



# How to Pray for... **THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD**



As Christ's bride and body, the Church has a unique role in reflecting God to society. As churches reach out—serving their communities, speaking out on behalf of the oppressed, and caring for the most vulnerable—society sees a glimpse of God's heart.

Churches have an incredible opportunity to bring transformation to their communities. However, few believers fully understand how to apply God's truth to every area of their lives. As a result, there is often little difference in the lives of Christians and their communities before and after they come to Christ. When they believe that God only cares about spiritual things, Christians often ignore other concerns such as the needs of the vulnerable, health issues, food shortages, environmental issues, lack of education... Many Christians believe the lie, "We aren't able to do anything; someone else needs to address this issue."

Wherever the Church is in bondage to these lies, those outside the church tend to see the Christian God as either imaginary, weak or uninterested in the affairs of earth. God is not glorified, and communities remain trapped in poverty. Yet, Christ loves His bride and wants to bless her. When the Church operates as God intended, the results are incredible, and ultimately bring glory to God.



## Please Pray With Us...

- That churches would have opportunities for wholistic discipleship that breaks through crippling lies and helps them to bring every area of life under the lordship of Christ.
- That churches experiencing marginalization or persecution would know God's presence and power in the midst of their suffering.
- That churches would be bold to demonstrate God's love to their communities in ways that bring physical and spiritual transformation.
- For pastors—that God would provide for their every need, strengthen them against temptation, renew their energies, and reveal His good purposes. Pray especially for Majority World pastors, who often have little training and limited support.

***We encourage you to meditate on these verses and pray them over the Church around the world.***

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal the land.

*2 Chronicles 7:14*

Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom He promised those who love Him?

*James 2:5*



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