

GOD SPEAKS

READ LUKE 10:2 & MATT. 9:38

We know what God's ultimate goal and desire is. We know what His mission is. It is that His name will be hallowed (Matt 6:9), that people from every nation, tribe, people, and language (Rev 7:9) will confess that "Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father" (Phil 2:11). Because we know that God does not want any to perish, but for all to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9), we pray for the peaceful spread of the Gospel, the Good News (1 Timothy 2:1-7) in our nation and globally. We pray and work as partners with God to share the message of everlasting life in Jesus with every people group on earth before Jesus' return (Matt 24:14).

Every one of these passages are worth highlighting in your Bible! Take a moment to do that.

It's interesting that of all Jesus taught in the Gospels, only once do we find him sharing the Ultimate Solution to all problems of global evangelism. Having pointed out that the harvest is ready and abundant, Jesus shares his ultimate plan for gathering the harvest home: Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest field. Prayers for the harvest and for workers in the harvest are "job #1" for us!

Thanks for setting your alarm to join with us daily in the 10:02 Prayer (Luke 10:2) and for aligning your life in word and action for the greatest cause to live for in all the world!

Lord Jesus, You have invited us to pray for the harvest and for workers to gather it in. Even as we do that, give us an awareness that we are those workers! Fill us with the joy of salvation so that we want to share that joy with others. Give us opportunities and the courage to do that in some way every day, and in this way, show us the answer to our prayers! For the glory of Your name, we pray. Amen.

Matt.
9:38

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CALL TO PRAYER

Luke 10:2

The harvest is plentiful,
but the workers are few.
Ask the Lord of the harvest,
therefore, to send out workers
into his harvest field.

