

ELECTION PRAYER GUIDE 2020

Election Prayer:

Day 1 – Oct 4 - Prepare Your Heart

Lord, I humbly come before You today, surrendering myself completely to You and committing this time to You.

“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.” (Ps 51:10)

Day 2 – Oct 5 – Personal Repentance and Forgiveness

Abba Father, I pray for Your forgiveness of my sins, as I repent and turn from those sins, seeking Your heart for me and for our nation.

“Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out,” (Acts 3:19)

Day 3 – Oct 6 - National Repentance and Forgiveness

Lord, pour out on our nation a spirit of repentance because we have moved so far away from You. Gracious, Father, have mercy on us and give us time to return to You, repent, and with Your guidance come back to You as a nation.

“You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.” (Jer 29:14)

Day 4 – Oct 7 - God’s Protection for us and our Families

To protect myself, Lord, I recognize the importance of praying on the Full Armor of God every day and pray for the protection of each member of my family.

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms,” (Eph 6:10-12)

Day 5 – Oct 8 - Hedge of Protection for our Nation

Compassionate Father, I pray for a strong hedge of protection around our nation during this time of decision and for physical protection for all candidates, leaders and all their families.

“Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? (Job 1:10)

Day 6 – Oct 9 - Stand on God’s Word

Father, have the Holy Spirit nudge me to seek You through Your Word, the Bible, and stand firm on those words as my foundation and guidance in all of my life, especially now for my actions in regard to this election.

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” (2Tim 3:16-17)

Day 7 – Oct 10 – Ask God what to Pray

Lay on our hearts, Lord, the importance of praying united prayers for our nation, leaders and election. Then tell us what you want us to pray.

“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” (1Tim 2:1-4)

Day 8 – Oct 11 – God’s Purposes Fulfilled in our Nation

Lord of All, may Your purposes be accomplished in these U.S. elections: that we turn back as a nation seeking first the Kingdom of God; and for our government to be Godly, reflecting Kingdom values.

“Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.” (Matt 6:10)

Day 9 – Oct 12 - Schemes of the evil one

Almighty God, I pray the schemes of the enemy would be exposed, dismantled and destroyed.

“Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.” (1Peter 5:8)

Day 10 – Oct 13 – Media in America

We pray for truth in reporting and in election coverage to become a high value, for Media bias to disappear, for Christianity to receive fair coverage in all reports, and that hope will become a part of the message of the media.

“Whoever speaks the truth gives honest evidence, but a false witness utters deceit. There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment. Deceit is in the heart of those who devise evil, but those who plan peace have joy.” (Prov 12:17-20)

“Put away from you crooked speech and put devious talk far from you.” (Prov 4:24)

Day 11 – Oct 14 – Health of our Nation

Lord, I lift up our nation as we combat coronavirus during this election season, praying that COVID-19 and its effects would not be used to disrupt or undermine our national elections.

“. . . whatever plague, whatever sickness *there is*, whatever prayer or supplication is made by any man *or* by all Your people Israel, each knowing the affliction of his own heart, . . . then hear in heaven Your dwelling place, and forgive and act and render to each according to all his ways, whose heart You know, . . . that they may fear You all the days that they live in the land which You have given to our fathers.” (1Kings 8:37-40)

Day 12 – Oct 15 – Justice to Prevail

Lord of Justice, I pray for swift justice for any unlawful or corrupt action taken during this election process that would thwart our nation’s Constitution, laws or integrity.

“Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.” (Eph 4:28)

Day 13 – Oct 16 – Fair Election Process

Oversee this election process, as only You can, Lord, so it will be fair, honest and free of corruption and manipulation.

“. . . for we aim at what is honorable not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of man.” (2Cor 8:21)

“A false balance is an abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is His delight.” (Prov 11:1)

Day 14 – Oct 17 – Every Eligible Citizen Vote

May each one who is eligible to vote feel that responsibility to make sure they are registered to vote and make arrangements to vote.

“Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God.” (Rom 13:1)

Day 15 – Oct 18 - Every Christian Vote

Lord, I pray all Christians will take their responsibility to vote seriously and will cast their votes in much greater numbers than in previous national elections.

“When the righteous thrive, the people rejoice; when the wicked rule, the people groan.” (Prov 29:2)

Day 16 – Oct 19 - Discernment for Citizens

God of All, we pray for citizens to be able to discern the truth as they hear the candidates, see ads, watch debates, and tune in to the media. May they have the desire to seek truth and discern it.

“Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.” (Hos 14:9)

Day 17 – Oct 20 - Citizens Lay Aside Self-Interest

May all citizens lay aside self-interest for the common good of our nation, examining the issues and the candidates and voting in a way that is best for our country. Let wisdom be sought from God.

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.” (James 1:5)

Day 18 – Oct 21 – Christians Can Affect Our Nation

May we realize, as Christians, we can affect our nation through our involvement, witness, prayer and voting – reflecting biblical values in legislation and leadership.

