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We live in a world that needs awakening. What is awakening? It is a powerful movement of the Spirit of God to convert many people to Christ and to renew in His church a zeal for His truth, for spiritual growth, and for missions. When just two men—Paul and Silas—prayed, the earth itself shook (Acts 16:25–26). This booklet exists to help guide you in prayer for awakening. Imagine what might happen if we joined together to pray fervently for a mighty movement of God’s Spirit today.

To use this guide, find the page that corresponds to the current week. Each week of the month focuses on a different group to pray for, starting with you and your family and expanding to larger communities. This guide is designed to be used during any calendar year, so each month has four weeks rather than specific dates. There is also space for journaling.

We hope this booklet encourages you this year and in future years. Please join us in waiting on the Lord, thankful that He has graciously promised to hear us, and confident that He will answer our prayers according to His will.

WEEK 1

YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you would know the riches of your salvation in Christ and that your family would too.

Having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints. — Eph. 1:18

WEEK 2

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS

Pray that your local church's good works would shine as a light to your community.

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. — Matt. 5:14

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that your nation would abandon its idols and worship the one true God.

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! — 1 Chron. 16:28

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that God would provide opportunities for the gospel to penetrate unreached people groups.

At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ. — Col. 4:3

WEEK 1**YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY**

Pray that you and your family would be transformed by the renewal of the mind according to the Word of God.

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. — Rom. 12:2

WEEK 2**NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS**

Pray that you and your church would contend for the faith so that it may be proclaimed with clarity to your neighbors.

I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. — Jude 3

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that your nation and city would treat the name of God as holy.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. — Matt. 6:9

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that people in many nations would join themselves to the Lord by faith in Christ alone.

Many nations shall join themselves to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people. — Zech. 2:11

WEEK 1

YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you and your family would know the love of Christ and respond in love and obedience to Him.

To know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. – Eph. 3:19

WEEK 2

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS

Pray that the members of your church would be full of zeal to serve Christ and bear witness to Him in your community.

Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. – Rom. 12:11

WEEK 3**YOUR CITY AND NATION**

Pray that God would send renewal to your nation and turn the hearts of many to Christ.

That times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord. — Acts 3:20

WEEK 4**THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH**

Pray that the nations and their leaders would fear the name of the Lord and seek His glory, not their own.

Nations will fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth will fear your glory. — Ps. 102:15

WEEK 1**YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY**

Pray that you and your family would be committed to studying, doing, and teaching the Word of God, which is the means of awakening.

Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the LORD, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel. — Ezra 7:10

WEEK 2**NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS**

Pray that you would be willing to speak God's Word to the people in your life and that God would supply opportunities to do so.

You . . . shall talk of [God's commandments] when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. — Deut. 6:7

WEEK 3**YOUR CITY AND NATION**

Pray that God would grant many people in your city and in your nation the saving knowledge of Christ.

That the God of our LORD Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him. — Eph. 1:17

WEEK 4**THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH**

Pray that missionaries and church leaders throughout the world would be delivered from the opposition of unbelievers so that they might preach the gospel without hindrance.

I appeal to you, brothers, by our LORD Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf, that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints. — Rom. 15:30–31

WEEK 1

YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you and your family would hide Scripture in your heart so that you will be ready to preach the gospel and edify others with God's Word.

These words that I command you today shall be on your heart. — Deut. 6:6

WEEK 2

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS

Pray that you and your church would mourn for those who do not know or keep God's law and be moved to reach out to the community with the gospel of God.

My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your law. — Ps. 119:136

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that the people in your city and nation would seek out teachers who will give them the truth of the gospel and not false doctrine.

The time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions. — 2 Tim. 4:3

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that God's kingdom would come in power around the world so that many will know Christ and do His will.

Your kingdom come. — Matt. 6:10

WEEK 1

YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you and your family would gladly do what God wills, as is outlined in His Word.

Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. — Matt. 6:10

WEEK 2

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS

Pray that you and your church would live holy lives before friends and neighbors so that your witness to the gospel will have a credible testimony.

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. — 1 Peter 2:9

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that your nation and city would praise God and not curse Him.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! — Ps. 67:3

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that the church around the world would not be content simply with making converts but would strive to make disciples.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. — Matt. 28:19-20

WEEK 1

YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you and your family would put no confidence in the flesh or human methods but rather lean on God to bring awakening.

*We are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh.
— Phil. 3:3*

WEEK 2

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS

Pray that your church would be committed to making true disciples of the next generation so that renewal continues.

You shall teach [God's commandments] diligently to your children. — Deut. 6:7

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that your nation would be turned upside down and changed through the preaching of the biblical gospel.

They dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also." — Acts 17:6

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that God would raise up Christians who are willing to go to the ends of the earth, to the most out-of-the-way places in order to proclaim the gospel to those who haven't heard it.

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth. — Acts 1:8

WEEK 1**YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY**

Pray that you and your family would grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ.

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our LORD and Savior Jesus Christ. — 2 Peter 3:18

WEEK 2**NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS**

Pray that your church would be faithful to structure its ministry according to the means of grace—the Word, fellowship, sacraments, and prayer—as God’s way of bringing renewal.

They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. — Acts 2:42

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that your city would not throw up obstacles to the spread of the gospel as God grants boldness to believers to proclaim His Word.

Now, LORD, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness. — Acts 4:29

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that God would richly bless the church around the world so that unbelievers will see His saving power and be drawn to trust in Him.

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. — Ps. 67:1-2

WEEK 1**YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY**

Pray that you and your family would increasingly love God with your heart, soul, and might.

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. — Deut. 6:5

WEEK 2**NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS**

Pray that your church would be diligent to teach the whole counsel of God.

Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. — Matt. 28:20

WEEK 3**YOUR CITY AND NATION**

Pray for the peace and welfare of your city and nation, including that your fellow citizens would find spiritual peace by trusting in Christ.

Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. — Jer. 29:7

WEEK 4**THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH**

Pray that the nations of the world would come to know Christ and call upon His name in faith and repentance.

At that time I will change the speech of the peoples to a pure speech, that all of them may call upon the name of the LORD and serve him with one accord. — Zeph. 3:9

WEEK 1

YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Pray that you and your family would offer yourselves to God as living sacrifices, wholly committed to His will.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. — Rom. 12:1

WEEK 2

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND COWORKERS

Pray that you would be willing to speak God's Word to the people in your life and that God would supply opportunities to do so.

You shall teach [God's commandments] diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. — Deut. 6:7

WEEK 3

YOUR CITY AND NATION

Pray that God would bring the leaders of your city and your nation to faith in Christ.

The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; he turns it wherever he will. — Prov. 21:1

WEEK 4

THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray that the church around the world, especially in countries where it is severely persecuted, would faithfully declare the glory and works of God.

Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! — 1 Chron. 16:23-24

WEEK 3**YOUR CITY AND NATION**

Pray that the leaders of your city and nation would not be antagonistic toward the church but would allow us to freely live godly, peaceful, dignified lives that bear witness to Christ.

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. — 1 Tim. 2:1-2

WEEK 4**THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH**

Pray that God would raise up missionaries to every tribe and tongue throughout the world.

I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands. — Rev. 7:9

WEEK 3**YOUR CITY AND NATION**

Pray that your nation and city would honor God and not despise Him.

Those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be lightly esteemed. — 1 Sam. 2:30

WEEK 4**THE WORLD AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH**

Pray that people around the world would find the hope of salvation in Christ.

In his name the Gentiles will hope. — Matt. 12:21

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