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PRAY ON MLK PRAYER GUIDE

Pray on MLK is the call for the Church to unite as One Voice on One Day to pray for One Dream for the glory of One King.

This is a guide you can use to join us in corporate prayer on January 18, 2021.



**CIVIL
RIGHTEOUSNESS**

Thank you for responding to the call to pray on this historic day of remembrance. Matthew 18 :19-20 NKJV says, *“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”* Your faith is being joined with thousands of others across the nation and the world today as we humbly submit our requests before the Lord. This guide provides several points of agreement as we anticipate a tremendous move of God in response to the united cry of His people. James 5:16 NKJV declares, *“The prayer of the righteous person is powerful and effective.”* Despite what is happening in the world around us today, we can pray with tremendous hope because: *“The One who calls you is faithful, He will also do it”* -1 Thess. 5:24 NKJV

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Pray on MLK Consecration Guide

A simple prayer guide using the P-R-A-Y acronym from praykc.church

P - Pause (5-10 min)

- * Take a few minutes to be still and be present to the Lord.
- * Welcome God's presence.
- * Humble yourself before the Lord.

“Be still and know that I am God, I will be exalted among the nations (ethnic peoples).” Psalm 46:41

“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.
See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.” Psalm 139:23-24

R - Rejoice (10-15 min)

- * Rejoice and give praise for who God is and pray hope for your community.
- * Bless the things around you (homes, storefronts, schools, infrastructure, churches).
- * Call out the good and thank the Lord for it. Rejoice over the life you see!
- * Thank him for the individuals, families, churches, and community leaders who are strengthening people that have been unfairly treated because of systems of injustice.

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

A- Ask (30 min)

- * Ask God to identify any personal walls of division in your own heart.
- * Ask God for the word you've written on your mask.
- * Ask for forgiveness for any way you have been complicit with racism OR Ask for grace to forgive in the places you have been wronged by racism.
- * Ask for God to have mercy and turn our hearts towards each other and towards truth and righteousness.
- * Ask that the faith community would be key in bringing down systems of injustice to build a more just and equitable society.
- * Ask for a spirit of unity to break the spirit of oppression and division in America and the nations.

“Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...
forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.” Matthew 6:10;12

“For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility” Ephesians 2:14

Y -Yield / Yes (10 min)

- * Say yes to continuing to persist in prayer.
- * Say yes to being the answer to your prayer through committed action for racial equity.
- * Surrender your own strength and zeal to the help of the Holy Spirit.

In closing allow yourself to dwell on the joy set before us, every tribe, people, nation and language gathered around Jesus in worship (Revelation 7:9).

“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more,
neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore,
for the former things have passed away.” Revelation 21:4

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RIGHTEOUSNESS

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;
love and faithfulness go before you. Psalm 89:14

Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people. Proverbs 14:34

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord,
“when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
a King who will reign wisely
and do what is just and right in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved
and Israel will live in safety.

This is the name by which he will be called:
The Lord Our Righteous Savior.” Jeremiah 23:5 - 6

“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit;
apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.
Matthew 6:33

PRAYER

Father, we pray for the establishment and execution of righteousness and justice in the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative branches of the U.S. government. We ask that all unrighteous laws, policies, and procedures be removed and/or renounced. We know that there is no partiality or bias in you. We ask that you would bring our public servants and elected officials into moral alignment with the plumb line of your righteousness. We pray for the fear of the Lord which is the beginning of all wisdom. Help us to “abide in the vine”. Cleanse us according to your Word so that our motivations and actions reflect the righteousness of God in culture.

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JUSTICE

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight;
I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations.

He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets.

A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.

In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;

he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth.

In his teaching the islands will put their hope. Isaiah 42:1 - 4

I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line;
hail will sweep away your refuge, the lie, and water will overflow your hiding place.

Isaiah 28:17

In the Lord’s hand the king’s heart is a stream of water that
he channels toward all who please him.

A person may think their own ways are right, but the Lord weighs the heart.

To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice. Proverbs 21:1 - 3

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

PRAYER

Father, help us embody the character of Jesus Christ and display his love as we pursue the causes of justice which move your heart. Please give us a spirit of wisdom and understanding in the knowledge of Christ. Break our hearts for what breaks yours, and show us how best to enter into the work of making wrong things right within our spheres of influence. We beseech your grace and ask for the power of the Holy Spirit to manifest in every social system. We ask for Godly reformation and equity in: Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice/Juvenile Justice, Social services, Education, Foster Care/Adoption, Healthcare, Finance, and beyond.

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UNITY & MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.

For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit. Ephesians 2:13 - 22

From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands.

Acts 17:26

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

Revelation 7:9 - 10

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard,
running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.

For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore. Psalm 133

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. John 17:20 - 23

PRAYER

Lord, make us one even as you and the Father are one. We repent for the poisonous ideas, rhetoric, and actions that have caused us to violate one another. We repent for failing to recognize and treat "the other" as an image bearer. Help us to love one another in the manner with which you have loved us. May the Church no longer be complacent and complicit with segregation, but instead resemble the multicultural multitude of our heavenly family. May our stunning oneness be a catalyst for global harvest as you release your nourishing and revitalizing blessing upon our unity.

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PEACEMAKERS

Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Matthew 5: 9

For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Of the greatness of his government and peace
there will be no end.
He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and forever.
The zeal of the Lord Almighty
will accomplish this. Isaiah 9:6 - 7

When you enter a house, first say, "Peace to this house." If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

Luke 10:5 - 7

PRAYER

Father, we pray for an activation of the peacemaker anointing in every believer. Would you cause us to rise up as "people of peace" in our communities and spheres of influence? We thank you that a call to peace is not an invitation to passivity. Help us to once again wield the weapon of your peace as a mighty vessel of Kingdom advancement in our world. We are thankful that the increase of your government and peace will have no end. We agree with prophet Isaiah and desire that the precepts of your Kingdom would increase in influence in our lives and livelihoods. May our cities experience a harvest of righteousness due to the diligent work of your sons and daughters as peacemakers.

