

Strategic Sites Prayer Guidelines .. Gold Coast

Prayer-walking is simply praying as you walk. *It has proven very effective when done on a regular basis.* Many outstanding testimonies of breakthroughs and kingdom advancement have resulted.

It is a creative way of enacting I Timothy 2:1- 4 (I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— ²for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. ³This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, ⁴who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.)

It takes us out from the four walls of the church and releases a new vitality, fervour, interest, and proactive involvement. Different ideas are stimulated in the walk itself.

Before launching out on your walk, meet as a team and pray for the Lord's covering and protection and for His leading on the walk. Pray for divine appointments ...who knows what God may have in store.

Some guidelines:

- Step out knowing that *your* prayers will make a difference!
- Pray in faith – knowing that He who sends you is the Lord of heaven and earth –with Him nothing is impossible!
- Pray God's blessing, mercy, peace, love and goodness over the site– but *then focus on prayer that will turn hearts, open hearts and bring the presence and power of God for harvest, transformation and life* (as set out in the Prayer Points).
- We suggest making a time each week or fortnight to undertake your assignment. Establish a canopy over the area.

Be sensitive to the authorities over the site ... some sites can be accessed easily as visitors (eg Shopping Centres, Sports Centres, Hotels, Beachfront, Southport Broadwater Parklands, Bus & Tram Stations... others like CBUS Stadium, St Hildas School or TSS will be inaccessible. In those cases pray around the area from the outside boundary.

This is more an undercover operation undertaken by the Ambassadors of the King (members of the royal priesthood.) Our purpose is to usher in the Lord's presence over the area and pray for His authority to hold sway there.

- Go out in 2's or 3's ...remember Prayer is a conversation and as you walk you are conversing with the Lord. Pray back and forth as you walk along. (To those watching it will seem you are conversing with one another.)
- Pray with your eyes open alert to whatever the Lord may draw to your attention.
- Pray as the Holy Spirit leads you.
- *A pitfall:* Don't allow your prayer-walking to become a mobile fellowship time! The focus should be upon the prayer objective – not ourselves.

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Build your prayer on:

1. Communion with the Father
2. Remember if we want the darkness to flee we need to turn on the light (not focus on chasing the darkness.)

Through prayer the aim is to affect the spiritual climate of an area - so that people have a greater opportunity to respond to the Kingdom of light.

WHAT TO PRAY:

We have included here a number of suggestions giving scope for variety as you go out on several occasions. Under the leading of the Holy Spirit other possible scriptural frameworks may also come to mind. Seek this before going out on any particular day.

1. One way is to begin with the Lord's Prayer.

- Lord may Your name to be honoured and valued in our city.
- Your Kingdom come
- Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matt 6:10)

Pray:

- The Kingdom of God to manifest in full power in our city
- For everyone to have opportunity to respond to the gospel. (1Tim 2:3-4)
- To block the forces that blind the minds of those who do not believe (2 Cor. 4:4)
- For the Spirit of wisdom & revelation to help them to know the Lord better (Eph. 1:17)
- For the Spirit of adoption to work in them to bring them to cry out *Abba Father*
- For labourers to go out into the harvest field (Matthew 9:38)
- For the Father to draw them to the Lord Jesus (John 6:43)
(ie praying for the lost, hungry and thirsty)

Other suggestions using scripture as our framework are set out below:

2. Isaiah 11:2

This is a description of the ministry of our Lord.

- Pray for Spirit of living God to come upon the people who come to this place
- Pray for the Spirit of wisdom to be with these people
 - to give them wisdom in their decisions
 - counsel them Holy Spirit – that they may they hear your voice
- We pray a release of the Spirit of Counsel over those who come here may be clothed with wisdom and knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
- That they would be blessed with a capacity to resist sin in their lives.
- Help them to know there is eternal life - that there are eternal consequences in their choices
- Pray for the spirit of the 'Fear of the Lord' to be strong in that place
- That the schemes of the enemy to bring violence and deceit would be exposed and rendered ineffective.

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3. Galatians 5:22-23

Pray for the spiritual climate to be filled with the fruit of the Holy Spirit. We are asking the Lord in mercy and blessing to presence himself over the people who come into the site with **Love – Joy – Peace – Patience – Kindness – Goodness – Faithfulness – Gentleness - Self control**

4. A further suggestion:

We pray/declare: This site shall be transformed for the Glory of God!

- **Ps 68:1** “Arise O God and let Your enemies be scattered!”
- **Zechariah 2:5** The Lord declares: “I myself will be a wall of fire around it and I will be its glory in the midst.”

Over the site: We pray/declare: the Blessing- Goodness- Love and Kindness of the Lord to cover the site.

- Pray for the Lord’s Presence, Peace and Protection **3 John v2**
- For Truth, Righteousness and Respect to be established here.
- Doors shall open – and remain open to the Gospel. **Revelation 3:8**
- There shall be a full quota of Christian workers.

Over the athletes / officials / drivers / spectators / travellers / volunteers etc

- God’s Mercy- Love- Acceptance- Hope- Healing- Protection- Release and Freedom!
- People to have soft hearts to know God and have powerful life-changing encounters with Him.
- They will receive a revelation of God’s love and greatness.
- They will come to know the truth and the truth will make them free – God’s goodness will lead them to repentance – **John 8:32, Rom 2:4**
- We pray a mighty harvest of souls!
- We say no to bullying– violence– drugs- immorality–rebellion and deception: we say, GO from this site in Jesus’ name!

Over Christian workers:

God’s Grace– Love– Anointing- Wisdom- Blessing– Favour and Boldness.