both of repentance. People from the entire region began coming out to confess their sins and be baptized as a sign of their repentance. He called them not only to confess, but also to *turn* from their sins, bearing fruit in keeping with repentance (Matt. 3:2-3, 5-6, 8). This heart preparation allowed for the ministry of Jesus to be revealed to Israel, and for heaven to draw near to an entire people!

Frank Bartleman of the Azusa Street Revival said this: "The depth of any revival will be determined exactly by the spirit of repentance it obtains."

"...without holiness no one will see the Lord."

— HEBREWS 12:14b (NIV)

"REPENT, THEN, AND TURN TO GOD, SO THAT YOUR SINS MAY BE WIPED OUT, THAT TIMES OF REFRESHING MAY COME FROM THE LORD . . ."

— ACTS 3:19 (NIV)

Indeed, there cannot be a *lasting* move of God without a *deep* work of repentance among us. When the great revival came upon Wales in 1904, "Nothing had ever come over Wales with such far-reaching results. Infidels were converted, drunkards, thieves and gamblers saved; and thousands reclaimed to respectability. Confessions of awful sins were heard on every side. Old debts were paid. The theatre had to leave for want of patronage. Mules in the coal mines refused to work, being unused to kindness. In five weeks, 20,000 joined the churches."

In less than a year, more than 100,000 souls were brought into the Kingdom in this mighty outpouring of the Spirit!

Leading up to the Welsh Revival, Evan Roberts delivered a message regarding the four conditions for receiving the Holy Spirit that became a catalyst in and

throughout this outpouring:

We must confess before God all unconfessed sin.

1. We must remove anything that is doubtful in our lives.
2. Total Surrender. We must say and do

all that the Spirit tells us.

3. Make a public confession of Christ.

Are we ready to prepare the way of the Lord? For without repentance, there will be no times of refreshing. Without holiness, no one will see the Lord!

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Read Psalm 139:23-24. Take time to ask God to search and reveal our hearts. Let each heart ask: "Lord, is there any way in me that is offensive? Is there anything I have not truly surrendered to You?" Do not rush.***
- ***Allow the Holy Spirit to bring to light everything He desires to address. Then, confess your sins to God and to one to another, praying for one another (James 5:16).***
- ***After confessing each sin, ask God how He wants to replace the old ways of seeing, thinking, believing, and living with how He wants you to see, think, believe, and live!***
- ***"Father, we long for times of refreshing! We ask You to release a movement of repentance and holiness that will sweep through [your adopted campus], that every heart will be consumed with longing for Your presence! Let this campus become an altar, and every heart a living sacrifice, upon which the fire of heaven will fall!"***

DAY 7

Do You Truly Know God? TIAGO SUGUIHARA

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IN OUR SPIRITUAL journeys, we often accumulate vast knowledge about God through sermons, Bible studies, and personal reading. But a profound question remains: do we truly know Him? It's one thing to know about God intellectually—to understand His works and attributes—and quite another to experience His presence, to walk with Him, to hear His voice, and to recognize His heart for us. Knowledge about God can leave us full of information but empty of intimacy.

This is where so many are today: spiritually informed yet relationally distant. God invites us into so much more, calling us beyond knowledge into intimacy. He desires for us to move from knowing about Him to truly knowing Him—personally, deeply, and genuinely.

Our world is filled with people who are spiritually hungry, constantly searching for something to satisfy their inner longing. Some turn to careers, relationships, or even religion, thinking these will fulfill them. Yet, they still feel empty. Ironically, many seek satisfaction everywhere except where it can truly be found—in a relationship with God.

God is not drawn to intellectual knowledge or surface-level religion. He is drawn to hunger. Throughout history, He has poured out His Spirit and brought revival in places where people are genuinely thirsty for Him. God searches for those who will

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.”

— MATTHEW 5:6

pursue Him with an intense, unquenchable longing—a hunger that can only be satisfied in His presence. His Spirit cannot be forced, but He can be welcomed where hearts are passionately seeking Him. This hunger for God not only attracts His presence but transforms us and, through us, the world around us.

Take time today to examine your heart. Are you seeking to know God personally, or are you merely content with knowing about Him? Ask yourself where you have been trying to satisfy spiritual hunger with temporary substitutes. True hunger for God isn't just a fleeting emotion but a deep, persistent longing that drives us closer to Him each day. Pray for this hunger to be ignited in your heart, and commit to pursuing God with a fresh, relentless passion that goes beyond routine and embraces intimacy.

Lord, I want more than just knowledge of You. Awaken in me a deep, unquenchable hunger for Your presence. Teach me to seek You, to know You, and to experience Your heart. Forgive me for seeking fulfill-

ment in other places. May my life be a place where Your Spirit is welcomed and where my heart cries out for more of You every day. Amen.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for a deep hunger and thirst in the hearts of Christians that drives them into true relationship with God.***
- ***Pray that God stirs within us a longing for intimacy that surpasses surface-level knowledge, leading to genuine transformation.***
- ***Cry out for a move of God's Spirit that will cause even the hardest hearts to be softened, declaring, "There is a God!"***

DAY 8

Now the young man Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli . . . Then the Lord called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down . . . And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli . . . Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the young man. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, Lord, for your servant hears.’” . . . So Samuel went and lay down in his place. And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.” Then the Lord [spoke] to Samuel.

— 1 SAMUEL 3:1, 7-10

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AS I’VE REFLECTED on how God first spoke to Samuel, I’m reminded that *even those who have great prayer lives and hear regularly from the Lord had to start somewhere*. That is encouraging to me! Who of us have not struggled to hear the voice of the Lord or identify it from the other voices in our heads?

I appreciate how this story highlights God’s initiation towards Samuel and His persistence with him. God doesn’t give up when Samuel mishears Him multiple times! God’s words to Samuel are consistent with how He has spoken to His people in the past. God uses Eli to help Samuel discern

His voice and know how to respond to it.

Do you believe God still speaks to His people? That He has words to say to you? Hearing often comes from cultivating an attentive and obedient heart toward God, like Samuel. Some suggestions include:

Make a regular habit of pulling away from the noise of life to listen to the Lord, reflect on the Scriptures, and process with Him your hurts, longings, and normal realities. As a university student, I often took Friday afternoons to bike around town, find a quiet bench or coffee shop to read His Word, journal, and just enjoy being with the Lord—much like I would a friend! Through these and shorter daily times, I began to learn His heart and voice, and trust Him with my own.

Like Samuel, I've needed others to help me recognize the voice of Jesus amidst other voices (i.e. my own, the culture's, a parent's voice). With whom can you connect for a season to grow in knowing Christ and His

voice? Share your lives, read and reflect on the Scriptures, pray together. Those three simple practices, over time with another person, can have radical implications for your personal life and the Kingdom of God.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Prayerfully reflect on the story of Samuel (1 Samuel 3) and its implications for your own life.***
- ***Ask, "Jesus, how are You revealing Yourself to me through this passage?"***
- ***Pray for Him to reveal anything He wants to show you about your own heart, beliefs, or practices.***

DAY 9

Those of Understanding Raised up in Prayer **BELINDA GRACIA**

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PRAYER IS MUCH MORE than requesting something. When we pray for renewal and revival, it is the way of aligning our hearts to *His* heart and with *His* timing. Instead of asking what we want, we open our hearts to understand what He wants to release in our generation and nation. We align our hearts with it and step into that alignment by our yes.

Aside from all the gifts the Lord had given to Daniel and his friends, Daniel chose “to walk as a man of understanding” amid all the pressures of the wickedness of men, society, and culture. He chose to fix his eyes from a place of prayer, aligning his heart with God’s promises and words. He wrestled until he saw God’s promises fulfilled. Daniel acted boldly because he knew his God through the intimacy he had with the Lord. He understood God was in charge even though circumstances did not look like it. He prayed and acted accordingly as he aligned his heart with God’s heart for his generation.

***“ . . . but the people
who know their God
will be strong and take
action.”***

— DANIEL 11:32B (NASB)

**“TO THESE FOUR YOUNG
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ALL KINDS.”**

— DANIEL 1:17

I experienced the same thing, giving up my youth to be molded as a person of understanding. God turned my prayers into an invitation to obey when I aligned my heart to His heart for my generation. Immediately after graduating from university, God called me to lay down my life for the next generation. He asked me to give up my idea of joining a ministry school abroad in 2014 with this question: “Would you build something from your nation, for your nation?”

I had no idea it would take lots of counter-culture and boldness to stand in the gap for my generation. In the prayer room at our church, my friends and I committed to building our organization, not knowing it

would equip many young people in the islands to live wholeheartedly for Him. They became men and women of understanding who dared to align their yes with God's desire. We labored in a place of prayer to see God's fulfillment for our nation—that of seeing Indonesia as a receiver nation to be a sending nation.

While battling with Covid in 2020, God spoke again: "Would you become the answer to your prayer, lay down your leadership in the organization, and go set the

path for many Indonesians to be sent out by first being sent out to one of the countries in West Asia?" After years of aligning my heart with His heart, creating boldness to say yes, and having an understanding of time and season for our generation, now we are witnessing the ripple effect of that yes for the next generation.

This is how revival and renewal throughout the ages will take place—with people of understanding who are willing to stand up and obey.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for men and women of understanding to be raised in this generation, who will choose to live set apart and align their hearts in a place of prayer, wrestle with the promises of God, and weep and pray until it is fulfilled.***
- ***Pray for these men and women on campuses to boldly fix their gazes and hearts on Him, rather than on society, culture, or pressure in the world.***
- ***Pray that the knowledge of God will increase upon this generation through the Holy Spirit so that they will posture themselves with zeal upon God's character and promises to be revealed in this generation.***

Repentance Makes Way for the Spirit

CONNIE ANDERSON

DAY 10

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WE KNOW THAT our sin can be a block to the Holy Spirit. Confession and repentance are freeing because as the sin gets cleansed by Jesus, there is more room for the Spirit to overflow. This is true both individually and corporately.

Like Jeremiah, Moses, Daniel, Nehemiah, and others, in prayer we can own the corporate responsibility of our nations and communities. This is the principle of *identification* in intercession and is an important part of praying for revival. The prophets lamented the sins of the nation as they cried out to God—think of Habakkuk praying on the wall of Jerusalem.