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THE TABLE OF BROTHERHOOD

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Acts 2:42

Let him lead me to the banquet hall, and let his banner over me be love. Song of Songs 2:4

Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written:

"It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. Romans 12:13 - 21

When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Luke 14:7 - 11

Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them. John 13:14 - 17

PRAYER

God, help us to humble ourselves as Jesus did by "washing one another's feet". We desperately need grace to show hospitality towards those that look, believe, or vote differently than us. Help us to come into a higher understanding of your ways and a greater implementation of your vision for family in the earth. We pray for the following tables to be created in every community:

- * **Communion Table** - may we commune with God and find one another at the Lord's table.
- * **Mediation Table** - may we serve as mediators between feuding factions and different ethnicities.
- * **Negotiation Table** - may we work with legislators, business leaders, and change makers to bring effective policies and initiatives into communities that bring Glory to Jesus.
- * **Innovation Table** - may we be granted supernatural help to lay hold of heavenly vision for spiritual, cultural, and economic renewal. Give us vision and practical strategies to lead restoration efforts in underdeveloped and impoverished communities.

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RENEWAL

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me,
because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God,
to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—
to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes,
the oil of joy instead of mourning,
and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.
They will be called oaks of righteousness,
a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.
They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated;
they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations. Isaiah 61: 1 - 4

For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.
Hebrews 11:10

Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins
and will raise up the age-old foundations;
you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls,
Restorer of Streets with Dwellings. Isaiah 58:12

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells. Psalm 46:4

PRAYER

Father, let freedom ring in every low place and every high place! We ask for “ruined” cities, communities, and neighborhoods to experience divine restoration and gospel transformation in every sector. We pray for families to thrive even in the midst of and beyond the pandemic of Covid-19 and the pandemic of sin which has produced racism. May our cities be “made glad” through the river of justice, righteousness, and life that flows from your eternal throne. We also ask for the miracle of deliverance and healing from historic and newly inflicted mental, emotional, and spiritual traumas due to the generational sins of our nation. May we receive the resource of heaven to accomplish this work and see your Kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

**Jesus I plead your blood over my sins and the sins of our forefathers,
God, tear down wickedness, raise up righteousness, give us justice, and heal our land.**

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OUR MISSION: RECONCILIATION AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE
THROUGH SPIRITUAL, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC RENEWAL.



THE WALL

A HUMAN PRAYER CHAIN

Turn an altar of pain into a
place of prayer.



HOPE RALLY

WORSHIP + DECLARATION

A flash worship gathering
that declares God's
faithfulness in a place of
pain.



TABLE

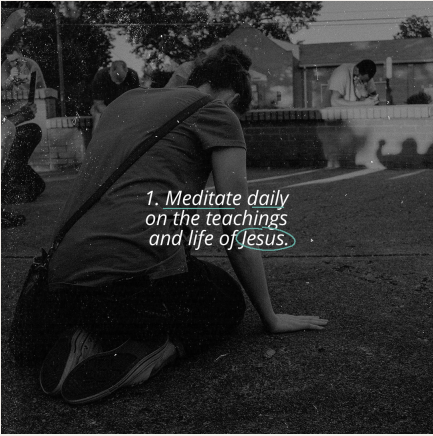
A PLACE OF COMMUNION

Meeting to listen, learn,
lament and laugh.

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MLK'S COMMANDMENTS



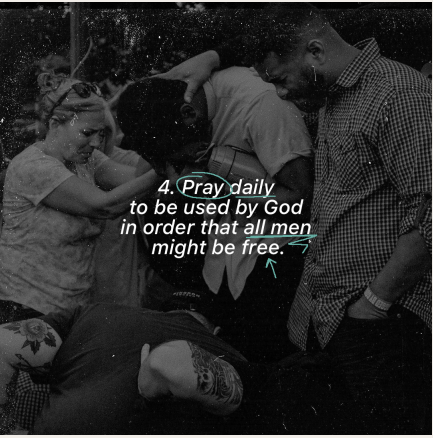
1. Meditate daily on the teachings and life of Jesus.



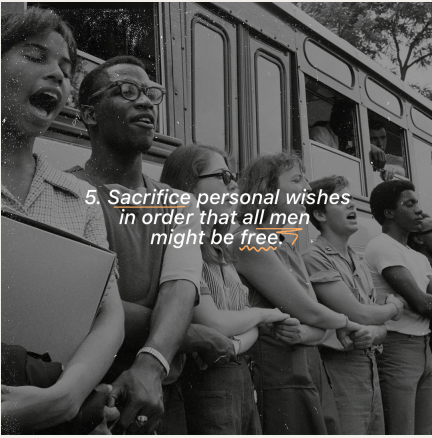
2. Remember always that the nonviolent movement in Birmingham seeks justice and reconciliation —not victory.



3. Walk and talk in the manner of love, for God is love.



4. Pray daily to be used by God in order that all men might be free.



5. Sacrifice personal wishes in order that all men might be free.



6. Observe with both friend and foe the ordinary rules of courtesy.



7. Seek to perform regular service for others and for the world.



8. Refrain from violence of fists, tongue or heart.



9. Strive to be in good spiritual and bodily health.



10. Follow the directions of the movement and the captain of the demonstration.



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