

Praying for our Missionaries

- 1. For protection**
2 Thess. 3:2; Rom. 15:31
- 2. Open doors of ministry**
Col. 4:3
- 3. Boldness and fearlessness
in presenting the gospel.**
Eph. 6:19-20
- 4. The ability to present the
gospel clearly.**
Col. 4:4
- 5. That the gospel message
will spread rapidly and be
honored.**
2 Thess 3:1
- 6. That their service might be
acceptable.**
Rom. 15:31

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Also pray:

1. For strength to do the work.
2. Wisdom in making decisions.
3. Sensitivity to God's Spirit.
4. Their family members.
5. For peace and a sense of God's presence.

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The earnest, heartfelt, continued prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available (dynamic in it working.) James 5:16, Amp. NT



“Teach Us to Pray”

Luke 11:1

1. Prayer is not just learning to say certain words or phrases or to ask certain things. It is a relationship with God out of which will flow all kinds/types of prayer: praise, thanksgiving, petition, confession, intercession, etc.
2. Unconfessed sin blocks our relationship with God; hence, the effectiveness of prayer is negatively affected by sin and disobedience. And we must never forget that this also means the importance of granting forgiveness to those who have wronged us.
3. The Spirit was given to us both to pray *for* us and to pray *through* us. It is impossible for us to pray as we should if we are not vitally connected to and obedient to Him.
4. Jesus demonstrated that prayer is sometimes private and sometimes public, and it involves times of sorrow as well as times of great joy.
5. When God instructs us to pray, He is inviting us to be involved in His work and mission in the world. Could it be that our lack of prayer actually keeps some of His will from being done?
6. Our enemy Satan works hard at keeping us too busy or distracted to pray since he is fully aware of the power of prayer even when we may not be.
7. When we tap into the power of God through prayer, we ourselves experience many blessings He desires to give us, including the very transformation of our spirits into His likeness. Could it be that healing, wisdom, peace and strength, as well as other blessings from God, never reach us because we fail to receive them through prayer?

8. Since we were created for fellowship with God, what better way is there to do that than in prayer? And listening may be more vital in prayer than talking.
9. When we are united in prayer with fellow believers, the very presence of God Himself is in our midst.
10. Watching and praying are two major things that keep us from succumbing to Satan's tricks and schemes. Why do we leave ourselves so vulnerable to these harmful forces by failing to pray as we should?
11. Prayer should never be mindless rambling or vain repetition. We will not be heard simply because we keep requesting the same things.
12. Prayer is not a sign of weakness but an evidence of faith. To admit that we need God is the door through which His strength and power may enter our lives.
13. Prayer without humility and obedience is simply our attempt to convince God to do what we think is best for us. It can in fact be the most selfish act in which we engage.
14. There is nothing too big for God to handle and nothing too small to bring to Him. Trying to help Him do something we want to happen, in our way or within our time frame, is both foolish and prideful.
15. Prayer is both the sweetest taste of heavenly blessing available to the believer and the hardest spiritual warfare you and I will ever wage.

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