PRAYER JOURNEY:

How to Guide Your Church through Prayer Using Prayer Stations

Picture of our Prayer station 2

Close up picture of Station 7

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How and why we set up Prayer Stations. . . .

Our Story:

We praise God for how He has worked in Skagit Valley, Washington state! He has brought pastors together and now He is bringing His Church together in prayer!

This Prayer Guide is a result of His working through several people to help provide direction, to broaden and deepen prayer paths, as it were; to share our deepest needs, to unite us as one body - the Body of Christ.

A little history on how this came about: The Prayer Guide was a vehicle created to facilitate a 24 hour prayer commitment at our church, Faith Community Fellowship in Mt. Vernon, WA, between National Day of Prayer and Global Day of Prayer, 2006; a time period of 31 days. (The county was victorious in covering the 31 days with prayer 24/7! Over 20 churches of many denominations, some large, many small, participated, some more than once.)

The response at Faith was most gratifying:

"I wondered how I would pray for one hour - I stayed for two!"

"That was wonderful! I learned so much!"

"The pastor wanted the stations left up through Sunday so more could participate"!

"Parents returned bringing their children and guiding them through the stations"!

Today, the Prayer Stations are set up and used at least once a year at Faith, always for NDP.

In 2007 for NDP, several churches around the county also set up Prayer Stations, thereby allowing those living or working in that area an opportunity to drop in and pray.

And Your Church Can, Too . . . Here's How:

At Faith Community Fellowship, we set up eight stations around the perimeter of the sanctuary to lead the intercessors into a progressively enriched meeting with Jesus Christ. Each station builds on the former to come full-circle from Praise to Praise. Following is the station outline and a list of suggested props representative of each station. A more detailed format in grid-style is included following these pages.

Close up of station 5

1.PRAISE OUR MIGHTY GOD - the Bible, opened to any praise passage

2, PREPARE THE HEART - pitcher & bowl, towel

3. PUT ON CHRIST & BE FILLED - kid's version of armor: helmet, shield, sword, small Bible

4. PERSONAL PETITION & PRAYER - table, chair, photo frame. **Journal for prayer needs** *(You will need four.)*

5. PETITION & PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH - your church directory, yellow pages of county churches. **Journal for prayer needs**

6. PETITION & PRAYER FOR CITY, COUNTY, STATE - city map, local events; state flag. **Journal for prayer needs**

6. PETITION & PRAYER FOR UNITED STATES & WORLD - flag, globe or world map with known prayer needs attached to particular country, area. **Journal for prayer needs**

7. PRAISE & THANKSGIVING, Time of Reflection - mirror, cross, Bible, love banner, communion cup/bread (optional).

See the Chart on the Following Page for a One Page Set-Up Guide:
Set Up Notes:

If sanctuary is available, begin at center or pulpit area for Station 1; place other stations clockwise around perimeter of sanctuary, ending back near the center with Station 8. (Begin at Cross, end at Cross)

The Stations could also be set up in a long hallway; or in 2-3 rooms. Plan to use the space you have. It will work!

A welcoming sign with directions on where to begin in foyer/hallway is a helpful addition.
Nice additions: Electric candles at each station (check for plug ins); table coverings appropriate to station; anything to personalize, add comfort/ease, create ambiance - be creative and enjoy! May God be glorified!

Re: the Scroll. Used to record any word, impression, vision received from the Lord for His people. We made this using dowels and newsprint. We used a half roll (width about 16 inches) of roll-end newsprint from our local newspaper.

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For more information on setting up Prayer Stations at your church, email Joan Johnson: joanlj@comcast.net.