What historical and contemporary sins are blocking us from receiving God’s favor in greater measure? Can you identify them? Often there are glaring and obvious patterns that reflect the enemy’s work, such as greed, corruption, and injustice. But ask the Lord if there are even more subtle ways so familiar to us that we can hardly identify them.

Sometimes our church communities take part in these more subtle sin patterns without even recognizing it. Modern and historical revivals are always preceded by seasons of repentance. Repentance is preceded

**“We acknowledge
our wickedness,
Lord, and the guilt
of our ancestors;
we have indeed
sinned against
you.”**

— JEREMIAH 14:20

ed by greater awareness and revelation from the Lord as to how to pray.

There is real spiritual power in acknowledging wickedness, injustice, and sin. Evil loves to remain hidden in darkness. Bringing our collective sin out into the open lets the healing light of Christ into those people, patterns, and strongholds. God loves humility, and the enemy cannot work with it. Upon our confession, we begin to be made well. Malachi 4:6 and 2 Chronicles 7:14 suggest that a posture of humility will lead to healing the land. The humility to repent on behalf of ourselves, our local community, and our country can bring great freedom and welcome the Holy Spirit!

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Draw near to the Lord. Ask Him how to repent as a citizen of your country.***
- ***Actively repent in response to God's leading.***
- ***Pray for God to pour out His Holy Spirit and grace us with Christ-like character.***



DAY 11

Make Us One: Racial Reconciliation

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THERE IS ONLY ONE true answer to healing the racial divide in the nations, and it is Jesus—seen through the public witness of the multi-ethnic and multi-cultural Church. In John 17, Jesus cried out not only for a vertical reconciliation (between us and the Father), but also a horizontal reconciliation (between the people of God). It is through the Church's oneness with God and each other that the world will know that Jesus is the Son of God, sent to redeem mankind.

Jesus invites all believers into the ministry of reconciliation and healing (2 Cor. 5:18)—and how critically it is needed in this hour! This work begins by first confronting our own personal biases and prejudices. We must get real with God and allow Him to deeply clean our hearts. We must ask Him to anoint our eyes to see and love His image in every human being.

Jesus knows that when we move past our personal biases and preferences and begin to love one another with His heart, a unity so powerful will burst forth, bringing the world into the knowledge and saving grace of God!

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ARE IN ME AND I AM IN YOU.
MAY THEY ALSO BE IN US SO
THAT THE WORLD MAY
BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE
SENT ME.”**

— ACTS 3:19 (NIV)



PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray for yourself, that God will reveal any personal biases you're unaware of and that He will give you His heart for all people.*
- *Join with Jesus' prayer for the rest of the Church by praying John 17:20-21.*

DAY 12

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BEFORE APPS AND COMPASSES, stars were the navigational tool. Now consider each one of the people in the Bible. By comparing them to stars, they are placed as reference points to help us find our way. What makes reference points so important? And have you chosen yours?

As a college student, you have yet to make so many critical decisions that will impact the rest of your life. I'm not trying to make you anxious; I want you to be mindful of both the privilege and responsibility of your position. The culture around you is always pulling people down to its level of immaturity. It urges everyone to live solely in the present instead of building life intentionally. If you don't choose a path, someone will choose for you—or even worse, you can spend your life bouncing around aimlessly, never getting anywhere.

In the Bible we find real people with flaws, struggles, dreams, and desires. Their stories were woven with the help of God. When we study their lives, we can extract powerful lessons that will guide us in our path.

One of my favorite reference points is Daniel. In times of war, he managed to survive and succeed during occupation. Let me share with you some of the characteristics that set him apart in the first place. These serve as guidelines for our own lives:

“Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.”

— DANIEL 12:3

- **He was a son, a prince to be exact.**
Be mindful of who our Heavenly Father is and always keep a heavenly Kingdom mentality.
- **He was without blemish, he had integrity.**
It's not a matter of what you can get away with but choosing to do what's right as a reflection of your identity.
- **He was wise and willing to learn.**
Wisdom is the ability to make good choices and decisions. It's not enough to be smart, we need to be willing to learn.
- **He had a lifestyle of prayer.**
The same God who led all the wonderful people in the Bible is right there with you. Just talk to Him.

Become a reference point! According to astronomy, new stars are born every day. I believe you are meant to become a reference point for your generation. The way

you live your life matters! Your decisions will not only shape your future but become the building blocks for future generations.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for wisdom to choose good reference points for your own life.***
- ***Pray for you and your friends to develop the same characteristics and prayer lives that Daniel and his friends had.***
- ***Pray to become a good reference point for those generations coming after you.***

DAY 13

Created for God's Purpose SETH S. KIM

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WHEN YOU WAKE UP every morning, do you have a sense of purpose? Are you excited about the new day to live out what you are called to do? Realistically, many of us don't feel a strong sense of purpose. One of the major reasons we feel purposeless is that we do not know God's purpose. We have made this journey of finding purpose focused too much on ourselves, rather than on God. It has to start with us asking, "What is on God's heart and what is He doing around the world?"

We must remember that we were created by God with a purpose in order for us to live out *His* purpose. God simply wants us to love Him and others so that we can make disciples of all nations to glorify Him.

In Acts 13:36, we see Paul and Barnabas at Antioch in Pisidia. Paul shares about King David and how he lived out God's purposes and then passed away. Here are three things to notice:

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“Now when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors and his body decayed.”

— ACTS 13:36

First, **we will all die one day.** Often, we forget about our mortality. When we realize this, we can reorient our lives to live each day with a greater purpose. Psalm 39:4 says, "LORD, remind me how brief my time on earth will be. Remind me that my days are numbered—how fleeting my life is" (NLT).

Second, **we must live to serve God's purposes.** God created us so that we can live for Him and serve Him. Ephesians 2:10 says, "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago" (NLT). When we live for ourselves, we will implode and lose sight of our greater purpose.

Third, **we are responsible for reaching our generation.** We will all stand before God

and give an account of what we did with our lives. King David lived out God's purposes in his own generation before he died. David was not responsible for his son's generation, but he had to give an account of his generation as he lived for God. In the same way, we see Moses served his generation and then empowered Joshua to serve his own generation

by leading God's people into the promised land.

All throughout history, God is constantly raising up a new generation of people who will love and serve Him. What are you doing about your generation? Could God be raising you up in your generation to fulfill His greater purpose?

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray to be resolved in your commitment to God's purpose (Proverbs 19:21; Isaiah 46:10).*
- *Pray to be responsive in fulfilling God's Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 1:8).*
- *Pray to be responsible for reaching your generation (Psalm 145:4; Joshua 1:1-9).*

DAY 14

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IN TODAY'S WORLD, Gen Z faces overwhelming pressures: academic demands, social media influence, identity struggles, and the weight of mental health challenges. For many college students, life is confusing and chaotic, and I've seen it firsthand while mentoring college students on Auburn University's campus. But even amidst the noise of the world, God is calling Gen Z to rise up with clarity, purpose, and power. His Word assures us that He has a plan for every life—plans to prosper, to give hope, and to lead us into a bright future.

For those of us praying for the next generation, it's easy to feel burdened by the challenges they face. But we must also stand in faith. God has not abandoned them; He is moving in this generation like never before. The next generation is not lost. They are positioned for revival!

It's important that we as believers listen for God's heart and intercede for the revelation of purpose and identity in their lives. As Gen Z struggles to find meaning, they need to know they are deeply loved by God and that He has a unique and significant calling for each one that can and will change the world.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future."

— JEREMIAH 29:11

God is inviting us to pray fervently for the youth of today to encounter His heart and experience revival that leads them to the fullness of His purpose. Our prayer isn't just for their academic success or personal well-being but for a deep, transformative connection with Jesus Christ where they find true identity, freedom, and direction.

As we pray for this generation, let's remember that the greatest revival our nation has ever known will come through the hearts of the young people we are lifting up today. Let us press in, stay faithful, and believe that God will use them in a mighty way for His Kingdom.

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray for personal revival: Lord, awaken the hearts of the next generation to know You intimately. May they experience the life-changing power of Your presence (Jeremiah 29:13).*
- *Pray for purpose and clarity: Father, reveal to each young person their God-given purpose. Help them to see themselves as You see them and trust in the plans You have for their lives (Ephesians 2:10).*
- *Pray for boldness and faith: Lord, empower Your Church to stand firm in prayer for the next generation. May we be bold in interceding for them and partnering with You in the Great Commission (Romans 15:13).*

DAY 15

The Way to Awakening DAVID THOMAS

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ON THE APPROACH to the Collegiate Day of Prayer, it's good to be reminded of how much of God's renewing work has been birthed out of the university campus. Most of the colonial colleges, what we know today as the Ivy League, were started in the overflow of the First Great Awakening. You may know the stories of the Haystack Revival, the Student Volunteer Movement, the passionate praying of David Brainerd begun in his days at Yale, and more. The Wesleyan movement began among a few college men meeting in the 1730s at Oxford University, willing to endure the derision of being called "Methodists" for their commitment to real Christianity.

We live and pray in a cultural moment where we see early signs of this same zeal and boldness among university students today. And we have every reason to follow their lead. These are young men and women who have come of age on the smart phones they are carrying around—a little 24/7 porn store in their pockets, hooked up to an around-the-clock shame factory that reminds them of all they are not and what they are missing. They are emerging adults who have survived COVID in their high school and early college years, who have come through political turmoil and all the rest that has shaped their adolescence. Any Gen Zer I meet who has braved their growing up and are still chasing Jesus, do so with a courage and clarity that I did not have when I was 20 years old. They know how desperately their genera-

**“THERE IS A WIDE-OPEN
DOOR FOR A GREAT WORK
HERE . . .”**

— 1 CORINTHIANS 16:9 (NLT)

tion needs Jesus. They pray with a fervor that matches the urgency of the need. And Jesus is hearing them. We are wise to listen to them.

If organizational corrections were enough to stem the tide of societal decay and renew the church, it would have happened by now. What we need is something only God can do. We need a spiritual awakening. We will have to dig deeper, beneath the surface, down to the sacred root system from which our churches once came and where there is awakening life still nascent.

