



# THE WATCH FOR AWAKENING 24/7 PRAYER

## PRAYER GUIDE: PENTECOST to MIDSUMMER

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### OPENING THE WATCH WITH THE WORD & SPIRIT

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#### THE WATCHWORDS FOR PENTECOST

*Read the following Scripture texts aloud as a way of preparing to enter into this prayer watch.*

I have posted watchmen on your walls, Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the Lord, give yourselves no rest, and give him no rest till he establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth. —Isaiah 62:6-7

Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you. —Ephesians 5:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. —2 Chronicles 7:14

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. —Colossians 4:2

If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. —John 15:7-8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. —Acts 1:8

#### THE PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love.  
Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy Your consolations.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **LET US ENTER THE GATES OF THE LORD WITH THANKSGIVING AND HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE**

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*After praying the Psalm, allow time for prayers of praise and thanksgiving, blessing the Lord for who he is and all he has done.*

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving

and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures for ever;

his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 100:3-5

## **LET US PRAY FOR THE HEALING OF BOTH THE HISTORICAL AND PRESENT DAY BROKENNESS AROUND RACE, INJUSTICE AND OPPRESSION IN THE UNITED STATES.**

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*At this point of spontaneous prayer we invite you to take whatever posture of prayer is most comfortable. You may kneel, or bow your head, or you may even get on the floor away from the screen.*

You may find the following prayer prompts helpful:

- Let us begin by lifting our hearts up to the Lord in humility, asking him to search our hearts, sift our own unexamined prejudices, and heal our brokenness; particularly as it comes to race and racial conflict and strife.
- Let us pray for a breaking of the cycle of generational sin which has been passed down through our history as the sins of the fathers and mothers have been visited on successive generations; even to the present day.
- Let us pray for a healing of our collective national memory around racial injustices and oppression both personal and systemic.
- Let us confess the truth that all persons of all races are created in the image of God and are thereby worthy of love, honor, respect and dignity.
- Let us renounce the lie that one race is inferior or superior to any other race of people.
- Let us renounce the lie that because we did not participate in the sins and injustices of our forebears that we are not complicit in them.
- Let us renounce the lie that because we do not feel personally at fault in the present racial crisis in our nation that we have no personal responsibility in helping to bring healing.
- Let us take up a posture of intercession, identifying with the pain of our African American brothers and sisters in the horrific death of George Floyd at the hands of law enforcement officers and the now long history of such incidences in this country.
- Let us stand watch in solidarity by saying aloud the names of those lives who have been lost in recent times: George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Trayvon Martin, Tamir Rice, Breonna Taylor, Eric Garner, Michael Brown. And so many more.
- We pray for law enforcement officers across this country, that the Lord would assuage their fears, calm their anxieties, guard their hearts and renew their minds as they face mass condemnation and scorn because of the sins of the comparatively few among them.

- Let us pray for the Holy Spirit union of justice and peace to descend upon our land, settle in our homes and neighborhoods and rise up in our streets and that violence, destruction and chaos would be quelled.
- Let us pray for real and lasting repentance in response to this crisis on the part of the whole citizenry and for a resurgence of awakening to follow.
- Let us pray for a spirit of humility and patience among the white community in this country and a willingness to listen deeply and empathically to the pain and losses of members of the African American community.

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## **LET US OFFER PRAYERS OF GRATITUDE AND ONGOING PETITION CONCERNING THE COVID-19 CRISIS (10 MINUTES)**

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You may find the following prayer prompts helpful:

- Gratitude for stemming the tide of the loss of life from the virus.
- Gratitude for empowering the health care community to serve heroically
- Gratitude for the economic recovery under way around the world.
- Gratitude for businesses re-opening and people returning to work and renewed confidence in social interaction.
- Pray for comfort for all who have lost loved ones and the lack of opportunity to grieve and properly mark the milestone and gravity of their lives.
- Pray for those who have lost jobs and businesses and not been able to recover in a significant measure. Pray for the Lord to restore what has been lost.
- Pray for an outpouring of blessing and reward on all who have served so valiantly to care for us in these days, including health care workers, Public safety officers, grocery store employees, food service workers, etc.
- Pray for a speedy and successful vaccine to be developed that can be quickly and successfully deployed.

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## **LET US PRAY FOR A GREAT AWAKENING IN OUR LAND AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

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### **PRAY FOR AWAKENING IN HEARTS**

- For God to awaken us from slumber
- For God to raise the level of holy discontent within us that we might long for more of God
- For God to manifest the fruit of the Spirit in us and the gifts of the Spirit through us
- For God to awaken us to our belovedness in the midst of our brokenness
- For God to give us a hunger for his Word and a thirst for his Spirit like never before

### **PRAY FOR AWAKENING IN HOMES**

- For God's presence to fill our homes
- For the strengthening of marriages in Christ
- For the hearts of fathers and mothers to be turned to their children
- For all family members to experience saving grace and for all to be taught the Christian faith in their homes that they would grow in wisdom, stature and the favor of God and people
- Pray for any personal needs in your family (provision, employment, reconciliation, peace, sickness, mental illness, or others struggles)

### **PRAY FOR AWAKENING IN CHURCHES**

- For a joyful unified recognition of Jesus Christ as Lord
- For a hungering and thirsting after the Word of God and the Spirit of God in our local churches
- For a deepened appetite for prayer to arise and be mobilized in our churches
- For our churches to become agencies of all manner of healing in our communities
- For banded discipleship to take root that brings deep wholeness to people

### **PRAY FOR AWAKENING IN TOWNS AND CITIES**

- For local churches to move toward one another in unity for the sake awakening in the larger community in which they are located
- For God to bring awakening to Jesus Christ through his Spirit upon our city, town, and region (name where you live)
- For many to come to faith in Jesus Christ
- For the Kingdom of God to break in on towns and cities with all manner of transformation in every sector of society
- For the delivering work of the Holy Spirit to set people free from all manner of addiction, bondage and strongholds of sin

## **CLOSING THE WATCH**

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### **PRAYER FOR ONE ANOTHER:**

Thank you Father for meeting with us in this time of watching and praying. We close by praying for any and everyone who has joined during this particular time of prayer, near and far.

*If praying with a group, each person pray for another person by name. If praying alone, pray for others who are also keeping the watch for awakening.*

*Close out with the Lord's Prayer.*