PRAYER STATION SET-UP

	Station 1 Praise	Station 2 Clean Heart	Station 3 Armor of God	Station 4 Family, Friends	Station 5 Church	Station 6 City, County, State	Station 7 US and World	Station 8 Praise, Thanksgiving, Go
7-8 Small Tables	Or Podium	Yes	Yes + Chair	Yes + Chair	Yes + Chair	Yes + Chair	Yes + Chair	Yes
8 Notebooks 8 Pens	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	**Yes *Scroll**
8 Bibles	Open to Psalm 84	Open to Psalm 139:23,24	Open to I Thess. 5:19	Open to Col. 1:9-12	Open to Eph. 4:3,4	Open to Isaiah 52:1-3	Open to Isaiah 56:7	Open to Psalm 1 or 2
Pitcher, bowl, towel, tissue		Yes						
Kids' Armor of God (Eph. 6:10-18)			Yes					
Picture frame(s), table setting				Yes				
Pictorial, Pix of Church, Directory					Yes			
Local info, Map, State Flag, flowers						Yes		
US Flag, Globe/world map							Yes	
Cross, Mirror, Cup, Tray for Communion								Yes
Prayer Station Guide in sleeve	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Large Numbers at each station See**	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

STATION 1

WELCOME! OUR LORD GREETS YOU WITH HIS PRESENCE!

Begin here:

PRAISE OUR MIGHTY GOD

Song of Praise: "I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart,

I will enter His courts with praise!

I will say this is the day that the Lord has made!

I will rejoice for He has made me glad!

(Chorus): He has made me glad, He has made me glad!

I will rejoice for He has made me glad!" (Repeat chorus)

Getting Started

When we set aside time to meet with God in a quiet place, He will be there, opening our minds and hearts. At first, many people struggle to settle racing thoughts and calm a body that wants to jump up and do something. But meditating is doing. By focusing on God's Word, we are learning more and increasing our thirst for Him. As we discipline our minds and bodies to meditate, we begin reaping the spiritual benefits of increased discernment and a clear sense of purpose.

Praise Him!

Praise is to recognize God for what He is. Praise is 'making of glory'. Praise, then, is that aspect of prayer that gives glory to God. It is recognizing God as the sovereign Creator and Ruler of the universe. Give God glory as our King.

Scripture: 'Shout joyfully to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious. . Come, see the works of God. . He rules by His might forever" (Ps.66:1-2, 5,7)

Songs of Praise: "Let there be glory and honor and praises;

Glory and honor to Jesus; Glory, honor, Glory and honor to Him!"

"All hail, King Jesus! All hail, Emmanuel! King of kings, Lord of lords,

Bright morning star. Throughout eternity I'm going to praise Him,

And reign with Him throughout eternity!"

Praise is the aspect of prayer that loves God for all His goodness. Praise is not begging God, but loving God. It is the laying aside of our demands so we can fellowship with Him. Not only does praise share love with God, but this love is on the highest level of intimacy. To possess a true 'spirit of praise' we become so intimate with our Father that we rarely pass through an experience without sharing it with Him. Lovers discuss

even the most incidental of events that happen; so it is with the ministry of praise. Thank Him for His great love for you; His grace and mercy; His lovingkindness.

Scripture:

'Praise the Lord! Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; For His lovingkindness is everlasting. (Ps.106:1)

'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through Him. (Jn. 3:16,17)

Songs of Praise: "His Love Endures Forever" , "Your Lovingkindness is Greater Than Life"

"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so - I'm redeemed, I'm redeemed, I'm redeemed!"

"Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong. They are weak but He is strong!

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so!"

3. Praise is to vocalize our love for God. The emphasis of a particular thought or petition seems to be stronger when it is vocalized. This is even more true in the case of praise. Love is given special meaning when it is vocalized. We know that God knows we love Him. He knows our deepest thoughts. But the love we have for our Heavenly Father is greatly enriched with vocalized praise which Scripture calls the 'fruit of our lips.' (Heb. 13:15) Tell Him how much you love Him. Sing His praises. Adore Him!

Scripture: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind . . Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt. 22:37, 39)

Songs of Praise: "How Great Thou Art", "He's Alive!", "He Lives"

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As you move forward through confession and intercession,

bring praise with you. Just as you need both hands to clap,

so praise accompanies every part of prayer.

With your heart filled with our God and His Love, move on to Station 2.