What we find there is not complicated. Thirst, heartcry, and holy love. Safe and honest soul-friendship among the faithful. Passionate concern for the unbelieving. Endurance married to urgency. Overflow into culture-change. As we take up a Malachi 4 posture of hearts of elders turned to the young, and the young toward the old, we can care for the souls of university stu-

dents and be shade over their boldness in trusting God for a new day in their generation.

Awakening is not something we can manufacture. But we can remove impediments to it. We can position ourselves to receive

it. And we can join hands and hearts across the generations to cry out to God for His new work of grace until He sends it. More than at any other moment in our lives, this could be the way to awakening—with students leading the way.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for personal awakening and humility. Pray for a fresh encounter with Jesus that leads to repentance, opening all channels to His work in our lives. Pray for a deep embrace of a chosen desperation that defies any self-sufficiency and unmasks our true need for God (Psalm 66:18, Psalm 79:8).***
- ***Pray for a vision of what the Christian movement could be. Ask God to reveal the potential of the Church, making the gap between our current experience and that vision intolerable to our spirits. Pray for a willingness to enter into travailing prayer, sharing God's burden for the world (Colossians 3:2, Luke 22:44.)***
- ***Pray for fervent unity and boldness. Pray for an outpouring of the spirit of prayer, marked by fervor and unity. Pray for a renewal of evangelistic passion, leading to boldness in advancing the gospel, especially among emerging adults. Pray for a deep awakening—the healing and authenticity made possible in relationships formed from bonds of safety and courage (Zechariah 12:10, Acts 4:29).***



DAY 16

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IN THE NECESSITY OF PRAYER, E.M. Bounds says, “Prayer is the contact of a living soul with God. In prayer, God stoops to kiss man, to bless man, and to aid man in everything that God can devise or man can need.” And as someone once said, “We never stand taller than when we kneel in prayer.”

The disciples saw the power of prayer and the priority of prayer as they followed Jesus. He rose before dawn to pray. He withdrew from them at times to be alone with the Father in prayer. Seeing the importance Christ placed on prayer, it is understandable why they requested, “Lord, teach us to pray.”

In Acts 4, Peter and John were released from prison, returning to the believers to tell them what had happened. Those who

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US TO PRAY . . .”**

— LUKE 11:1 (NIV)

had been praying saw the extraordinary move of God in answer to their prayers (Acts 4:31):

1. They experienced the presence of God: “the place where they were meeting was shaken.”
2. They received the power of God: “they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.”
3. They achieved the purposes of God: they “spoke the word of God boldly.”

The result was a massive move of God that impacted the Roman Empire and shaped the course of human history.

PRAYER POINTS

- *“Oh God, we come into Your presence, desperately crying out to You, ‘Lord, do it again!’”*
- *“Forgive us for spending more time strategizing than agonizing in prayer. Forgive us for making plans from our collective committees and asking You to bless those plans instead of seeking Your divine plan.”*
- *“We humbly acknowledge we have been shaped by human standards more than by heaven’s plumbline. We repent and turn to You in prayer. Please, dear heavenly Father, use our generation as You used those in the past!”*
- *“Set campuses afire with Your presence as we humble ourselves, pray, and turn from our wicked ways, that once again we will experience Your presence and healing power for our campuses, our nation, and our world.”*

DAY 17

Prerequisite to Revival and Spiritual Awakening

DR. BOB BAKKE

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IN THE EARLY 1830S, two loggers came to faith in Christ under Charles Finney's preaching in Philadelphia. Unknown to Finney, the loggers returned home to the hills of Pennsylvania. Their region was without churches or believers, hardly a Bible, and, we suspect, very few who could read.

Two years later, as Finney traveled down the east side of the Delaware River and held meetings in the town of Camden, NJ, these two loggers came out of the hills to tell Finney the most remarkable story he had ever heard. Not knowing what to do with their new and simple faith, the loggers had returned to their logging camp and put into practice the basic things they learned from Finney. They read the Bible and prayed. As this little prayer group pur-

***“Not by might nor
by power, but by my
Spirit,” says the
LORD Almighty.”***

— ZECHARIAH 4:6

sued God, the group grew as the presence of God grew. In the course of two years, covering an area of 80 square miles, 5,000 people came to Christ! So, when Finney returned to the region, the loggers left the woods to plead with Dr. Finney to send someone back with them to disciple the new Christians and plant churches.

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This astonishing testimony reminds us of how the Kingdom works: “‘Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,’ says the LORD Almighty” (Zechariah 4:6). It echoes the lessons of Ezekiel 37 when God illustrated His promise to bring revival of His captive people with a vision. Standing before a valley of dry bones, God commanded Ezekiel to prophesy His promise of revival to the bones: “‘I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life,’ He said” (vs. 5). But before the dead could live, God commanded Ezekiel a second time: “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy,

son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live'" (vs. 9).

The result? "So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army" (vs. 10). Life is a work of the Spirit, and prayer summons the Spirit in for the glory of heaven.

So, as we pray for the campuses of today—whether we personally identify as manual laborers or prophets—our *modus operandi* is the same as it has always been. By the authority of our Resurrected Christ Himself, who commands us to "pray and not give up" and to "ask [and keep on asking]," we summon the wind—His Spirit of Life and Holiness—who alone can bring life where there is none and seasons of refreshing where they lack.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Confess your/our dependence on God. It is God alone who can rescue this generation (John 15:1-5).***
- ***Humble yourself before God (Psalm 131; Romans 8:26).***
- ***Summon the wind—the Holy Spirit—with expectation for a new Pentecost among college students. Pray for both Christians (for a Spirit-filled life) and the lost—that they may awaken to new life (Ezekiel 36:1-14; Acts 2:1-4).***

DAY 18

“Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars, while the land is yet before us; because we have sought the LORD our God, we have sought him, and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered.”

—2 CHRONICLES 14:7 (KJV)

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WHAT DO PEOPLE dream about in our time? The same things people dreamed about thousands of years ago: to earn money, build a career, influence the world, become famous—and to have good health, a happy family, a united society, and a peaceful life. They also dream to “make about them walls” so that they do not lose and no one takes their gains away. It is with such motivation that many young people go to college and university.

King Asa achieved all of these things and revealed the key to prosperity: Seek God. Find Him, and you will find everything. The further you are from God, the worse it gets; the closer you are to God, the better it gets. This is true because God is the source of all blessings.

Everyone must understand this. But in understanding this truth, there is one danger—we can make God merely a means to achieve our goals. Whatever your main goal is will also become your god. Look at the words of King Asa: “. . . we have sought the LORD our God, we have sought him, and he hath given us . . .”

There is a difference between seeking gifts or seeking the Giver, healing or the Healer, revival or the Reviver. We can seek God for the sake of His gifts or we can seek God for the sake of God. Let there be no other gods before Him. Seek God *for the sake of God*. He is worthy!

If we have everything but do not have God, we have nothing. If we have nothing but God, we have everything.

Seek God.

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray that God sends a spirit of seeking Him to all campuses. No one can seek God in his or her self-righteousness but only by God's mercy. Seek Him so that all glory may be to Him.*
- *Pray that God raises up modern-day King Asas: politicians, architects, businesspeople, creatives, scientists, economists, and others who will "seek God and He will give them rest on all sides, and they will build and have success."*
- *Pray that "rest on every side and prosperity" do not overshadow the main value—God as a Person. May He always come first*

DAY 19

Dreams of Revival

RUTH BETHANY

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I'VE READ BOOKS about the outpouring of God's Spirit in the Hebrides Islands and listened to podcasts dedicated to praying for revival. I've watched Instagram Reels of mass baptisms happening on various college campuses. Most recently, I've heard testimonies from those who were at Asbury University during the multiweek outpouring of prayer, holy tears of repentance, and continuous worship. *Yet, I haven't witnessed revival with my own eyes.*

So why am I deeply burdened to pray for revival and invite you to pray with me today? In part, it's due to a dream.

Four years ago, I had an incredibly vivid dream. In it, someone was showing me a map of my nation. As this person highlighted the map to me, they pointed out a "wave of revival" coming from the North moving down throughout the rest of the nation. While watching this "wave of revival" move southward, it suddenly stopped directly above the city where I live. I then began to weep in the dream and as I wept,

I started repeatedly declaring, "God, You're going to do it! You're going to bring revival!"

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— ACTS 2:17

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In His mercy, God used this dream to awaken me to spiritual realities in motion: *an outpouring of His Spirit has begun, but the outpouring isn't complete.* The dream not only provoked me to pray for revival in my nation, but to *actually believe* God is both able to bring revival and genuinely desires to do so. It became an open invitation from the Lord to pray into what He is doing and believe Him for what has yet to happen.

I share this dream with you now so that God, by His Spirit, may ignite within you this same burden to pray for the outpouring of His Spirit or to encourage you to keep praying for this outpouring! An outpouring not bound to my nation, but for campuses all across the world!

I believe we are seeing “first fruit” signs of revival through all that is currently happening on the soil of universities. May these signs increase our faith and encourage us all the more to pray, believing we are *at the precipice* of an even greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit for the eternal glory of Jesus Christ!

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Jesus, we declare You are worthy of revival!***
- ***Father, pour out Your Spirit, awakening us to Your desires and purposes.***
- ***Jesus, ignite within us a persevering spirit to seek Your face as we trust You to bring revival throughout the whole world for Your glory!***

DAY 20

Byron is the founder/president of OneCry Global Ministries.

IT WAS MATTHEW HENRY who said, “When God is about to extend great mercy toward His people, He first sets them to prayer.” For many years, I wondered if I could slightly modify that proclamation. If so, I would simply substitute two words: “When God is about to extend great mercy toward His people, He first sets *college students* to prayer.”

Think with me about the great movements and stirrings of God in revival during the past 120 years.

In 1904-05, the **Welsh Revival** was sparked by Evan Roberts while he was a student in his 20s. It triggered revivals in several other countries, including the United States.

