Christians Rise Up

There are at least 2 popular Christian songs out right now with the wording "Rise Up" and "Arise". God is calling the lost to rise-up! "The Return" that we simulcasted from our church September 26th during the "Day of Prayer and Repentance", was also simulcasted in almost every country in the world! There were 250,000 people saved during that one-day event! God is so on the move!

God is also calling His church to rise-up, to stand for what we believe in as Christians as we enter this upcoming election! He wants us to ensure that His foundations in this nation are honored and upheld. Our voting biblically on the issues at stake in this election is essential to God's foundations standing strong. Dr. David Jeremiah, Senior Pastor of Shadow Mountain Community Church and Founder of "Turning Point" says, "By staying silent, believers are allowing non-believers to decide who will run our government and create our public policies". Pastor Matt shared recently concerning reaching out to share the gospel, we are "Plan A" and there is no "Plan B". It is the same with fulfilling God's purposes for our nation. We are "Plan A" and there is no "Plan B". We can do this by voting and voting based on our Christian principles! Every vote matters!

Take a moment to listen to one of these songs, "Rise Up", by Cain as you begin your prayer time this week: "Rise Up"

We invite you to join us beginning today in daily prayer leading up to our election:



Register now to receive daily prayers for our country and leaders for the 2020 Election.

You can receive them by:

EMAIL: REGISTER

Or

TEXT: Text "ELECTION" to 678 506-2462

Election Prayers for this week:

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)

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)

Day 14 – Oct 17 – Every Eligible Citizen Vote

May each one who is eligible to vote feel that responsibility, 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)

Voters' Guides to help inform you:

- I Voter Guide (by issues & state GEORGIA) https://ivoterguide.com/
- Intercessors for America (by party)

https://ifapray.org/promo/2020-voter-prayer-guide/

- Million Voices (Presidential, Vice Presidential, good 1 page each by issues)
 - Presidential: https://millionvoices.org/voter-guides/2020-Presidential-Voter-gui
 - Vice Presidential: https://millionvoices.org/voter-guides/2020-VP-Voter-guides/20
- Focus on the Family (Presidential by issues):
 https://dailycitizen.focusonthefamily.com/2020-voter-guide/
- Billy Graham Evangelistic Association:

https://static.billygraham.org/sites/lp.billygraham.org/uploads/prod/2020/09/20 20-Digital-Election-Guide-2.pdf

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- Intercessors for America
- Family Research Council
- National Day of Prayer