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STATION 2

Prepare the Heart

Coming Before Him Psalm 51:1-13

Scripture: *'O Lord, be gracious to me; heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.'* (Ps.41:4)

*__Repentance__: Confess your lack of faith; confess the sin that grips you (obtuseness, anger at someone or circumstances, compromise, unfaithfulness, pride); receive God's forgiveness; listen to His still small voice; and pledge to follow Him. Next, strengthen yourself in the Lord :

*__Recall__ His past faithfulness (what He has done for you);

*__Reflect__ upon His power (omnipotent, all-powerful); and

*__Remember__ His promises (ever faithful, never changing). Now you can center attention upon Him instead of your troubles. Finally,

*__Resolve__ to trust God for the future, and ask His Holy Spirit for help. (Mark 9:24 *'I do believe, help my unbelief.'* *(from Charles Stanley's In Touch Magazine, March 2006)*

"I long for . . .
the wind of His spirit to breathe calmness into the chaos of my life;
the fullness of His wisdom to order the thoughts in my mind;
the sufficiency of His strength to undergird the weakness of my body;
the abundance of His blessing to saturate the poverty of my spirit;
the joy of His will to give rich pleasure to my journey;
the refuge of His arms to shield me from my fears;
the gentleness of His touch to reawaken the feelings of my heart;
the compassion of His heart to enfold me and hold me close.
I long for the quickening of personal revival. I long to see
Jesus . . . again." *--Anne Graham Lotz*

Scripture: Psalm 32

Song: "Create In Me A Clean Heart"

With your heart cleansed and pure,
move on to STATION 3 . . . . .

STATION 3

PUT ON CHRIST AND BE FILLED

'But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.'
(Rom. 13:14)

Praying With Power
God's power is released in response to our zealous desire for His intervention. A fervent petitioner, believing his Lord will intercede, falls on his knees, determined to pray through every barrier that Satan erects. He stops only when God answers or if the Father makes clear that the request is outside His will. Wise believers devote time and energy to requests of great importance. Through our relationship with Christ, we have been made righteous, which means that we have the opportunity to tap the Lord's supernatural power through prayer.

Scripture: *'And whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.'* (Jn. 14:13,14)

Getting Dressed for Battle
We live in a spiritual war zone. Every time we get on our knees, we are doing business with God, but we are also doing battle with the Devil. As a result, we must expect interference and harassment. Satan knows that a devotedly prayerful person is dangerous. Such an individual is enjoying a deep, peaceful relationship with God that translates into a passion for obedience and a powerful witness. If you would like to be "devoted and dangerous", make prayer your top priority. Set aside a time and place to meet with God; He will be there.

Oswald Chambers reminds us: 'You have to wrestle *against* the things that prevent you from getting to God, and you wrestle in prayer *for* other souls; but never say that you wrestle *with* God in prayer, it is scripturally untrue. Be one who wrestles before God with things, becoming more than a conqueror through Him. Wrestling before God tells in His Kingdom. If you ask me to pray for you and I am not complete in Christ, I may pray but it avails nothing; but if I am complete in Christ, my prayer prevails all the time. Prayer is only effective when there is completeness – *"Therefore put on the whole armor of God . . . ."'*

Scripture Prayer: Putting on the Armor of God

Ephesians 6:10-18 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the ***whole armor of God****, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore,* ***having girded your waist with truth****, having* ***put on the breastplate of righteousness****, and having* ***shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace****; above all,* ***taking the shield of faith*** *with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And* ***take the helmet of salvation****, and* ***sword of the spirit, which is the word of God****;* ***praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit****, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints. . .*

Ask to be Filled with the Holy Spirit
Yes, you received the Holy Spirit when Jesus came into your heart. Now, (daily) request His Presence, His power to overcome you and fill you to do our Lord's good and perfect will. Believe, and move into the battle

with the Lord girding you, for He will never leave you nor forsake you.

Scripture: *'but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual song, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ.'* (Eph. 5:18b-21)

Songs: "Onward Christian Soldiers", "We are the Army of God"

God is with you, ready for battle, as you move on to STATION 4 . . . . .