It was 1970 when the famed **Asbury Revival** began. It spread to many other college campuses throughout the nation. Jeannine Brabon was a student who began a 30-minute prayer meeting before each chapel and then launched an all-night

**“LORD, DO IT AGAIN. AND,
LORD, BEGIN YOUR WORK
IN ME.”**

**“... for now is the
time to seek the
Lord, that he may
come and shower
righteousness upon
you.”**

— HOSEA 10:12

prayer meeting. During one of those prayer meetings, she sensed the “glory of God” and knew God was coming to her campus. Jeannine obeyed and prayed—and the rest is an amazing history.

In 1995, my phone rang. The voice on the other end told me I needed to go to **Wheaton College** immediately. That night, I found myself sitting in the balcony of the packed auditorium. I suddenly realized I was in the midst of a campus-shaking revival. Not surprisingly, it was preceded by students crying out in prayer, “Do it again!”—referencing previous movements on their campus.

Of course, none of us will ever forget the recent move of God that began with students at Asbury University recently. The

fire fell—and I raced to witness the fire. Many of us saw it. The smoke is still on our clothes, and it will be forever. Our longing to see God do it one more time will keep us seeking—until He comes.

What if God not only hears the seeking hearts of college students this upcoming Collegiate Day of Prayer, *but what if He chooses* to descend upon every college campus on that day? Or *what if* God

descended upon just one campus and it spread to others week after week for months, and even years to come? *AND what if you are blessed* to be a part of a prayer meeting-turned-historical movement?

Lord, You are the Great Reviver. We seek You now. Lord, do it again. And, Lord, begin Your work in me.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Help me, Lord, to seek You as the Reviver of my soul—no substitutes (Psalm 85:6).***
- ***Help me, Lord, to seek You now—with urgency in my heart (Hosea 10:12).***
- ***Help me, Lord, to seek You—until You come with Your manifest presence (2 Chronicles 7:14).***



DAY 21

Rise Up, Revivalists!

SARAH BREUEL

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SOME YEARS AGO, I came across a story of a couple of people who were *all in* for God, and it changed my life. This story is found in a pivotal moment for the people of God, who had been wandering in the desert after God had brought them out of Egypt. God asked Moses to set aside 12 leaders to go into the promised land and spy it out for 40 days. Ten spies reported back that the giants in the land were too big. But Caleb and Joshua reported that God is bigger than those giants!

May I suggest that we live in a similar moment for Christianity on college campuses in Europe? So many are saying that the giants in Europe are huge! The wave of secularization is overwhelming. We as the Church in Europe are too small.

Yet, in the midst of this daunting task, God is looking for Calebs and Joshuas who will rise up and believe that God is bigger than these giants. So many people focus on how powerful Goliath is, but God is looking for Davids who are willing to throw some strategic stones.

Many say Christianity in Europe is dead. Well, we serve a God who happens to be in

“But my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly.”

— NUMBERS 14:13

the resurrection business! He has the power to revive Europe. Some say Europe is post-Christian. I believe Europe is actually pre-revival!

Caleb is described five times in Scripture as following God wholeheartedly (Numbers 14:24; Deuteronomy 1:36; Joshua 14:8, 9, 14). Friends, God is not looking for heroes. God is looking for those who will follow Him wholeheartedly—who are *all in* for Jesus! Do not underestimate what God can do with a heart fully given to Him

Are there any Calebs and Joshuas who can see their own college campuses through the eyes of faith? Rise up, Calebs! Rise up, Joshuas and those who follow Jesus wholeheartedly! Rise up, revivalists!

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray that God will raise up Calebs and Joshuas on university campuses, ready to follow Him wholeheartedly.***
- ***Pray that a wave of personal and corporate repentance will wash over university campuses across the earth.***
- ***Pray that God will breathe fires of revival among students throughout Europe and the world.***



DAY 22

George is the producer of the award-winning Transformations video series and The Moving Cloud streaming channel—a mix of weekly stories, interviews, and teaching that remind us Presence Changes Everything!

WHEN I ARRIVED in the city of Cali, Colombia, in the late 1990s, I'm not sure anyone could have prepared me for what I was to experience. I had heard the reports of remarkable spiritual developments impacting the infamous drug stronghold—they were, in fact, my principal reason for being there—but the reality on the ground rapidly overwhelmed every expectation I had brought with me.

Five distinct memories from my sojourn in the city came to define not only the experience itself, but more importantly, my understanding of revival. The assumptions I had arrived with—namely that spiritual awakenings were relatively rare religious occurrences confined largely to the orbit of church gatherings—were soon replaced by something far more revolutionary.

My first encounter took place in a neighborhood café on the way in from the airport. As a local host briefed our film crew on God's dealings in the city, I couldn't help but overhear similar conversations taking place at tables throughout the café. When I interrupted my host to ask about this, he simply smiled and replied: "Welcome to Cali."

Two days later, I was in a television broadcast studio interviewing the city's leading

**"AND FROM THAT DAY THE
NAME OF THE CITY WILL
BE: THE LORD IS THERE."**

—EZEKIEL 48:35, ESV

news anchor about remarkable changes sweeping the community—including the fall of the world's most powerful drug lords. The conversation was electric and eclipsed all sense of time. When I finally did check my watch, it triggered a jolt of adrenaline. The evening newscast was set to go live in five minutes! A cool three million viewers would be waiting, but there was not a cameraman, audio engineer, or floor director in sight! Hearing a slight cough, I craned my neck around to see the entire production staff squeezed in behind us. Many wept as they were caught up in the wondrous details of God's visitation in their city.

The next morning I stood on the steps of a warehouse-like church that had been growing at a rate of 1,000 new members per month—for 40 consecutive months! Amazed by this growth, I pressed one of the elders to explain how this was possible. Pointing to an enclosed area within the cavernous facility he said: "That is our prayer center. People are groaning before

the Lord 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It never stops.”

Dissatisfied with this answer, I tried again. “That’s wonderful,” I said. “But tell me about your programs. How have you managed to attract such crowds?” What followed was a transformative moment. Looking at me with a piteous expression, the old man replied: “We don’t have time for programs. We are too busy bringing the nets into the boat. God is hovering over our city. Every day our members are approached by at least six individuals asking how they might be saved.”

Whatever was happening in the city was happening everywhere. Walk into any café, park, bus, news studio, business office, school, home, or church—you simply could not escape it. This pervasive “thickness” as I have since come to know, is a hallmark of a genuine visitation. It has nothing to do with programs, and cannot be apprehended intellectually. Rather, it is something that is *felt*. It is about *Presence*.

How, I wondered, is such an atmosphere welcomed into a community? What exactly does it mean to prepare the way of the Lord?

I will never forget having this conversation with Ruth Ruibal on a hill above her home on the outskirts of Cali. Looking at me through eyes that had seen a lot, Ruth insisted there were four primary catalysts: prayer, fasting, repentance, and unity—none of which were present in any meaningful way in the years prior to Cali’s breakthrough.

Dominated by pride, unforgiveness, and slander, the city’s ministerial alliance was so divided it had become, in the words of one former leader, “a box of files that nobody wanted.” On the verge of quitting,

Ruth’s husband Julio instead decided to embark on a 40-day fast during which he would pray for God to restore his love for his fellow pastors. God met him in a remarkable way, reminding him he did not have the right to be offended.

A few days later Julio was gunned down by a paid assassin as he headed to an afternoon meeting with other ministers. The tragedy sent shockwaves throughout the city, and in particular the ministerial alliance. Although God was not responsible for these events, He was quick to redeem them. At Julio’s memorial service, hundreds of estranged pastors signed a covenant of unity promising that they would no longer allow things to come between them.

In the weeks that followed, unified prayer rose across the city, energizing a move of God that would be talked about for decades. It was a glorious spectacle, but one many have found difficult to duplicate.

The challenge is as misunderstood as it is common. As important as unity is to the cause of revival, it cannot be sought for its own sake. It comes only as the byproduct of humility.

My final memory from Cali, one that will be forever etched in my brain, is that of a throng of 3,000 people shaking the steel gates of the Pascual Guerrero stadium and shouting, “Let us in! Let us in!” Some will assume these energetic folks were clamoring for access to a political rally or a weekend soccer match. They would be wrong. The hour was 4:00 a.m., and the only thing motivating this crowd was a passionate desire to join their fellow believers in repentance at the end of an all-night prayer vigil.

Rarely, if ever, had I witnessed such hunger

for the presence of God. It was truly a community at prayer. With each agonized petition, Cali's legacy as an exporter of death was being transformed into a model of hope and healing.

Julio Ruibal often declared, "I am immortal until I have done the last thing God has purposed for me." It was not false bravado.

Julio lived fearlessly not in the absence of death threats, but in spite of them. Like Jesus, he had come to embrace the confidence that comes in letting go.

"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (John 12:24, ESV).

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Ask the Lord to give you opportunities to replace your imaginations about transforming revival with actual memories.***
- ***Ask God to increase your appetite for those things that are proven to attract His attention, favor, and presence.***
- ***Pray that God would grant you the courage to let go of anything that would hinder His purposes in your life and campus community.***

DAY 23

On All Flesh, On Every Generation AMAZING GRACE CRUZ

Amazing works with orphans through Kingdom Kids ministry in India

IN THE LAST DAYS, God will pour out His Spirit on all flesh, from young to the old. Those who seek will find Him. A generation transformed by prayer will meet God.

A handful of children between the ages of 5-15 years in the southern part of India were rescued from religious prostitution (they had to engage in sexual relations with men to please their gods). Their community would often say, "You can come, give my children free food and education, but never share the gospel."

One year into the rescue program, the 45 children who didn't have their fathers due to religious customs had heard about Jesus. Every morning they would wake up to pray for an hour on their knees with their hands lifted. If you heard these prayers, it often meant, "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus." They didn't have fancy theological words to pray. Their prayers were simple and heartfelt, yet powerful.

These children started prayer walking their villages and would say, "Jesus, bless them. Amen." Families and temple priests started experiencing supernatural encounters. Now, instead of going to their gods when they needed to be prayed over at birthdays, funerals, or for the purchase of a bike/cycle, they would come to these children and ask for prayer. Over four years, in eight villages, prostitution was reduced to

"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy."

— ACTS 2:17-18

less than five percent. Temple priests gave their lives to Christ and renamed the mountain of their gods to be a "House of Prayer" mountain.

