15 DAYS OF PRAYER AROUND THE ELECTION

A TIME TO

WORSHIP JESUS & PRAY FOR OUR NATION

During this critical time for our nation, our responsibility to pray for our nation begins with keeping Jesus at the center of our personal lives. For so many, the political and social turmoil of this season is causing people to lose their love and focus on Jesus. **Therefore, this call to 15 days of prayer around the election will be based on Jesus, His work in our personal lives, and then prayer for our nation.**

Each day you will find a title of Jesus from the Bible to guide you to what to pray for yourself and then for our nation. Begin each day of prayer with a true moment of worship, remembering the greatness of Jesus that the Scriptures declare.

Then based on who Jesus is, start to pray (the day's prayer focus) for your own life. After you have taken time to do that, move towards that same prayer focus for our nation. Cry out to God and let the second scripture remind you of what God desires from our nation and every nation.

There will be great power in all of us praying together each day. You can also pray together on Zoom each day at 8am.

Starting November 1st, I am inviting the Cornerstone family to two extra steps of worship:

COMMUNION EVERY DAY OF ELECTION WEEK (NOV 1-7)

I encourage you to take communion in your home each day and strengthen your worship of Jesus. Let this act of worship keep you close to the Cross when our nation grows even harsher and divided.

FAST MEDIA FOR AT LEAST THE LAST 3 DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION

Once you have sought the Lord about how you will vote, it is time to turn off the world's voice and trust the Lord with the results. He is sovereign and our nation is in His hands. There is no longer a reason to keep fixated on the world. Entrust our nation to Him and spend that time growing closer to Jesus and experiencing His peace in greater ways.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

WORSHIP JESUS: SUPREME AND ABOVE ALL

For by Jesus all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church . . . so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

COLOSSIANS 1:16-18, NIV84

JESUS WOULD BE PREEMINENT!

IN ME:

Pray that Jesus would truly be preeminent (FIRST) in our lives. Pray that the elections, politics and turmoil of our country would not steal our first love and devotion to Him.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that Christ would become preeminent in the hearts of the people of our nation and government so that peace and blessing for all people can be found. Pray that His truth and justice would be followed.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance. From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind; from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth—he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do. No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save. But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love. . .

PSALM 33:12-18, NIV84

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

WORSHIP JESUS: THE WORD & TRUTH OF GOD

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

JOHN 1:1-5, NIV84

GOD'S WORD IS HONORED

IN ME:

Pray that you would love, and live in, God's Word more than ever before. Repent if you are not in God's Word daily and begin in the simplest way to be in His Word everyday as you also repent of any way you have not been obeying His Word.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our nation would base its decisions on God's Word and not the opinions or passions of man or on the wisdom of this world. Pray that our upcoming leaders will trust in God's Word.

This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go. If only you had paid attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river, your righteousness like the waves of the sea. Your descendants would have been like the sand, your children like its numberless grains; their name would never be cut off nor destroyed from before me."

ISAIAH 48:17-19, NIV84

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

WORSHIP JESUS: THE BAPTIZER IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

LUKE 3:16, NIV84

AN OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

IN ME:

Pray that you would live in the power of the Holy Spirit with the fruit and gifts of the Holy Spirit overflowing you in how you relate to others. Pray that you and our church family would not live in the spirit of this world, but in the Holy Spirit, during this election season.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our nation would not resist the Holy Spirit's work and guidance. Pray that citizens (especially all who call themselves Christians) would be open to, and guided by, the Holy Spirit in their voting. Pray that our upcoming leaders would be transformed by the Holy Spirit no matter their past.

The LORD said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the Tent of Meeting, that they may stand there with you. I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take of the Spirit that is on you and put the Spirit on them. They will help you carry the burden of the people so that you will not have to carry it alone."

