

A Call to Humility and Prayer

We MUST Appeal to God for Mercy.

Are you concerned about where the nation is headed?

Do you think that God has abandoned us?

Or is it more likely that we have abandoned Him?

Our request today is simple in concept but beyond our comprehension in power. We are calling our brothers and sisters to a penitential period of prayer this fall. Could the times be any riper?

- 65 million children sacrificed in “legal” abortion since 1973
- Assisted suicide on the horizon
- Children exposed to graphic, immoral, “comprehensive” sex ed/racism
- Soaring rates of STDs, addictions, and suicide
- Prideful celebrations of LGBTQ+ deviancy
- Human/sex/drug trafficking
- Marriage and gender redefined
- Gender confusion taught in schools
- Fatherlessness at all-time highs
- Church attendance at all-time lows
- Legal prostitution under consideration
- Corrupt politicians and media
- Deliberate destruction of the family unit through social welfare programs
- Pornography/adultery
- Growing gang violence, murders and crime

This is only a sampling of what’s happening in the nation, unabated. We can honestly say that the foundations are crumbling (Psalm 11:3). Our state and our nation need Christians to intercede in prayer to ask Almighty God for His mercy as the November election approaches.

We know that our hope does not lie in our elected officials, but even so, we believe God is moved by the prayers of His people. **This is not a call to pray for a political victory.** Even so, we want to see a wave of pro-life/pro-family candidates win their races for state and federal office. That will not happen if we do not humble ourselves and seek God in prayer.

Our prayers must be focused on personal repentance. We must acknowledge our culture’s rebellion against God.

We must pray that “we the people” of the United States would honor Almighty God.

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We must pray for national repentance.

So, we urge you and your church to join others in seeking the Lord in corporate prayer for the future of the United States.

Our nation is in desperate need of **repentance and God's healing**. While we recognize the judgment we deserve as a nation, we must continue to look to God who hasn't changed. He is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

In 2 Chronicles 7:14, God has given us a template for the repentance and restoration we so desperately need:

...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 will forgive their sin and heal their land.

While this conditional promise was given to Israel, we believe that even today, God is pleased by those who would follow – in spirit and in truth – this biblical prescription. And while God owes us nothing, in His mercy and compassion that are new every day, He invites us to bring Him our prayers, petitions, and requests.

In this verse, we are called to **humble ourselves, pray, seek God, and repent**.

If we come to Him with a truly contrite heart and repentant demeanor, we have no reason to believe He will not **hear, forgive, and heal our land**.

THEREFORE: We are calling for organized prayer gatherings at churches, in homes, at banquet halls, in open fields, or wherever believers can gather to pray corporately, **during the week of September 22nd**, to appeal to Almighty God for help.

This general election will determine whether our nation will continue down the road of destruction or wake up and start to change course.

September 26th is forty days before the November 5th election.

In Scripture, there are more than 20 instances in which moves of God take place after forty days. From the rains that fell during the flood and the time Moses spent with God on Mt. Sinai to the length of time Jesus spent in the wilderness and then with His disciples after the resurrection. It is a significant span of time in the Bible.

We want to petition God throughout the forty days leading up to this consequential election, believing He will move and surrendering to His work in our hearts and our nation as we submit to Him.

We believe our corporate and individual fervent prayers for God's mercy on our state and nation to be vitally important as this crucial election approaches. Please make plans to organize a prayer gathering. You can start by praying now that many will respond! We must prioritize earnest appeals on behalf of our family members, neighbors, local officials, and church leaders.

Sincerely,



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