Prayer can transform every generation, campus, city, family and even your friends. The key to seeing your people groups transformed is having faith as simple as

these children and seeking transformation on our knees. Every time I meet with our Children House of Prayers from various regions globally, I'm reminded of two things that consistently bring alignment:

1. It's not about grand prayers but consistent prayer. Children from our HOPs

gather daily and weekly to seek and ask the Lord for His move.

2. It's about the simplicity of their hearts. "Lord, let not my will but Yours be done." We can approach the Lord by simply asking, "What do You have for us, Lord?"

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray that God will create in you a pure heart. Ask Him to renew a steadfast spirit in you.***
- ***Pray that your desires will align with God's will.***
- ***Pray for an outpouring of the Spirit on all generations, especially the sons and daughters***

DAY 24

Colin and Melissa Piper are part of the Nxt Move global community praying and working to see the trajectory of Christianity changed in this rising generation.

UP HERE ON the edge of northwest Scotland, we look out from our lounge window across a stretch of water called The Minch. When the weather gets rough in the Atlantic, ships sneak through, sheltered from the storm by the islands behind. It's always been that way. The Celtic missionaries sailed down here to take the gospel across Europe, and for the Puritans this was their first leg on an epic journey to the new world. On our long summer days, the sun will finally set over these islands, known as the Outer Hebrides. We'll watch them go bright red as though they were on fire—as indeed they were, 75 years ago, when the fire of the Lord came in power.

Between 1949 and 1952, revival swept through the Hebrides, transforming the lives of thousands of people. Repentant souls came to Christ, the established church was awakened, and communities fell to their knees as they experienced the outpouring of God's Spirit. The Hebridean revival is considered one of the most famous revivals in Scottish history with countless testimonies of how God's presence gripped the islands and set hearts aflame, focused on eternal realities. As you read the miraculous stories, you can't help wondering how it began in such an unlikely isolated corner off the British

“I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods on the dry ground.”

— ISAIAH 44:3 (NKJV)

coast. Well, it all started with two very elderly sisters, one blind and one crippled, who believed and trusted in their awesome God.

Peggy and Christine Smith, burdened by the state of the church and their community, set their hearts to pray for revival, holding firm to God's promise: “I will pour water upon him that is thirsty and floods on the dry ground.” They pleaded this promise day and night until Peggy had a vision that revival was coming imminently. The sisters called for their minister and plans were set in motion to prepare for the harvest. On 13 December 1949, God fulfilled His promise and His presence was powerfully encountered across the islands.

We too are invited to stand on His promises which are the words of eternal life. He calls us to boldly approach Him in prayer to seek the fulfillment of His desire that none should perish, but all come to repen-

tance (2 Peter 3:9). Peggy and Christine saw the world through the heart of God and trusted Him to fulfill His promises. Their unwavering belief in His Word

changed the face of the Hebrides—and generations today remain eternally grateful for their faith-filled prayers to a faithful God.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Stand today on God's promises for your loved ones, college, church, community, and nation.***
- ***Pray that God will show you the needs of the world and give you specific Scriptures to pray until you see breakthroughs for His glory.***
- ***Pray that He will show you how to prepare for all He will do in answer to your prayers.***

DAY 25

Prayer Can Bring Change

JURIE KRIEL

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PRAYER HAS THE POWER to change our lives, but only when we truly understand its essence. It is not merely about believing in God; it's about believing in the power of prayer itself. Many Christians pray without the conviction that God will not only hear but also answer their prayers. When we believe in the transformative power of prayer, our approach to it shifts, and this shift can lead to profound changes in our lives.

Prayer is not a magic wand to grant wishes nor a tool to manipulate God's will. True prayer is a surrender of our desires, an invitation for God to align our lives with His perfect plan. Prayer is not a vending machine where we insert our requests and receive instant gratification. Rather, it's a pathway to a deeper relationship with God, a journey of seeking His will and aligning our hearts with His.

Prayer is a sacred conversation with our Creator—a channel to express our deepest thoughts and emotions, and a quiet space to listen to His still, small voice. Prayer is a posture of surrender—a humble acknowledgment of God's sovereignty and an earnest plea for His guidance, forgiveness, and help.

Prayer is a bridge to a more profound connection with the Divine—an opportunity to experience His boundless love and peace,

“THE EFFECTIVE, FERVENT PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN AVAILS MUCH”

—JAMES 5:16B (NKJV)

and to nurture the growth of our faith.

Prayer is also a catalyst for change. It has the power to transform our circumstances, but only when fueled by faith, belief, trust, and unwavering expectation. Without these elements, prayer becomes a hollow ritual. Fervent, passionate prayer, offered with a sincere heart and expectant faith, can move mountains.

And prayer changes us from the inside out. It aligns our hearts with God's, reshaping our perspectives, attitudes, and even our very identity. It elevates our vision, enabling us to see the world through His eyes. And as we are transformed, so too is the world around us.

Prayer is a transformative force that can reshape our lives. Let us approach prayer with unwavering faith, believing that God hears us and has the ability to change us—and the things we pray for.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for a spiritual awakening, that we may recognize the urgent need to be present with God in prayer.***
- ***Pray for an increase in faith, that we may see the world as God sees it.***
- ***Pray that personal transformation will be a catalyst for transformation in the world.***



DAY 26

David is the founder of Awaken the Dawn.

AS YOUNG PEOPLE across the earth find their voices for lasting change, Jesus Christ is building a counter-cultural generation. But His primary mechanism for change is surprising to many. According to Jesus, your voice with God in prayer will bring justice quickly. Justice is when wrong things are made right, and there are quite a few issues of injustice that God cares deeply about—more than even the most vocal among us. But perhaps the greatest injustice is that millions in this generation do not know Jesus as He is and are groping in blindness in a search for reality.

But we don't just see the bleakness of our situation. Through all the darkness, can you visualize what God wants to do in universities around the world? Can you see a great spiritual awakening sweeping campuses and the nations, including your campus or community? Can you give this voice in prayer?

Things are not supposed to stay the way they are. And the great news is that they don't have to. You have a groan of prayer in your heart. As you give it voice and refuse to relent, God's dreams will come on earth just like they are in heaven. Your voice has more power than you have any idea.

A woman named Hannah lived in ancient Israel. She was barren and passionately longed for a son. Despite her barrenness, she did more than wallow in self-pity or

***“And will not God
give justice to his
elect, who cry to
him day and night?
Will he delay long
over them? I tell
you, he will give
justice to them
speedily.”***

— LUKE 18:7-8 (ESV)

anger. She knew she had a recourse. She let her voice come before God in prayer for justice—for her barrenness to end.

One day in the temple, the high priest Eli thought she was drunk because she was praying so passionately for God to give her a son. Do you know what God did in response to this kind of prayer? He didn't just give her a son—He gave her Samuel, the greatest prophet of her entire generation. When was your last passionate prayer like this? Why did you cry out?

Like Hannah, young and old are arising with the prayer: “We want the sons and daughters of this generation, and we are going to lift our voice until something supernatural happens!”

PRAYER POINTS

“Father, I ask You for the campuses of my nation. I ask You for justice to come and for this generation to be awakened to see You as You truly are. Open the eyes of my campus and community. Send a great move of the Holy Spirit in this generation. In Jesus’ name, amen.”



DAY 27

Sold Out, Walking Revivals WAYNE ATCHENSON

*Wayne is the senior ambassador and historian of the Billy Graham Library and Archive Center and the author of *The Asbury Revival: When God Used Students to Wake a Nation*.*

THE IMPACT of the 1970 Asbury Revival continues on 55 years later through the life and ministry of its prayer leader Jeannine Brabon. As a freshman in 1967 at Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky, God spoke to Jeannine that the campus needed revival, so she solicited the names of the 1,100 students, faculty, and staff—and started praying.

Along the way, she identified 36 students who engaged in the “John Wesley Great Experience” disciplines. They not only prayed and believed, but they expected Jesus to come—and He did in a chapel service in Hughes Auditorium on February 3, 1970. As it snowed outside, they prayed not for revival but that Jesus would come. And He came in all His glory! For seven days and nights God took over the campus. The revival then spread to 130 colleges, seminaries, and churches across America where students traveled to share their stories. It was one of the greatest campus revivals in American history.

As the daughter of missionary parents in South America, Jeannine graduated from Asbury in 1971 and went straight to the mission field in South America for two years, then to Spain for 16 years, and since 1989 has been a missionary in Colombia, South America. Jeannine was emptied of self, surrendered her life completely to God, and is perhaps one of the Kingdom’s greatest soul winners.

**“BEING CONFIDENT OF
THIS VERY THING, THAT
HE WHO HAS BEGUN A
GOOD WORK IN YOU
WILL COMPLETE IT
UNTIL THE DAY OF
JESUS CHRIST.”**

— PHILLIPIANS 1:16

Since 2019, she has kept a list of 6,000 people that she has led individually to Christ. She serves in prisons and on the streets in Medellin. One approach she uses is to ask for a person’s name, and then asks, “Is your name written in the Lamb’s book of life?” She then shares with them the biblical meaning of their names. For instance, “Your name means joy. Would you like to have joy in your heart every day and forever?” Jeannine gives them the pamphlet “How To Walk With Christ” and follows up with a Bible. According to Jeannine, “It is the Holy Spirit that draws people to Christ. You just open your mouth. The

Holy Spirit will do supernatural work.”

During the 2023 Asbury outpouring, Jeannine came from South America and walked straight to the altar and prayed with students and people from across the world. She spent her 75th birthday on September 19, 2024, at the Billy Graham Library in

Charlotte with me and others who had read her Asbury story in *Asbury Revival: When God Used Students to Wake a Nation* that I wrote in 2021. Jeannine is a living “Revival Giant.” She says, “If you encounter me, you encounter Jesus.” May we all be walking revivals like Jeannine. She has no plans to retire.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Father, reveal Your heart to this young generation - Your presence, power and love visible for all to see!***
- ***Jesus, send another great revival that will touch the college campuses, for the sake of Your name.***
- ***Holy Spirit, raise up a generation of “walking revivals” that will burn with a passion for souls to be saved!***

DAY 28

Adi serves with Cru Romania in the FamilyLife ministry and leads the Re:generation project. His mission is to strengthen families and inspire spiritual renewal, helping others build faith-centered lives and communities.