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. (Matt 5:13)

Day 19 – Oct 22 – Christians Ask for Discernment and Wisdom

Father, I come to You asking for Your discernment and wisdom concerning the issues and leaders in these elections, so I will understand and vote Your will. Let me understand fully the implications of the issues involving: marriage, right to life, religious freedoms, health care and economy (especially in light of the affects of COVID-19), national defense, border security, national debt, and more!

“Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God’s wrath comes on those who are disobedient. Therefore, do not be partners with them. For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord.” (Eph 5:6-19)

Day 20 – Oct 23 - Christians Conduct Due Diligence

Father, I pray for myself and all Christians to understand the importance of conducting due diligence on candidates and their positions, and that we will weigh those positions with the Word of God.

“But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.” (Heb 5:14)

Day 21 – Oct 24 – Fair Electoral Process

Lord, I pray Your hand will be on the electoral process so it will be fair, impartial and free of corruption and manipulation.

“The integrity of the upright guides them, but the crookedness of the treacherous destroys them.” (Prov 11:3)

Day 22 – Oct 25 – Focus of Candidates and Leaders

Dear Lord, God of Heaven and Earth, bless our candidates and leaders to focus on dealing with the issues we face locally, statewide and nationally – and not on personal attacks of political opponents. We pray that discourse would be civil and respectful during this time of polarizing views.

“If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.” (Gal 5:15)

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” (Eph 4:32)

Day 23 – Oct 26- Candidates and Leaders Stand for Righteousness

Father, impress on candidates and leaders the need for them to take brave stands for righteousness, even when it may not be well received.

“Then Peter opened his mouth and said: ‘In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him.’” (Acts 10:34-35).

Day 24 – Oct 27 – Servant’s Hearts for Candidates and Leaders

We pray for candidates and leaders with a servant’s heart, a clear conscience and a walk of integrity. May their eyes be fixed on You, keeping a clear conscience, giving careful thought to their steps, and understanding they are accountable to God for their actions. May they do good for the people they serve, free from selfish ambition and personal gain.

“I instruct you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. (Prov 4:25-27)

“You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” (Gal 5:13-14)

Day 25 – Oct 28 – Salvation for Candidates and Leaders

Father God, we pray for the salvation of those who are in office and those who are running for office. We pray they will have a life-changing encounter with Christ. Remove from them, Lord, all envy and selfish ambition replacing it with Your wisdom.

“The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.” (Ps 145:18)

“For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice. But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.” (James 3:16-17)

Day 26 – Oct 29 – Pray for our Elected Officials and Candidates

Father, we ask for protection from harm and unnecessary scrutiny for our President, Vice President, current leaders and all candidates, plus their families during this time.

“But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.”
(2 Thes 3:3)

“The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, and He delivers them.” (Ps 34:7)

Day 27 – Oct 30 – The Church, our Pastors and Leaders

Lord, we pray for our pastors and other church leaders as they lead their congregations to think biblically about the issues facing our nation and as they seek God's will for our country. May we, as The Body of Christ, be sensitive to God's preparation through them for us to be "The Bride" for the "Bride Groom".

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work." (2Tim 3:16-17)

"Let us rejoice and exult and give Him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His Bride has made herself ready;" (Rev 19:7)

Day 28 – Oct 31 – Sharing Christ during this election

Abba Father, I pray for opportunities for me, as well as other Christians, to share our faith and values in the midst of this election process.

"but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

Day 29 – Nov 1 – Our election Impacts the globe

Father, since our president, senate & congressional leaders make decisions that impact the rest of the world, help us to remember that the result of those decisions on the people of the world is largely determined by the choices Americans make at the polls. We pray our choices will serve to bless the world and to spread the gospel around the globe.

"Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right." (1Peter 2:13-14)

Day 30 – Nov 2 – Position our Nation

Lord, I pray the election outcome will result in our nation being poised for greater spiritual growth, revival and spiritual awakening.

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but so that the world might be saved through Him.” (John 3:16-17)

Day 31 – Nov 3- God’s will be done

Let Your Kingdom come, let Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

“Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.” (Matt 6:10)

Here are some additional bullet prayer topics for Nov 2 & 3, the Vigil and the day of the election. Pray, seeking the Holy Spirit’s guidance with these and additional prayers:

- Prepare your heart and come before the Lord humbly
- To seek God’s heart for our nation and ask Him His will
- For each person to do their “due diligence” on the candidates and issues before voting
- For every eligible citizen to vote
- For all Christians to vote, and vote based on biblical principles
- Safety and protection for candidates, leaders & their families
- Justice in the election process
- Peace and unity restored in our nation as the truth is pursued and upheld
- Good weather for the Election Day, Nov 3, throughout our nation
- God’s will to be fulfilled for our nation
- Opportunities to share the gospel during the election process
- God to be glorified in all

“What a man is on his knees before God, that he is – no more, no less”

By Robert Murray McCheyne

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