STATION 4

PERSONAL PETITION & PRAYER
Prayer for spouse, children, family members, friends, work, business, your home, neighbors, neighborhood; any who do not yet know the Lord.

Changing People Through Prayer - Believers and Unbelievers
Too often believers are lazy in prayer. We say, "Lord bless so-and-so" without giving a single thought to what form the blessing should take. God does not work in generalities; He makes deliberate movements in every person's life. And He is pleased when we use His Word in communicating with Him. The prayer from Colossians 1 includes God's greatest desires for His children. When we insert the name of a friend or family member in this passage, we are praying His specific will for that person. In His time, God answers the Colossians prayer with a transformation of the one whose name is being called. He delights in responding positively to a request that someone be filled with knowledge of His will and a desire to please Him!

Scripture Prayer: ***Colossians 1:9-12*** *For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for _____, and to ask that _____ may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that _____ may have a walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy; giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.*

Thoughts: As you pray, what is God telling you about a particular situation in your family, or neighborhood? Are you listening? Is the answer to be found in Scripture? How would He have you act upon that situation? What is your answer to Him?

How to Pray for Your Family: In today's dangerous world, cry out to the Lord with passion for those you love! Contend for them! Pray protection from worldly values; courage to stand for Christ; strength for the long haul; reassurance that God is the victor and will return for His people!

Growth steps in the early life of Jesus (see Luke 2:52) show us key ways to pray for one's family. Pray that your family will grow as follows:

SPIRITUALLY (in favor with God).
SOCIALLY (in favor with man).
MENTALLY (increasing in wisdom).
PHYSICALLY (increasing in stature, i.e., good health).

Scripture: *'Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God'* (Phil. 4:6)

Songs: "Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World", "We Are the Family of God"

****Enter any prayer requests in the Prayer Journal.**

The battle continues, the Church is next ; move on to STATION 5 . . . .

STATION 5

PETITION & PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

FOR OUR CHURCH and CHURCHES THROUGHOUT HIS KINGDOM:

A. Ask God for leaders who pray! *"We will give ourselves continually to prayer . " (Acts 6:4).*
B. Ask God for saints who serve! *"Bear ye one another's burdens . . " (Gal. 6:2).*
C. Ask God for people who praise His Name! *"You are a royal priesthood . . to show forth His praises" (1 Pet. 2:9).*

Scripture Prayer: ***Ephesians 3:14-22*** *'For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of division between us, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.*

'Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a habitation of God in the Spirit.'

HOW TO PRAY FOR SPIRITUAL AWAKENING: From the earliest days of the New Testament Church to this very moment in history, prayer has played a vital role in all true spiritual awakening. God's fullness, indeed, comes only through prayer. Following are four biblical areas of focus to help you claim a fresh outpouring of God's Spirit on His Church throughout the world. In the sense that the early settlers drove stakes in the ground to gain rights to a property (a claim or deed), you are being asked to stake a claim for you and all of God's Church.

A. First - claim a spirit of HUMBLE REPENTANCE throughout Christ's Body!
"If my people . . shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways . . ." (II Chron. 7:14).
B. Second - claim a spirit of HUNGRY DESPERATION throughout Christ's Body!
"And you shall seek Me, and find Me, when you shall search for Me with all your heart" (Jer. 29:13).
C. Third - claim a spirit of HELPFUL GENEROSITY throughout Christ's Body!
"If you draw out your soul to the hungry . . the Lord shall guide you. . and satisfy your soul . . ." (Is. 58:10-12).
D. Fourth - claim a spirit of HOLY UNITY throughout Christ's Body! *"I pray for them . . that they all may be one . . " (John 17:20,21).*

PRAY FOR THE LOST: This requires passion and faith. Dutch Sheets says, "I want you to believe God is so passionately in love with people that when you cry for those you love, you realize you're really helping *Him* cry." He goes on, "It is imperative that we ask in faith when we pray for salvation of the people we love. We must be convinced that God will answer our prayers, or we will not be sufficiently motivated to ask or to do so with persevering faith. And it is also true that unbelief will block the power of God from being released to answer the prayer." (See Jas. 1:6,7)

Scripture: *'And it shall be, that everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.'* (Acts 2:21) *'And all those who had believed were together, . . And day by day continuing with one mind . . . together with glad-*

ness and sincerity of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.' (Acts 2:44, 46-47)

Song: "Come to Jesus"

DAYS OF PRAYER BLESSING: Scripture: *". . people cried out . . the Lord thundered from heaven . ."* (*Psalm 18:6-18).* How is your church involved in prayer? Is there a thirst for more of Him?