THE 1990S BROUGHT an unexpected spiritual openness to Romania—a deep hunger for God and the truth of His Word. After decades of Communist censorship, people finally had free access to the Bible and religious literature. Churches became places where the Word was fresh and powerful. Missionaries and Christian workers boldly began to sow the seed of God’s Word. Romania, at that time, was a fertile land for the Gospel, and we were witnesses to a spiritual revival.

My life was profoundly shaped by this vibrant atmosphere. As a student, I bought my first Bible after a conversation with two Cru missionaries. What followed was a year full of questions. But gradually, I came to realize that God is real and Jesus Christ is truly who He claimed to be. I received Jesus into my heart in that dorm room. Like me, many other students became Christians during that time when the Gospel was preached daily, discussions about the Bible and faith were common, and Bible study groups were found in every dormitory.

I joined others in sharing the Gospel and witnessed the transformation of many students’ lives. Some of them are missionaries today. But even back then, we had a deep concern for the salvation of those around

“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.”

— HEBREWS 11:6

us. We lifted up prayers for personal sanctification and for the fulfillment of the Great Commission in our generation.

During a time of fasting and prayer, I ended up in a city through a set of unusual circumstances. I had to walk across from one end to the other, and during my journey, I felt a strong prompting to pray for open doors for the Gospel in that town. After some time, I was overjoyed to learn that a large number of people had attended a screening of the film *Jesus*, with a significant number of conversions.

God’s call remains the same: we are not to live for ourselves, but to let Him live through us. He is dedicated to seeking and saving the lost. May God strengthen our hearts and use us for His glory, making us witnesses of His work in our generation!

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray for spiritual revival. Let us ask God to ignite a deep desire in our hearts to know Him more intimately and to take the Gospel further: “You are the light of the world” (Matthew 5:14).*
- *For courage in faith. Let us pray for strength to remain steadfast in the face of challenges: “The Lord is my strength” (Psalm 28:7).*
- *For opportunities to testify. Let us pray that God will provide opportunities to share our faith and grant us wisdom: “Pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message” (Colossians 4:3).*

DAY 29

Never Give Up STEVE SHADRACH

Steve is the Founder of Center for Mission Mobilization (now Via) and has served as Mobilization Director for the US Center for World Mission. He lives with his family in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

MIKE WAS A fun-loving partier like a number of my college fraternity brothers. We spent many star-filled nights on the roof of our chapter house talking about our lives, dreams—and his soul. He knew he wasn't a Christian, but he promised that if he did come to Christ, I would be the first to know. Never in my life have I been more burdened to intercede for someone's salvation—late nights and early mornings on my knees crying out to God on Mike's behalf. I was absolutely sure the Lord was going to redeem his soul. "The love of Christ" controlled my prayers.

One afternoon I was horrified to hear someone running through the hallways screaming, "Mike's been killed in a wreck!" I staggered to my knees and sobbed. I could not believe it. The Lord had promised me! In total denial, I couldn't speak, eat, or sleep. I wandered around campus in a daze for three nights, hurling heartfelt accusations at God.

**"GOD HAD KEPT HIS
PROMISE TO ME. NEVER
AGAIN WOULD I GIVE UP ON
ANYONE."**

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***"For the love of Christ
controls us . . ."***

- 2 Corinthians 5:14a (ESV)

Then a fraternity brother knocked on my door. With tear-filled eyes, he told me what happened to Mike. They had gone to the lake to smoke marijuana when a minister engaged them in a spiritual conversation. Mike became so convicted he prayed to receive Christ. He immediately got up, threw his drugs in the water, and said, "Let's go. I've got to tell Shad."

As he drove back, a speeding car rounded a curve in Mike's lane. He had an instantaneous decision. Rather than hit the car head on and risk killing *everyone*, he chose to sacrifice his own life by turning his vehicle off a steep dropoff. The full weight of Mike's car crushed him.

I instantly envisioned my friend in heaven. He was saved! Mike was with Jesus. God *had* kept His promise to me. Never again would I give up on anyone. I would continue laboring in prayer for his or her salvation, sharing the gospel, and laying my life down. This is what 2 Corinthians 5:14 truly means: "For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died."

PRAYER POINTS

- *Go into your prayer closet and labor in prayer for the campuses near you. Intercede for specific students to come to Christ (Matthew 6:6; Mark 1:35).*
- *Ask God to raise up laborers for the harvest (Luke 10:2).*
- *Believe God for worldwide student movements of great harvest (John 4:35).*

DAY 30

“For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.”

—ROMANS 8:14-17 (ESV)

Zach is a friend, encourager, author of Lower, and pastor-in-residence at Asbury University.

WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE if on every university and college campus, students were fully convinced that they were beloved, delighted in as children, and adopted by God through the cross—and that they share in all of His benefits? How might the campuses be different?

I am spoiled to have three daughters, and a beautiful truth about children is that they rely on their father and “don’t know any better” for what they ask. My daughter Eden never shies away from asking for things—Shake Shack for dinner for the second night in a row, bath bombs, new shoes, or whatever. She is child-like; she does not know better. If we are convinced of our belovedness and adoption, how might we ask our Father differently?

In Luke 18, the disciples, thinking that

they “knew better,” denied children access to Jesus. This led to correction and instructions that these children had something Jesus’ apprentices did not. In fact, the disciples would need to become like children to enter into the Kingdom of God. Many times when it comes to prayer, especially in arenas that seem difficult or hard, we lose our child-like awe, wonder, and faith. We pray for and expect tamed and “grown-up” things.

But what if the university students understood their belovedness? What if college campuses were baptized with the Spirit of adoption. How would we act differently, pray differently, worship differently, and encounter God differently?

An awakened campus is a university or college fully convinced of their belovedness as children of God.

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray for your own awareness of this biblical truth of your own belovedness. Ask how God wants that to impact and inform the way you pray for your campus and friends.*
- *Contend in prayer against the things on your campus that “steal” students’ child-likeness and cause them to “know better” and lose their faith.*
- *Pray for God to move, pouring out His Spirit and convincing love on campuses so that students understand they are truly children of God and can live in that freedom.*



DAY 31

The Two Faces of Revival

DAVID SMITHERS

David serves as a host facilitator at the Riverside Prayer Ranch and a pastor/teacher at the Christian Assembly in Pomona, California.

WHEN GOD WANTS to awaken a sleeping church and rescue a lost world, He loves to use the younger generation! Throughout the centuries, God has repeatedly raised up the humble and least experienced among us to accomplish His greatest works. Most of the great revivalists and missionaries throughout history have been young men and women in their 20s. New challenges and changes often require the strength of a new generation of revival pioneers.

Nevertheless, revival is never just about one group or generation. A careful study of Church history reveals that the promises of Joel 2 are always fulfilled in every great revival: “Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days” (Joel 2:28-29).

Yes, there are two different faces of revival—two generations working together to pray and prepare the way for a fresh visitation of God. Like the covenant friendship of Ruth and Naomi or the united faith of Elizabeth and the virgin Mary, God loves to birth revival through the blending of different generations. My favorite example is the multi-generational partnership found in Exodus 17:8-15. The Amalekites are threatening the children of Israel, and Moses calls up the young leader Joshua to assemble an army to defeat the enemies of God. This

***“He will turn the hearts
of the fathers to the
children, and the hearts
of the children to their
fathers, lest I come and
strike the earth with
a curse.”***

— MALACHI 4:6 (NKJV)

is the first time Joshua is mentioned in the Scriptures. He would go on to lead God’s people through countless battles of faith and eventually become the successor of Moses.

Most of us know the story of Moses and the older generation heading up the mountain top to watch and pray for Joshua’s army as they fought in the valley below. Soon, as Moses’ hands of prayer grew weak, the Amalekites grew strong and prevailed against Joshua. But with the support of Aaron and Hur, Moses persevered in prayer until Joshua and his young army defeated their enemies.

This is what *united* and *focused* prayer can do! This is why the younger generation *needs* the fervent prayers of their fathers, mothers, grandparents, and church lead-

ers. The victory of one generation is tied to the faith and prayers of another generation. God's Kingdom is advanced from

generation to generation. We need one another's prayers to finish well. True *family* is still the best way to true *revival*.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Ask God to help you recognize your need for the gifts and insights of others.***
- ***Ask God to help you plan and work like a true family.***
- ***Ask for the help and prayers of your fathers and mothers.***

ACTION STEPS TOWARD GENERATIONAL UNITY

by Vicky Porterfield

Vicky is a city prayer leader in Austin, Texas while serving as a spiritual mom and decades-long intercessor for college students.

As we pray and ask the Lord for a visitation of Jesus, let us be mindful that it will take all of us. Old and young must hold hands while men and women join together and ask God to come in a powerful way. We want to experience the glory of God in our midst, so we must go beyond our own group and join with others who are not like us. Grab hold of your parents and their prayers for you. Believe God with those who have prayed for decades like Anna in the temple. Unite for the coming of the Lord!

- *Ask the Lord for a person of a different age to be your spiritual parent or son/daughter. Then approach him or her and ask for a time to meet and pray with one another.*
- *Call a parent or a son/daughter and agree that Jesus Christ has come and wants to do miracles in your midst. Combine your faith as you pray for revival and awakening among your friends. (Note: most parents and grandparents long for the day they can pray with you. Expect to learn from each other.)*
- *Continually bless younger and older Christians who love Jesus like you do.*

DAY 32

Henry serves with Great Commission Movement of Ghana as the National Student Led Movement leader.

THIS PASSAGE CAPTURES Caleb's wholehearted devotion to God throughout his life. In Numbers 13, Moses, under God's command, sent leaders from the 12 tribes to explore the promised land of Canaan. They all received the same instructions: to scout the land and bring back a report that would prepare the Israelites to possess the land God had promised them. However, the report brought by ten of the leaders was filled with fear and doubt, which caused the entire community to weep and despair.

But Caleb, a young leader at the time, displayed remarkable confidence and courage. As the people were overwhelmed with fear, Caleb boldly tried to calm them. "Let's go at once to take the land," he said. "We can certainly conquer it!" (Numbers 13:30). Caleb's confidence was not in his own strength but in the promises of God, recalling the covenant God made with Abraham.

