

Week One January 5-11 Core Value Target: Prayer Global Family Targets: Africa, Asia, Europe/CIS/Middle East

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Week One Prayer Directives

- Thank the Father for his ability and readiness to give, guide, and respond in response to our prayers (Matthew 7:7-8).
- Confess for yourself or your church any lack of devotion to prayer. Ask God to help your church and its leaders be devoted to or "diligently occupied with" prayer (Colossians 4:2, Acts 1:14, Acts 2:42, Acts 6:4).
- Ask God to help your church family pray as the needs arise, spontaneously, and to cover everything in prayer (Ephesians 6:8).
- Ask God to make you alert to needs in your church family and to "keep on praying continually" for all members of your church family (Ephesians 6:8).
- Ask the Father to help you and your church to pray as Jesus urged your to pray—continually asking, seeking, and knocking (Matthew 7:7-8).
- Pray for power and wisdom to know the "greater things" the Father wants you and your church to do for Him (John 14:12-14).
- Ask the Father to help you see beyond just personal needs and to focus on kingdom concerns (John 14:12-14).
- Pray that your church will pray faithfully and powerfully for your city, community, nation, and leaders (1 Timothy 2:1-2).
- Pray for your pastor and ministry leaders (Romans 15:30)
- Thank that the "hearts desire" of your church would be to pray for the unsaved and that He would give your church practical opportunities reach out to your community. (Romans 10:1, 1 Timothy 2:1,3,4).



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Praying for Our Global Family

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Niger Nigeria Rwanda Senegal Sierra Leone South Africa Sudan Swaziland Tanzania Togo Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe Asia, Australia, and Oceania Australia Eastern Asia Fiii Islands Hawaii India Indonesia Kiribati Japan Malaysia Myanmar Nepal New Zealand Pakistan Philippines Rabi Islands Samoan Islands Singapore South Korea Sri Lanka Thailand Tuvalu

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