NUMBERS 11:16-17, NIV84

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

WORSHIP JESUS: THE GREAT JUDGE

He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

ACTS 10:42-43, NIV84

BIBLICAL JUSTICE

IN ME:

Pray that you would be sensitive to, and repent of, any ways you personally have participated in or tolerated injustice. Repent in any way in which you are not trusting in Jesus as The One who brings true justice to this life.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our nation, our leaders and our systems would pursue biblical justice and righteousness for all those who are oppressed, living in fear, or marginalized. Pray that true justice and not bitterness, privilege or revenge, would characterize our systems of law enforcement, courts and government.

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow. . . For I, the LORD, love justice; I hate robbery and iniquity. . . All who see [those who live in My justice] will acknowledge that they are a people the LORD has blessed.

NUMBERS 11:16-17, NIV84

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

WORSHIP JESUS: THE FREEDOM OF GOD

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

JOHN 8:36, NIV84

FREEDOM TO WORSHIP

IN ME:

Pray that you would be using your religious freedom well, gathering together, worshiping Jesus together, and making the most of every opportunity to share the light and truth of Jesus with your community and nation.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that we would continue to have freedom to worship and live out our faith and love for Jesus. Pray that persecution towards those who follow Jesus would not be allowed to grow or be established in our country socially, legally or politically. Pray that Christians would also keep a Spiritfilled, Christ-centered and biblical perspective when others disagree with them or oppose them.

In the day of my trouble I will call to you, for you will answer me. Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord; no deeds can compare with yours. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; they will bring glory to your name. For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

PSALM 86:7-10, NIV84

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

WORSHIP JESUS: THE COMPASSIONATE HIGH PRIEST

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence. . .

JOHN 8:36, NIV84

BIBLICAL COMPASSION

IN ME:

Pray that you would not be consumed with busyness, bitterness or self-reliance in this election season but would live out the compassion and love of Jesus for all people regardless of their politics or attitudes.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our nation would be healed of its deep wounds of the past and of its current divisions that foster hate, racism, prejudice and our current "cancel" culture.

"Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

HOSEA 6:1-3, NIV84

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

WORSHIP JESUS: THE GREAT AUTHORITY OF GOD

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

JOHN 8:36, NIV84

GOD'S AUTHORITY TO BE FOLLOWED

IN ME:

Pray for awareness and repentance in any way you have rejected God's authority and lordship in your life or in your family. Pray for God's mercy and increased obedience to Him.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray for our nation to honor God as The Creator and the ultimate authority for what we should think and how we should act regarding unborn life, gender, sexuality and marriage. Pray for God's great mercy and forgiveness for the ways we have rejected His authority and in these areas.

Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter. Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and clever in their own sight. . . their roots will decay and their flowers blow away like dust; for they have rejected the law of the LORD Almighty and spurned the word of the Holy One of Israel.

ISAIAH 5:20-24, NIV84

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

WORSHIP JESUS: WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6, NIV84

PRAY FOR

OUR AUTHORITIES TO FEAR & FOLLOW GOD

IN ME:

Pray that you will have a fresh surrender to Jesus as Lord of your life, your church and your career. We cannot ask our government leaders to submit to the leadership of Jesus if we do not.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that in this election people will choose leaders who will fear God, honor His Word and who appoint judges in our land who will do the same.

And if you faithfully obey the voice of the Lord your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the Lord your God.

DEUTERONOMY 28:1-2, ESV

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

WORSHIP JESUS: FAITHFUL AND TRUE

Then I saw heaven open, and there was a white horse. Its rider is called Faithful and True; it is with justice that he judges and fights his battles.

REVELATION 19:11, GNT

PRAY FOR PRAY FOR TRUTH & HONESTY TO PREVAIL

IN ME:

Pray that you will have a fresh revelation of how to live in the integrity and honesty of God in the way you work, relate to others and live at home.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our country will have fair elections, accurate counting of all votes and unhindered equal access to vote. Pray that God would defeat any work of deception, fear or manipulation.

Do not have two differing weights in your bag—one heavy, one light [in order to deceive]. Do not have two differing measures in your house—one large, one small. You must have accurate and honest weights and measures, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you. For the LORD your God detests anyone who does these things, anyone who deals dishonestly.

DEUTERONOMY 28:1-2, NIV84

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

WORSHIP JESUS: OUR PEACE

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace...