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"BUT MY BROTHERS WHO WENT WITH ME FRIGHTENED THE PEOPLE FROM ENTERING THE PROMISED LAND. FOR MY PART, I WHOLEHEARTEDLY FOLLOWED THE LORD MY GOD."

— JOSHUA 14:8 (NLT)

Despite the opposition and fear around him, Caleb stood firm, choosing to wholeheartedly follow the Lord.

Fast-forward to Caleb's old age, at 85 years, as he stood before Joshua and reaffirmed his wholehearted devotion to God. In Joshua 14:10-11, Caleb declared, "I am as strong now as I was when Moses sent me on that journey, and I can still travel and fight as well as I could then." This was not just physical strength but a testament to his spiritual resilience and faith in God.

Similarly, Prof. Dela (Global Vice President of Cru) once said in tribute to late Steve Douglass, "In my 60s, I thought of slowing down with ministry, but Steve encouraged

me that we die with our boots on.” Caleb’s life challenges both the young college students and the old to wholeheartedly follow the Lord our God.

Today, we strive toward building movements of students transformed by the Spirit and sent as lifelong disciplemakers who will impact every sphere of society

and the world for Christ. May we be inspired by Caleb’s wholehearted devotion! Let us commit to following the Lord with undivided hearts, confident that His promises are true and steadfast. Whether young or old, let us press on with strength, courage, and unwavering faith, declaring like Caleb, “We are well able to overcome it!”

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for the young generation, especially college students, to commit to wholeheartedly following the Lord, staying rooted in His Word, and standing firm in their faith amidst life’s challenges.***
- ***Pray for an awakening among Christian students to boldly possess every campus for Christ and for breakthroughs in reaching even the most spiritually resistant campuses around the world.***
- ***Pray that students will discover God’s purpose for their lives, grow in their faith, and shine as lights in their campuses, preparing to impact every sphere of society and every nation for Christ.***

DAY 33

Love One Another DAVID & AUDRY KIM

David and Audry Kim give leadership to Contend Global. They also serve as directors of the SAFA school.

JONATHAN EDWARDS wrote that one of the great evidences of true revival is that the heart's affections are warmed towards God. This is the primary aim of revival because it is the primary command of all of Scripture: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind" (Luke 10:27). Jesus declares that the second greatest commandment, however, is "to love your neighbor as you love yourself" (Matt. 22:39). Or, as He defined it later during the Last Supper, "to love one another as I have loved you."

Words fail to describe this kind of brotherly love. Our highest ecumenical efforts, our unions, and our networks on our campuses—great as they are—are infantile compared to this kind of love. This kind of love does not have unity as its goal—*it has love as its goal*. And this kind of love is the *only path to true unity*. This kind of love has love for God and His Lordship and His Word as its highest priority, and thus is the only kind of love that produces true *agape* love towards our brothers and sisters. This kind of love thinks nothing of self, agenda, or gain, for it "does not seek its own." This is the kind of love that will be the fabric of the Church in the age to come.

"I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples: if you have love for one another."

— JOHN 13:34-35 (NASB)

This kind of love is born in a manger. This kind of love hid an eternal crown to bring other sons to glory. This kind of love, though God, became a man for all of eternity. This kind of love washed the feet of His disciples—even the one who would betray Him. This kind of love did not come to be served but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many. It is not the world's definition of love: the cheap, humanistic version of tolerance and selfish kindness. It is His definition of love: "for God so loved the world that He gave His only Son" (John 3:16).

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray for believers to love one another as God loves us.*
- *Pray for love to abound between campus ministries, churches, leadership, and believers on campus.*
- *“Father, we ask that You give us the love that You have for us, for one another. We confess our bitterness, comparison, criticism, and our general negligence towards one another. We confess that we cannot love one another as we ought. Lord, produce it in us in these days of fasting and praying. Do a supernatural work in Your Body on our campuses. Let this kind of love abound among the brethren! Jesus, we ask that Your love would transcend racial barriers, denominational lines, and movements. For Your Name, amen.”*

DAY 34

Steve works with WayMakers, a mission and prayer mobilization ministry.

WE'VE BECOME ACCUSTOMED to prayer gatherings in which we pray for needs or problems that some of us may be facing. There's nothing wrong with this; God cares about everything in our lives. But God is doing something different and greater than helping us through difficulties. For many generations God has been promising and then unfolding His purposes among every people and place. I'm convinced that God is about to do some of the most astounding, ginormous, and beautiful things that He has ever done.

Of course, God can do anything without anyone praying, but He delights to act in keeping with what His people have been praying. Why? I think hearing and responding to the prayers of His people is God's favorite way of being recognized, praised, and loved. We easily celebrate when we see God act in keeping with our prayers.

We have much to learn from the prayer movement that preceded Pentecost, often referred to "the upper room" (Acts 1:4). We misunderstand the upper room prayer gathering if we think that all they were praying for was for the outpouring of the Spirit. That was certainly part of what they expected, but they saw the giving of the Spirit as one marvelous part of a far greater fulfillment of all that God would ever do in all places and peoples.

"After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

— ACTS 4:31

We see them continue in organized and intentional ways. They gathered at the temple at particular hours. They gathered in homes with regularity and discipline (Luke 24:33, Acts 2:46). The upper room prayer movement was anything but a spasmodic series of crisis prayers. But when there was a crisis, they gathered again, praying, as they had before Pentecost, "with one accord" (Acts 4:24-31, NASB).

In this time of prayer, we see the upper room way demonstrated: They distinctly prayed from the Scriptures, worshiping God as He is described in the Psalm 146:6 (Acts 4:24), and then basing their appeal on what Psalm 2:1-2 revealed about God's purpose among all peoples (4:25-28). They basically asked God to keep on doing the great things He had promised long ago.

THE PASSION THAT SUSTAINED THEIR PRAYER

The account describes their praying as being “with one mind,” or as is sometimes translated, “with one accord.” The Greek word behind this expression is a fascinating word: *homothumadon*. It simply refers to sharing the same (*homo-*) passion (*-thumadon*, which has to do with zeal, desire, passion). The English word “enthusiasm” is built on the same word group as *homothumadon*.

Regrettably, some translations use a weak translation for *homothumadon*, only inserting the English word “together.” This translation fails to convey that they prayed with a great deal of common zeal, shared passion, and united mind. They weren’t just praying together. They were pursuing what God Himself had promised, confident that

whatever God had promised, He would certainly do, and do it soon. The entire story was all about global glory coming to the King of the Kingdom, “the Christ” Himself.

This was not a triumphalistic tale with a cheap happy ending. It involved drastic suffering for the Messiah and those who followed Him. But the story would culminate in the King of all the nations becoming known throughout all peoples (Luke 24:46-47). As the risen Jesus unfolded this epic story about His global Kingdom from the Scriptures, He “opened their minds to understand the Scriptures” (24:45). No wonder they realized that their “hearts were burning” with passion, confidence, and hope (24:32).

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Allow the risen Jesus to open your eyes, along with many others, to understand and to pray the Scriptures***
- ***Pray that He will find our hearts flammable to pray great things with yearning and hope.***
- ***Pray that God’s people will have a common zeal, shared passion, and united mind about the Kingdom.***

DAY 35

His Grace Will Complete It STEPHEN CHEY

Stephen is a pastor at New Creation Church in Seoul, Korea.

LIKE PETER, who received an overwhelming vision to be a fisher of men on the shore of Galilee, we too are called with a vision of revival to transform cities and nations. Yet, we are often far from prepared. Like Peter, we try our best to make it work, but we end up making mistakes and experiencing painful failures. This leads us to ask, “Am I truly worthy?”

The comforting truth is that as long as our partnership in Christ remains steadfast (Philippians 1:5), we can be confident that He who began a good work in us will bring it to completion. It is not our own effort but His grace that completes it. The good work He began is not primarily about bringing revival or leading many to salvation, but about our inner transformation to become more like Christ (1:9-11). This process humbles us and keeps us focused on becoming more like Christ, which is absolutely necessary to be used by God. When we are in despair, this verse touches and restores us, just as Jesus did for Peter in John 21:15-22. With this confidence, we can get back on track, knowing He will complete all His work in us.

Years ago, I too was in despair, needing to leave seminary due to opposition and obstacles. I thought everything was over—that I had failed in God’s purpose for me. One night, by His grace, I came across Steve Green’s song based on Philippians 1:6. I listened to it countless times, finding

“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

— PHILIPPIANS 1:6

peace in realizing that it’s not about seminary or revival but about becoming more like Christ—and that God will bring this to completion. Later, His grace opened a door for me to finish my studies, and during those years He led me to experiences that equipped me for the future. Through this journey, I came to see that it’s not my effort but His grace that prepares us.

We must trust His leadership in our lives. Sometimes our hearts must be broken, even shattered, so that we may experience His gentle touch that mends our hearts by His reviving grace. When we’re finally ready, God will pour out His Spirit upon us and we will receive the power of the Holy Spirit, manifesting through us as a united church. Together, we will witness revival in our time.

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for those who are weary or in despair to have confidence that God will bring the good work in them to completion.***
- ***Pray for the Church to focus on becoming like Christ in unity.***
- ***Pray that we, as a united Church, will be ready vessels for revival to reach campuses and nations.***



DAY 36

Milton is the youth pastor of New life Assembly of God Church in Hyderabad, India.

PRAYER BUILDS FOUNDATION. Spending time with God, listening to Him, and asking for His help form the foundation for serving Christ and fulfilling His purpose. What you do for God must flow out of your time with God. A real Christian witness must stem from a strong personal relationship with Jesus. This is developed through daily time in conversation with God and in the study of His Word.

PRAYER HELPS US TO KNOW GOD'S GUIDANCE. Prayer is conversation with God. In addition to spending time in His Word, prayer is the primary means by which we can get to know God and receive His guidance. It is also how we express our desires, concerns, and dependence on Him. Prayer is not how to get what we want in our lives; rather, it is how to get what God wants in our lives. That's how you gain His perspective and sense His direction in your life.

