Prayer Walk Guide

Taking our prayers to the very places where we desire to see God's presence manifested and our prayers answered.

How it Works

Prepare Spiritually

1. **Know you are sent by God.** Don't make this commitment for any other reason than you are following God's leading.
2. **Know you are clean and covered.** Be sure you're in good relationship with God. Prepare your heart by praying and studying His Word. Confess your sins to allow Him to use you and work through you. (See Psalm 66:18; Psalm 51:10-13)
   - Pray in repentance and faith (Mark 1:15)
   - Pray for God's Spirit to search your heart (Psalm 139:24-25)
   - Confess and forsake all known sin (1 John 1:9)
   - Pray for a sensitivity to God's work (John 17:24)
   - Pray for open doors to share Jesus (Colossians 4:2; Acts 4:31)
   - Pray for spiritual eyes to pray strategically (Ephesians 1:1)
3. **Know God's Guidance.** Ask God to guide, direct, lead, and impress you with His agenda for His people.
4. **Know Your Mission.** Prayer-walking is an act of worship and obedience. God wants to use you to advance His Kingdom.
   - Expect that He will help you see the true spiritual needs and battles to be won for people who need breakthrough.
   - Expect that He will act.
   - Expect that He will hear your prayers.
   - Expect that He will use you to love His people.

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Points As You Walk

- As you walk, **keep your eyes open and be observant.** Ask God to let you see through His eyes and pray His agenda.
- **Take your Bible and pray scripture** as a base for strategic prayer.
- **Remain open to the thoughts and ideas God may be speaking** to your heart about what you see, scriptures which come to mind, and insights about the people in the area.
- **Pray aloud and agree with one another's prayers.** Verbalizing your prayers helps you to focus on the objective of prayer.
- **Make it a prayer conversation with the Lord and your team.** You can also pray silently at times.
- **Walk slowly** to allow time to observe and cover the community in prayer. The key is intercession for people.
- **Claim God's love and compassion to remove spiritual blinders and barriers** that hinder people from Jesus.
- Pray for **people, marriages, families, businesses, government, and leaders.**
- Pray for **police officers, firefighters, and first responders**.
- Pray that **churches will be effective in reaching their communities** for Christ.
- Pray for **hearts to be open to the gospel** and that **God's people will live on mission** in that area.
- When you walk past a school, pray over the **teachers, administrators, and students.**
- Pray for **revival and spiritual awakening** for the city.
- Pray that **God removes spiritual blinders and the barriers** that hinder people from knowing Jesus.
- Pray **God's blessing over people, homes, and businesses** you encounter.
- Take time to **praise God for what you see**. You may see people out serving others, a full church parking lot, or a family laughing and playing in the yard. **If there's something good, pure, and worthy of praise, thank God for it!**

Praying for the Lost

Hearts
Pray for receptive hearts (Luke 8:5-15)

Eyes and Ears
Pray for their spiritual eyes and ears to be opened (Matthew 13:15; 2 Corinthians 4:3-4)

Attitude
Pray for unbelievers to have and understand God's attitude toward sin (John 16:8)

Released
Pray for the lost to be released from barriers and strongholds that hinder faith (2 Timothy 2:25-26)

Transforming
Pray for unbelievers to experience a transforming life in Christ (Romans 12:1-2)

Sent
Pray for Christian witnesses to be sent to share Christ with the lost (Matthew 9:35-38)

Praying for the Christians

- Pray for believers to be **renewed in the joy of God's salvation** (Psalm 51:10-13)
- Pray for believers to **live a Christ-like character before the world** (John 17:11)
- Pray that Christians will **experience the joy of Jesus in their lives** (John 17: 13)
- Pray for **divine protection from Satan** (John 17:15)
- Pray that **believers will live set apart and holy lives** in Christ (John 17: 17)
- Pray for Christians to **be united in mission and purpose** (John 17: 20-21)
- Pray that believers will **join Christ in His redemptive work** (John 17: 24)

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