EPHESIANS 2:14-15, NIV84

PRAY FOR PEACE

IN ME:

Pray you would live in the peace and hope of Jesus, and not trust in a person or political party. Also pray you will do all you can to uphold His truth and wisdom in our land.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that peace and unity would be restored to our nation as God's truth is pursued and upheld. The election results will certainly cause reactions of division, hatred and fear in many (regardless of who is elected). So, pray that the body of believers and our nation will be reunited by Christ and that He will speak to all the candidates in how to promote healing and peace past the election.

Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God...

PSALM 146:3-5, ESV

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

WORSHIP JESUS: THE VICTORIOUS ONE

Those who are victorious will sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat with my Father on his throne. "Anyone with ears to hear must listen to the Spirit and understand what he is saying to the churches."

REVELATION 3:21, NLT

DELIVERANCE FROM FEAR

IN ME:

Pray that you would not live in fear based on election results and political propaganda from either side, but live in the love of God and be able to offer His victory and ability to overcome to others.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our nation would not be tormented by a spirit of fear but would allow our leaders to work toward healing and the right types of compromising of political views that would honor Jesus and bring unity to a bitterly divided nation. Pray that the common good would be found.

The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD; he directs it like a watercourse wherever he pleases. All a man's ways seem right to him, but the LORD weighs the heart. To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

PROVERBS 21:1-3, NIV84

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

WORSHIP JESUS: THE LORD OF ALL

"God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

PHILIPPIANS 2:9-11

SUBMISSION TO AUTHORITY

IN ME:

Pray that you would not be manipulated by the enemy or the spirit of this world to have hatred or pride against authority but act in proper ways that honors God while still voicing injustice and the need for reform in ways that are consistent with Christ.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that all citizens would respect the law even if they did not get their desired political outcome. Pray for our police and first responders. Pray that people would recognize the authority of our newly selected local, state and national leaders. Pray that the continued dialogue, protest and reforms needed would happen without violence, destruction or hatred.

Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.

ROMANS 13:1-2, NIV

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

WORSHIP JESUS: THE LORD OF ALL

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

1 JOHN 4:10-11, NIV84

FORGIVENESS

IN ME:

Pray that you would forgive those who have wronged you, betrayed you, spoken evil of you, or created fear in you through the electoral season. Pray for a fresh vision of the cross and the power of Jesus' love.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our leaders and community would walk in forgiveness with one another and work towards peace and reconciliation that would honor God and unite our communities. Whatever we do not forgive we repeat. May we learn to pursue justice through Biblical forgiveness.

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

MICAH 6:8, ESV

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

WORSHIP JESUS: THE HOLY SERVANT OF GOD

And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.

ACTS 4:29-30, ESV

HUMBLE SERVANTHOOD

IN ME:

Pray that you would remain strong in Jesus, His Word and Spirit and be a servant of others in a time when people grasp for power and control.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that our leaders and communities would have a move of God to be willing to serve one another.

Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves."

LUKE 22:25-27, NIV84

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

WORSHIP JESUS: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

JOHN 8:12, NIV84

PRAY FOR

REPENTANCE TOWARDS GOD & FAITH IN JESUS

IN ME:

Pray that you will have a new beginning of living in the light of Jesus and shining it to all who know you. Pray to be filled with His Holy Spirit and overflowing with a love for Jesus that cannot be contained. And pray that our church will be faithful to offer the Gospel of Jesus to all people so that many come to Him.

"SELAH"

Stop, reflect & truly pray for this in your own life before praying for our nation

IN OUR NATION:

Pray that many in our nation would see the light of Jesus and come to repentance. Pray that God's churches and people declare The Gospel like never before and in the power of the Holy Spirit so that His light might shine and dispel our darkness.

"In those days and in that time, declares the LORD, the people of Israel and the people of Judah shall come together, weeping as they come [repentance], and they shall seek the LORD their God. They shall ask the way to Zion, with faces turned toward it, saying, 'Come, let us join ourselves to the LORD in an everlasting covenant that will never be forgotten."

JEREMIAH 50:4-5, NIV84