



January 2017 - Prayer Focus

National Prayer Directive - from the Office of the National Overseer Bishop Tedroy Powell and supported by the National Prayer Team. Please note that the prayer directives from our International Office is also posted on the website and where possible to be included in your daily prayers.

Our corporate International Prayer and fasting focus will commence 2nd January through to Sunday 22nd January 2017. After much reflection and prayers I have considered the following prayer points as a foundation upon which our corporate church can reflect and add supplementary prayer directives:

The theme for this year and also our corporate prayer and fasting event on the 21st January is; ***United for Purpose.***

Our key scripture text is 2 Chronicles 20:4. This passage of scripture illustrates a scenario in which the tribe of Judah became united, when faced with overwhelming adversarial forces. What do we do (corporate church) when faced with adverse conditions? The leadership, (prophetic, priestly and administrative) came from ALL the cities in Judah in ONE place, in the House of Lord, before the new court, to seek the face of the Lord. Let us learn (*observe, interpret, evaluate and apply*) from this scenario, which was written for our learning. We like Jehoshaphat and the eldership of Judah, must respond to our current situations and seek the face of the Lord. 1) Leadership a) That all our leaders will have the anointing of discipline to dedicate themselves afresh to the cause of advancing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. b) That we will be united in belief, behaviour and breakthrough for fulfilment of our purpose. c) That our International, Area, National and Regional Bishops be united in our understanding and operation of Spiritual and moral authority. d) That all Pastors, ministers and lay ministers will unite in pursuing our corporate vision 2) Corporate a) That all local churches be Lighthouses; illuminating their communities, by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ and positive engagement in socio-economic renewal. b) That our regional collaborative church work be strategic, impactful and relevant c) That our national and international missions may grow in influence across nations and continents. Church of God of Prophecy Trust (UK)

d) That we may attain and operate in the spirit of excellence at local, regional, national and international levels of corporate operations. e) That all our ministries will operate with greater efficiency and effectiveness. 3) Ecumenical a) That we (CoGoP UK et al) may agree on and explore strategies that highlights Christian unity and purpose. 4) Socio-Economic a) That we will maximise our socio-economic interventions through RAFFA and other corporate coordinated social action initiatives. Structure

a) Prayer of cleansing/repentance (Lead by Presiding Bishop, Regional Overseers and Senior Bishops)

b) Corporate (*National*) Prayer Movement leadership team

c) Praying and anointing for Pastors, Ministers, Lay-Ministers and congregation

Financial Support

Our Corporate Prayer Movement leadership team has been working on a principle of £25.00 from each local church as a means of defraying all the costs associated with this event. I fully endorse this plan and have asked our Regional Overseers to dialogue with each pastor in their Region to ensure that the full amount is realized.

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 you 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 God that the “heart’s desire” of your church would be to pray for the unsaved and that He would give your church practical opportunities to reach out to your community (Romans 10:1, 1 Timothy 2:1, 3, 4).

PRAYING FOR OUR GLOBAL FAMILY

Join with us in lifting up the nations of Africa, Asia, and Europe/CIS/Middle East. These nations include:

Africa	Liberia	Hawaii	Bulgaria
Angola	Malawi	India	Czech Republic
Benin	Mali	Indonesia	Cyprus
Botswana	Mozambique	Kiribati	Egypt
Burundi	Namibia	Japan	Finland
Burkina Faso	Niger	Malaysia	France
Cameroon	Nigeria	Myanmar	Georgia
Cape Verde	Rwanda	Nepal	Germany
Central African Republic	Senegal	New Zealand	Greece
Chad	Sierra Leone	Pakistan	Hungary
Congo Brazzaville	South Africa	Philippines	Israel
Democratic Republic of Congo	Sudan	Samoan Islands	Italy
Congo	Swaziland	Singapore	Kazakhstan
Djibouti	Tanzania	South Korea	Malta
Ethiopia	Togo	Sri Lanka	The Netherlands
Gabon	Uganda	Thailand	Portugal
Gambia	Zambia	Tuvalu	Romania
Ghana	Zimbabwe		Russia
Guinea Bissau		Europe/CIS/Middle East	Spain
Guinea Conakry	Asia, Australia, and Oceania	Armenia	Ukraine
Guinea-Equatorial	Oceania	Azerbaijan	United Kingdom of Great Britain
Ivory Coast	Australia	Belarus	Uzbekistan
Kenya	Eastern Asia	Belgium	
Lesotho	Fiji Islands	Bosnia Herzegovina	



UNITED
IN PRAYER
 CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
WEEK 1
JANUARY 5-11

21 DAYS
 OF PRAYER

CORE VALUE TARGET: PRAYER
GLOBAL FAMILY TARGETS:
AFRICA, ASIA, EUROPE/CIS/MIDDLE EAST

Jesus said, “My house will be called a house of prayer” (Matthew 21:13 NIV). Scripture tells us that the early church was “devoted to prayer” (Acts 1:14, 2:42, 6:4). It is the desire of the Father that every church today be the same. Becoming a people devoted to prayer requires more than programs and good intentions. It requires a faithful, intentional obedience in seeking the Father daily. This week, we invite you to join us daily as we petition the Father that our churches would be “houses of prayer” and that as individuals we would be devoted to prayer.