



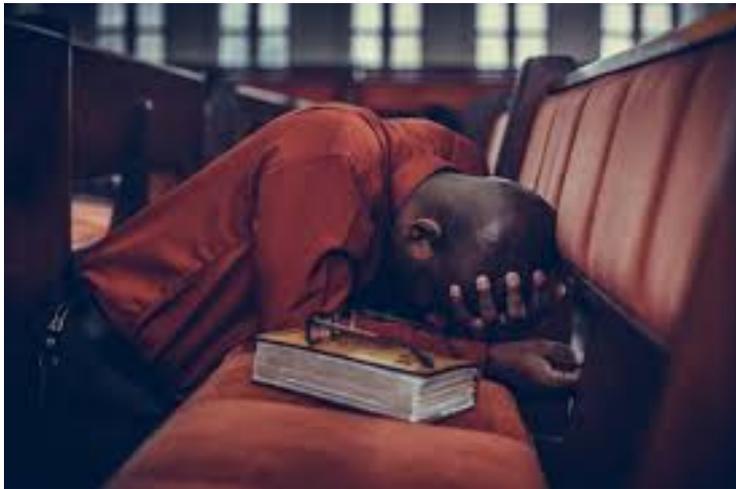
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Sunday 1 September 2019

## Prayer is God's divine plan

*I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands... (1 Timothy 2:8).*



*...men always ought to pray and not lose heart. (Luke 18:1). Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit... (Ephesians 6:18).*

*“Prayer is not our message; it is the method of God for the message. Everything is by prayer. I did not even read the Book of Acts in Seminary. I had always considered it a historical document. When I got into it later, it was a brand-new*

*book to me! I discovered that the method of the Spirit of God in that Book was a prayer method, and I started praying for a spiritual awakening.*

*About that time, I began to read everything I could find by [Charles G. Finney](#). I discovered that his revivals were based on prayer; that the spirit of prayer is the spirit of revival. Then I met an old Methodist lay preacher, and through him, I learned that in the early American revivals they used to major in prayer- nights of prayer, all kinds of prayer! The evangelists would preach on the subject. And as in the Book of Acts, they “continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread in prayers.”*

*So, I came to have a kind of vision of prayer - not a picture vision, but an inward vision. I sensed that if God is going to do it, it has to be by prayer. Prayer is not just a good idea- it is His divine plan.” **UNKNOWN***



## God Story: Pray for persecutors

Monday 2 September 2019

### Salvation focus: Farm workers

*But from there you will seek the LORD your God, and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul. When you are in distress, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, when you turn to the LORD your God and obey His voice (for the LORD your God is a merciful God), He will not forsake you nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers which He swore to them. (Deuteronomy 4:29-31).*



Not all farm workers have it easy. Many only have a job during harvest time. Others, work for years on end on the same farm, bringing up their children there. Pray for farm workers and their wives and children. Ask for farmers to be deliberate in bringing the gospel to their workers and discipling them long-term in the ways of the Lord. Pray for farm workers to come to the Lord Jesus and be living testimonies of God's love and kindness, especially towards farmers who act without empathy or mercy, so that they too might find Christ.

Tuesday 3 September 2019

### Focus on Faith issues: Heaven



Heaven is not an imaginary place, it is a literal place because the Bible tells us so, and Jesus Himself said that He would prepare a place in heaven for those who believe Him and surrender completely to Him. *In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.* (John 14:2).

The Bible tells us that God set 'a firmament in the midst of the waters', divided 'the waters from the waters', and 'called the firmament Heaven' (Genesis 1:6-8). The word 'firmament' comes from the Hebrew word meaning 'firm' or 'fixed'. The God of heaven wants to capture our souls. The key to finding heaven is finding Christ.

We easily put our trust in a GPS that tells us when and in which direction to turn to reach our destination. How much more should we trust God's GPS that will bring us safely to our eternal destination in heaven? It has only one Navigator, namely the Lord Jesus Christ. He appoints the time of arrival and has prepared all that is necessary to welcome us. Pray that the Holy Spirit will convince people of the authenticity and truth of God's Word and eternity. Ask that God would reveal Himself as our heavenly Father who holds the future in His hands and who has a place for us in heaven.

Wednesday 4 September 2019

### Focus on South Africa: Childhood cancer awareness month

I have set the LORD always before me; because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved. (Psalm 16:8). Please pray for every child who has cancer. Pray for their salvation, and ask God to strengthen them and their families. Pray for them to be free of pain and discomfort and to have joy and hope in their hearts, despite their suffering. Pray for financial provision to cover the costs of their treatment. Some parents lose their jobs and businesses due to their child's high medical costs. Ask for God's peace that surpasses all understanding to be evident in their lives. Pray for Christians to heal the sick everywhere they