GLOBAL DAY of PRAYER - Pentecost Sunday! Scripture: *"For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."* (Hab. 2:14) 'PRAYERS toward a GREATER PENTECOST!' is the current theme as the world meets to pray each year on Pentecost Sunday.

Followed by 90 DAYS OF BLESSING: The goal is to use these national and global events to strategically facilitate change in our communities, our state, our nation. Kick-off event is the National Day of Prayer. Today, **Pray** for the successful formation of a "Transformation Task Force" at each level of society: city, county, state. **Pray** for leaders to come forth from the seven spheres of society: church, family, business, government, education, media and health care. **Pray** for implementation of strategies that reach out to our communities during the 90 days. **Pray** for continual prayer coverage of all events, for all leaders, for all who will be touched by our Lord.

Songs: "We Want to See Jesus Lifted High", "How Great Thou Art"

****Enter any prayer requests in the Prayer Journal.**

****Enter any impression, word, vision from the Lord on the SCROLL at Station 8**

Battle on for City, County, State; move to STATION 6 . . . . .

STATION 6

PETITION & PRAYER FOR CITY, COUNTY, STATE

From Acts 1:8: Praying for my "Jerusalem" (local issues)! What issues of the day need prayer concentration in our city? We should especially remember those who are hungry, hurting and in prison.

City: City officials, police & firemen, stability of businesses, schools, children & teachers; library & park, recreational, senior facilities; doctors, nurses, health care providers, hospitals, nursing homes, homes for the elderly; daycare facilities & workers; the homeless, those in shelters. Churches. Overall safety & integrity of government, business, media and health care.

Personalize with concerns for your city, neighborhood . . ***Add more in Prayer Journal.***

County: Commissioners, judges, courts, sheriff, law enforcement; jails, juvenile detention; housing, zoning; farmland, crops; manufacturing, other businesses; public safety, transportation.

Drug & alcohol use, especially meth usage & manufacturing. . ***Add more in Prayer Journal.***

State: Elected and appointed officials, lobbyists, governor and staff, court system, state patrol, all military stations, National Guard, all military personnel. . ***Add to Prayer Journal.***

Scripture: *'Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.'* (Heb. 13:17)

We aren't finished yet - the Nation and the World are next, move on to STATION 7 . . . . .

STATION 7

PETITION & PRAYER FOR UNITED STATES AND WORLD

How to Pray for Those in Authority

Scripture: *'First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, in order that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.* (I Timothy 2:1,2)

The life of every citizen of every nation is impacted by a vast multitude of individuals who wield significant influence each day. Consider: millions of elected officials, appointed judges, lawyers, police officers, bureaucrats, military officers, business executives and managers, those involved in church leadership, educators, medical practitioners and hospital administrators. How might we pray for these individuals?

Pray that unjust leaders will make mistakes that help advance the Gospel! (Ps.109:29)
Pray that tyrannical leaders will fall from power through unsound advice! (Ps. 5:10)
Pray that all godly leaders will discover scriptural wisdom to govern their nation! (Prov. 28:2)
Pray that all leaders will receive a personal message of God's love! (Is. 52:15)
Pray that leaders in troubled nations will grow weary of the continuing bloodshed! (I Kings 5:3,4)
Pray that corrupt leaders will recognize their evil ways and turn to God! (II Chron. 33:12,13)
Pray that all leaders will realize that God, alone, gave them their positions! (Dan. 2:19-22)

UNITED STATES

From Acts 1:8: Praying for my 'Judea and Samaria' (regional and national issues)! What serious issues confronting our nation need prayer? ***Record in Prayer Journal.***

Lift up our President and Congress; the Supreme Court, chief justices; the Pentagon; the National Guard, the military establishment, particularly regarding decisions made, and to be made, regarding Israel, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Georgia, other hot points around the globe.