PRAYER PREPARES OTHERS TO KNOW CHRIST. Prayer certainly is a key to effectively reaching others with the message of Christ. Jesus said, "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him." It is not your presentation that will cause people to respond. It is the Holy Spirit's power that convinces people of the truth and turns their hearts towards faith in Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit does this work in response to the faithful prayers of Christians.

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone."

— COLOSSIANS 4:2-6

PRAYER PREPARES OTHERS TO PARTNER WITH US. When Jesus saw the multitude of people whose lives were being destroyed and had no hope, He made this request: "Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

The harvest is great in my corner of the world. South Asia has the largest share of the world's young people, with 48 percent of its population under the age of 24. Nearly 100,000 young people enter the job market daily, making it the largest youth labor force globally.

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray that the students will know the secret of success in reaching young people is through prayer—and that they will take time to pray.*
- *Pray that God will raise up many more young workers in the colleges for His Kingdom.*
- *Pray that every college will have campus fellowships.*



DAY 37

The Joy of Jesus JON HIETBRINK

Jon serves as a Vice President with InterVarsity/USA, is a co-founder of the EveryCampus coalition, and is the co-author of Reviving Mission: Awakening to the Everyday Movement of God.

“At that time, Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, ‘I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure. All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.’ Then he turned to his disciples and said privately, ‘Blessed are the eyes that see what you see.’”

— LUKE 10:21-23

AS GOOD AS IT IS to live lives of impact, the best part of following Jesus isn’t experiencing a life of purpose—it’s encountering a person.

Though this story starts with a broad, expansive frame—the 72 disciples returning to Jesus, surrounded by those who had been impacted by their ministry—as it continues, the focus narrows two different times. First, it narrows to Jesus “full of joy through the Holy Spirit” in the midst of the crowd—an arrestingly unique description found nowhere else in the whole of the Gospel record. Then, it narrows a second time when Luke says, “He turned to his disciples and said privately, ‘Blessed are the eyes that see what you see.’”

No doubt, the disciples saw and heard a lot in that moment. As they looked around they saw people who’d been healed by the power of God through their touch, trans-

formed by the truth of God articulated in their preaching, and delivered from darkness by the authority of God in their words. And yet, the passage suggests that the burgeoning movement swelling all around them was more secondary than primary—more background than foreground.

In the most immediate sense, what they saw and heard when Jesus spoke wasn’t the growing momentum of the crowd or the cohesive affection of their community. What they beheld when Jesus said, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see,” was the joyful face of Jesus—the image of the invisible God smiling back at them.

Indeed, it’s beholding the face of Jesus that is the end of our story: “The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads” (Revelation 22:3-4).

PRAYER POINTS

- *Ask Jesus to reveal His joy to you—that you would behold His joyful smile.*
- *Pray that God's people will live lives that are saturated with the joy of Jesus*
- *Pray that Jesus' joy will empower us—as everyday missionaries—to embody the Kingdom wherever we go!*

DAY 38

Jimmy, his wife Laura, and a group of friends founded Antioch Ministries International in 1987 and Antioch Community Church in 1999 in Waco, Texas.

AS I'VE REFLECTED In 1991, our team was in Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria, partnering with local college students during a time of spiritual revival following 70 years of communist rule. Each day we performed dramas, preached, and prayed for the sick, reaching hundreds who heard the gospel for the first time.

One evening, as I tried to wrap up our outreach around 5:00 p.m., a Bulgarian university student grabbed my shoulder and asked, "Where are you going?" She looked at me, tears rolling down her face. "Why are you in such a hurry when the people are so hungry for Jesus?"

Even as I share this, my heart is deeply moved. Her words drove me to my knees. "Please forgive me. I will stay," I responded. That night was one of our most powerful outreaches ever—Muslims found Jesus, sick bodies were healed, and entire families were transformed by the gospel.

This story reminds us that we're called to be witnesses for Jesus through the Holy Spirit's power in every situation—whether in dramatic moments like Bulgaria or daily

**"BUT YOU WILL RECEIVE
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THE EARTH."**

— ACTS 1:8

opportunities to share His love. People desperately need the hope found only in Jesus, who proclaimed, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Our campuses are filled with people who need Jesus. Today, let's ask the Holy Spirit to fill us anew, enabling us to be bold witnesses and proclaim His glory amidst people's pain and need.

PRAYER POINTS

- *Pray for the Holy Spirit's power to fill us and our friends, enabling bold proclamation of Jesus on our campuses (Acts 1:8)*
- *Pray for God's compassion to move us as we look upon the multitudes, inspiring us to preach, love, and proclaim Jesus (Matthew 9:35-38).*
- *Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, not just on individuals but on entire campuses, just as witnessed in Bulgaria. May revival come to our campuses today (Isaiah 64:1-4).*

DAY 39

Convergence of Missions of Prayer Movements **DICK EASTMAN**

Dick Eastman is president emeritus of Every Home for Christ, a ministry he led globally from 1988 to 2022. He is also a founding member and president of America's National Prayer Committee.

WHEN ASKED TO SHARE on the global convergence of prayer and missions movements with delegates from some 90 nations at the 2012 World Prayer Assembly in Jakarta, Indonesia, I was struck by something interesting about Ezekiel's picture of a healing river flowing out of God's Temple to the surrounding nations (see Ezekiel 47:1-9). Ezekiel actually pictured two streams that flowed from the Temple and became one powerful river that grew ever deeper as it was fed by those dual streams. The river's purpose is the healing of the nations. Matthew Henry, a leading theologian of his time (1662-1714), expressed, "These waters signal the gospel of Christ, which went forth from Jerusalem and spread into the countries about; also the gifts and powers of the Holy Ghost which accompanied it Christ is the Temple and He is the Door, from Him the living waters flow, out of His pierced side." Even if Matthew Henry's assumption is

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

— MATTHEW 9:38 (KJV)

"SEND US OUT ALL OVER THE WORLD SO THAT EVERYONE EVERYWHERE WILL DISCOVER YOUR WAYS AND KNOW WHO YOU ARE AND SEE YOUR POWER TO SAVE!"

— PSALM 67:2 (THE PASSION TRANSLATION)

viewed as merely symbolic, I couldn't help but think of the growing impact on the harvest of souls globally as the prayer and missions movements flow together in greater synergy and intensity in the days to come. The ministry I led for 34 years, Every Home for Christ, certainly has seen the impact of this convergence in dramatic ways with the building of an international headquarters (The Jericho Center) committed to mobilizing day and night worship-saturated prayer globally for the harvest.

The connection between prayer and missions is clearly seen in the words of Christ. Of course, most believers are familiar with

the Great Commission Christ gave the Church. In Matthew 28:19 Jesus said, “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost” (KJV). This is rightly called the Great Commission. It is our “Mission Mandate”!

However, 19 chapters earlier, Jesus declared what I refer to as the *Great Condition* to the Great Commission. In Matthew 9:37-38, Christ declares, “The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few;

Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest.” This is our “Prayer Mandate.” There can be no successful “Go ye therefore” without first having a powerful “*Pray ye therefore.*”

This is critical to mobilize the vast number of workers needed to gather in history’s great end-time harvest. This is why I have contended for years that *the degree to which prayer is mobilized will be the degree to which the world is evangelized.*

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray that God will raise up “prayer influencers” on every campus throughout the globe.***
- ***Pray that every campus will have a campus prayer room where students can gather daily for prayer.***
- ***Pray that many local churches will become involved in the Collegiate Day of Prayer throughout the earth.***

DAY 40

Jason is the director of International Prayer Connect, a global prayer network calling the nations to exalt Jesus through united prayer.

IN 1722, several persecuted Moravian families fled to East Germany and were blessed to build a small community on the estate of a wealthy aristocrat named Count Zinzendorf. Zinzendorf named this community Herrnhut, which means "the watch of the Lord." Zinzendorf had a passionate love for Christ, and as a college student he started seven prayer groups at his university!

After five years, this small Moravian community experienced a powerful visitation of the Holy Spirit on August 13, 1727. It was described as a "baptism of love" because God's love was shed abroad in their hearts and poured out in love for one another (Romans 5:5). While they had been divided before, now they were united in love, bearing one another's burdens, forgiving, honoring, and praying for one another as family.

During this revival season, the Lord spoke to Zinzendorf from Leviticus 6:13, that the "fire should never go out on the altar!" Because of the sacrifice of Christ, they should respond with unceasing night and day prayer and worship because of the absolute worth of Jesus. They were compelled to build a canopy of committed "hourly intercession" every day. This committed 24/7 prayer chain swept through the community and continued for more than 100 years!

***"Worthy is the Lamb
who was slain to
receive power and
riches and wisdom,
and strength and
honor and glory and
blessing!"***

— REVELATION 5:12 (NKJV)

For Zinzendorf and the Moravians, prayer was the conversational part of the most important love relationship in their lives. They were convinced from the Scriptures that God releases His power in response to the prayers of His people. The Moravians would pray around the throne, around the clock, and around the globe, asking the Father to give His Son the nations as His inheritance (Psalm 2:8).

Under this canopy of Christ-exalting prayer, God began to mark missionaries to carry the gospel to the ends of the earth. Three hundred-plus missionaries responded to the call to go and make disciples of all nations. Two of the first missionaries wrote in their journals that they were even willing to sell themselves into slavery in order to reach the slaves of the West Indies with the gospel!

These missionaries helped to establish over 5,000 missionary settlements around the world. Reflecting on this powerful Moravian movement, I am reminded of Dick Eastman's words, "The degree to which prayer is mobilized is the degree to which the world will be evangelized."

On this Collegiate Day of Prayer, may God raise up a modern-day Moravian move-

ment of prayer, unity, revival, and missions on campuses in the nations of the earth! The Father is always looking at the wounds of His Son, and I believe He is asking this generation, "Will you give My Son His due reward for His sufferings on the cross?"

**"MAY THE LAMB WHO WAS SLAIN
RECEIVE THE DUE REWARD FOR HIS
SUFFERINGS!"**

PRAYER POINTS

- ***Pray for God to call students to start worship-based prayer meetings on their campuses.***
- ***Pray for God to call students with fresh missionary zeal to go to the nations to share the gospel.***
- ***Pray that God would "pierce" this generation with a piercing revelation of the Glory of the Lamb!***

