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- Romans 15:13

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

We are glad you are joining us in prayer today. Whether you are praying alone or with others, your participation is a vital part of seeking God together on this National Day of Prayer. This guide is meant to lead you in focused, Scripture-based intercession that aligns with the heart of God, points to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and opens our own hearts to the work of the Holy Spirit.

For Individual Use:

- Set aside intentional time on May 1 to walk through each section. You may choose to move through it all at once or spread it throughout the day.
- Begin with quiet reflection and prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to guide your heart and align your prayers with God's will.
- Read each Scripture and prayer focus slowly, allowing the truths to sink in. Let the written prayers serve as a launching point—feel free to pray your own words as God leads.
- Keep a journal nearby to write down what God shows you or what specific people, places, or situations He brings to mind.

For Corporate Use (Churches, Groups, and Families):

- Assign leaders or participants to read the Scriptures, focuses, and written prayers aloud. Follow each section with time for silent or open group prayer.
- Encourage a spirit of unity and expectation—praying not just for one another, but for the church, the nation, and the world.

A Final Word:

This day is more than a program—it's a movement of hope, fueled by prayer and rooted in the power of the Holy Spirit. As we pour out our hearts to the God of Hope, may He fill us with joy and peace, and may our prayers overflow with eternal impact.

Thank you for standing with Feed the Hunger in prayer.

- INTRODUCTION -

Read: On this National Day of Prayer, we join with fellow believers across the nation to seek the Lord together. Our focus is on pouring out our hearts to the God of hope, allowing His Word to shape our prayers, and trusting in His promise to fill us with joy and peace that we may overflow with hope through the Holy Spirit.

- PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING -

Read: *Psalm 100:4*— “Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!”

Focus: Praise God for His sovereignty, faithfulness, and love. Thank Him for His Word, salvation through Christ, and the freedom to pray openly.

Pray: Lord, we enter Your presence with gratitude. Thank You for who You are—that You are good and Your love and faithfulness endure throughout all generations. Thank You for the gift of Your Word, which guides us and transforms us. We praise You for the blessings You’ve poured out on us through Jesus Christ.

- PERSONAL RENEWAL AND REPENTANCE -

Read: *1 John 1:9* – “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

Focus: Confess areas where you’ve strayed from God’s Word. Ask for a heart that desires holiness and aligns with God’s will.

Pray: Father, forgive us for the ways we have ignored Your truth and compromised our witness. Cleanse our hearts and renew our minds. Draw us back to You with a spirit of humility and hunger for righteousness.

- THE CHURCH -

Read: *Ephesians 4:11-13*— “So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

Focus: Pray for unity, purity, and boldness in the church. Pray that believers would be rooted in the Word and shine as lights in the darkness.

Pray: Lord, build up Your church. Unite us through truth and humility. May our actions match our words. Help each of us honor Your image in each of our brothers

and sisters and break through barriers like racism, politics, and class, which the evil one uses to divide. Purify us through Your Spirit and empower us to be faithful witnesses in a world that desperately needs hope. Help us to speak Your Word with love and clarity.

- FAMILIES, MARRIAGES, AND SINGLES -

Read: *Ephesians 3:14-16*—“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being.”

Focus: Pray for Christ-centered marriages and relationships that they may endure through loss, sickness, and relational ruptures. Intercede for parents, children, and those facing brokenness in the home. Lift up those who are single—by calling, choice, or life circumstance—that they would be strengthened and surrounded by spiritual family.

Pray: God, we thank You for the gift of family in all its forms. Strengthen marriages and bring healing to homes in distress. Be near to those raising children and those facing life’s burdens alone. For those who are single—whether by calling, loss, or waiting—fill them with joy, purpose, and community. Let every household reflect Your grace and love.

- GOVERNMENT AND LEADERS -

Read: *1 Timothy 2:1-2*—“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession, and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.”

Focus: Pray for wisdom, integrity, and humility in national, state, and local leaders. Ask God to guide policy decisions and preserve religious freedom.

Pray: Father, we lift up our leaders to You. Grant them wisdom and courage to do what is right. Surround them with godly counsel. May they seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before You. We boldly ask for our actions and our laws to increasingly reflect Your truth, beauty, and goodness in a way that endures beyond any party or sect.

- SCHOOLS, YOUTH, AND THE NEXT GENERATION -

Read: *Proverbs 22:6*—“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it.”

Focus: Pray for teachers, students, and school administrators. Intercede for revival among young people and a generation grounded in God’s Word.

Pray: Lord, awaken the hearts of the next generation. Protect our children from

lies and confusion. Raise up leaders among them who will follow You boldly. Help us to disciple them in the ways of Jesus. Bless our educators with strength and wisdom, whether in public, private, or home schools.

- THE NATIONS AND SPIRITUAL AWAKENING -

Read: *Revelation 7:9*—“After this, I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.”

Focus: Pray that the Gospel would reach every people group, including the diverse peoples within our own nation. Ask for a spiritual awakening that transcends cultural, ethnic, and political boundaries.

Pray: Lord Jesus, You are the Lamb who was slain for all peoples. We pray that Your Gospel would go forth in power among the peoples of our nation and beyond. Draw people from every background and community to Yourself. May revival sweep our land—uniting hearts, healing divisions, and preparing us for the day when every nation will worship before Your throne.

- WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST -

Read: *Matthew 9:38*—“Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

Focus: Pray that God would raise up and send faithful laborers—missionaries, pastors, evangelists, and everyday believers—to proclaim the Gospel. Ask God to ignite a passion for the lost in the hearts of his people.

Pray: Lord of the harvest, we ask You to send out workers into every field—across the street here in the United States and around the world. Stir hearts with compassion, courage, and a love for those who are far from You. Let Your church be moved by what moves You, and may we answer the call to go, give, and pray for the sake of Your kingdom.

- CONCLUSION -

Read: *Hebrews 10:23*—“Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.”

Pray: Lord, we commit ourselves to walk in the light of Your Word. Let this day of prayer not be a moment, but a movement—of Your Spirit, Your truth, and Your glory. May our prayers be continuous and our lives shine with hope. May You, the God of hope, fill us with all joy and peace as we trust in You, so that we may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.