Specifically pray for those serving in the military. *List in Prayer Journal.

National concerns: Newly elected officials, economy, immigration issue, gas prices, Iraqi war, health care; the media, especially television and the internet . . ***Go to Prayer Journal.***

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

The Pledge of Allegiance: *I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. Amen.*

Songs: "God Bless America", "America, the Beautiful"

THE WORLD

It only takes a glance at the morning paper to know how vast sin and suffering is throughout the world: war, signs of war, natural disasters, famine, explosions, fire, vehicular/airplane accidents, exploitation of all ages

for sex, money, 'fun'; murder, mayhem, persecution of Christians, Jews; execution of Christians; slavery, abortions; dishonesty and depravity in all its forms. Yes, the world is a mess! It desperately needs Jesus.

From Acts 1:8: Praying for the "uttermost parts of the earth" (international issues)! What issues of international concern are worthy of my prayers 'today'?

Look on the globe/map and choose specific prayer need areas; pray accordingly and earnestly. If you are aware of additional world concerns, please note them in the **prayer journal** that others may also pray.

How to Pray for World Evangelization: S. D. Gordon said, "The real victory in all service is won beforehand in prayer. Service is merely gathering up the results."

A. First - claim WORKERS for the harvest! (See Matt. 9:38.) *"Pray ye therefore the Lord of harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."* (Will you declare your availability?)
B. Second - claim OPEN DOORS in the harvest! (See Col. 4:2,3.) *"Devote yourselves to prayer . .that God may open . . a door for His Word!"* (Especially pray that doors will open to all still unreached 'hidden people groups' globally.)
C. Third - claim FRUIT in the harvest! (See II Thess. 3:1.) *"Pray that the Word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified . ."* (Pray daily for ministries planting Gospel s seeds!)
D. Fourth - claim FINANCES for the harvest! (see Rom. 10:14,15.) *". .How shall they hear without a preacher? How shall they preach except they be sent? . .* (To give is to send. Pray for more 'senders'!)

Scripture: (for world peace) *Isaiah 2:4b: 'And they will hammer their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation and never again will they learn war.'*

Songs: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands", "Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World"

****Enter any impression, word, vision received from the Lord on the SCROLL at Station 8. Well done, good and faithful servant!**

Now, move on to STATION 8 to finish by praising the Lord for His words to you . . .

STATION 8

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING
A Time of Reflection: Take time to praise the Lord for what He is doing - in you and all around His world. This is your time to *really listen* to His response to your fervent prayers.

*(Disconnect your 'other voices'; **listen** to your LORD for He has a word for you.)*

As you reflect on your time with Jesus and listen to what He would have you know, what words, impressions, Scripture, vision did He impart to you? Consider all eight stations, did the Lord impress some little thing or a big awakening of importance? Were any words of knowledge, or deep feelings, no matter how large or small, given to you? If yes, ask if He would want you to share these.

Please enter what you feel He would have you write for the edification of the Body. (GO TO SCROLL)

FINALLY, ONE LAST THING . . .

"Go ye therefore . . .: Oswald Chambers says, 'Go simply means *live*. Acts 1:8 is the description of how to go.': *'But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me . . . to the end of the earth.'*

May you go now in power from on high, praising our great God!

Scripture Benediction: *'Oh give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples. Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; speak of all His wonders. Glory in His holy name; let the heart of those who seek the Lord be glad. . . For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised. . . Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting even to everlasting.'* (I Chron. 16:8-10, 25, 36)

'Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.' (Eph. 3:20,21)

Songs: "Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty", "Great is the Lord and Greatly to be Praised," "I Want to Sing a Song to You"

Praise God! You did it! May God be glorified through your obedience to His call.