SET YOUR ALARM FOR 10:02

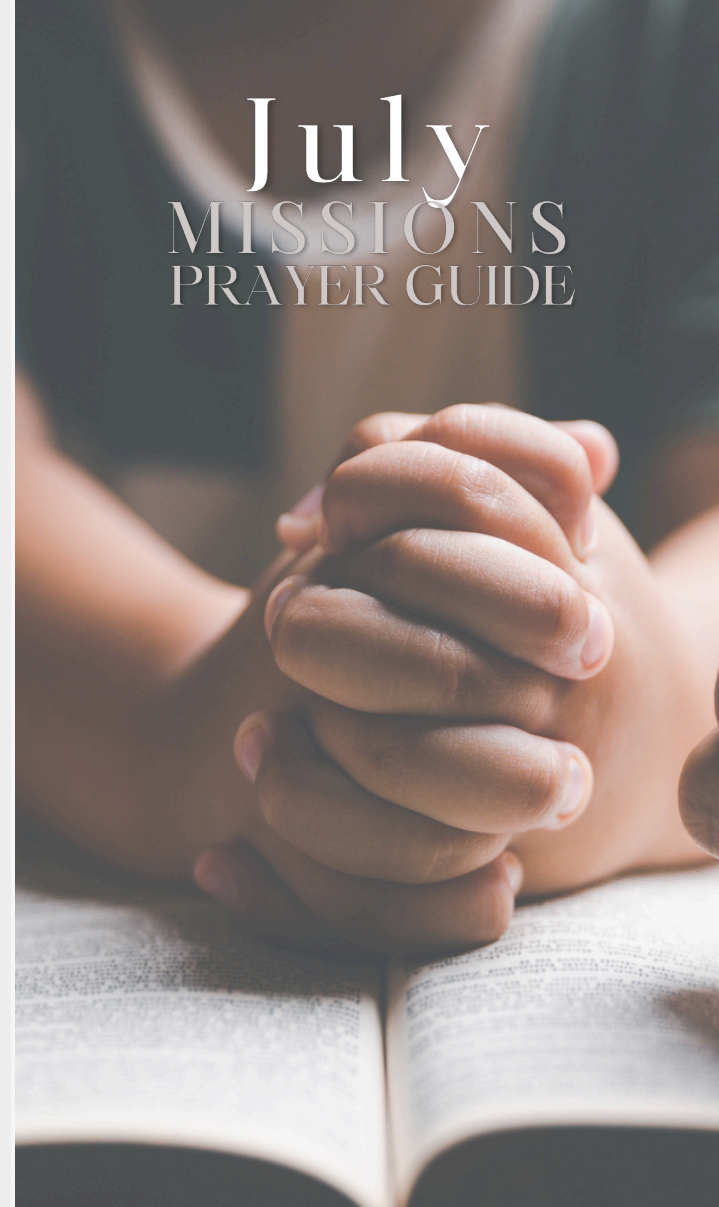


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July MISSIONS PRAYER GUIDE



**EQUIP, EMPOWER, ENGAGE,
CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS.**



1

That each person in the FLGA District would see themselves as an Along-Sider, bringing Jesus' joy to their neighbors, coworkers, and friends. Pray that the Holy Spirit will show each person someone whom they can disciple as a disciple-maker.

2

Pray that the message of eternal life and salvation will be proclaimed in our neighborhoods and communities without hindrance and that many will come to know Jesus' saving grace.

3

Pray that as a nation, we would humble ourselves before the Lord, seek His forgiveness and mercy for our selfishness and lack of self-control, for our desire to be our own gods, and pray for a time of National Reawakening to the Gospel and our need for God.

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Independence Day: Give thanks for the freedoms and privileges we enjoy as citizens of the United States of America and pray that we will be vigilant citizens who preserve these freedoms.

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For God's protection for our nation and its people, especially for protection of our military personnel and their families, for the police and firefighters as they serve and protect our communities.

6

That all people in our nation, beginning with our leaders, would respect life as a gift from God, seeking to protect all life from the unborn to the elderly and vulnerable.

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Ask God to bless Christ, Lakeland's new Adopt a Block ministry that includes weekly community meals, and for an emerging Spanish Language Ministry, that His Spirit will lead people to Jesus.

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Ask the Lord of the Harvest to give wisdom and creativity to congregations who want to begin new outreach ministries in their communities.

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Ask the Holy Spirit to continue and increase His work of aligning our hearts and minds with the mind of Christ so that our lives always point to Jesus.

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Give thanks to our Creator God for the bounty, the beauty, and the natural resources we enjoy in our land. Pray that we may be wise stewards of these gifts.

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Praise God for the many opportunities for witness and service with our Latino friends and neighbors. Ask God to bless our new neighbors who come from Mexico and Central American nations.

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Give thanks for our Lutheran Schools and Early Childhood Centers, for their administrators and staff, as they engage in summer activities and camps. Pray for a safe summer for teachers, students, and families.

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Pray that as pastors and leaders prepare themselves for weekend worship, they will keep focused on God's mission and His purpose for gathering and sending His Church.

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Pray that every congregation will see themselves as participants in planting the Church - making new disciples, starting new ministries, planting new micro-churches and multi-sites, starting new congregations, or leaving a mission legacy.

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Pray for everyday missionaries near and far that God will give them an understanding of the culture around them, knowledge of the people to whom they are called, and insights into the most effective methods for sharing the Good News of Jesus.

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Pray that every believer will feel a burden for the lost, and pray for open doors, open hearts, and boldness in witness and service.

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For workers in the Harvest, that the eyes of every believer will be opened to the Harvest around them that is ripe, ready, diverse, and abundant!

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Pray that deliverance from the Evil One and the coming of God's Kingdom will always shape and move the work of the Church.

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Pray for Missionary Lophane Laurent, Mission Haiti. Pray for physical and spiritual protection and for God to provide needed funds for monthly food distribution.

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Pray for elected leaders in our FLGA District, Vice Presidents Victor Belton, Jay Winters, Charles Reich, David Brockhoff, Stephen Carretto, District Secretary Greg Michael, and our Board of Directors, that God will bless their mission leadership.

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Ask that God bless the vision and work of President Rockey and his staff, our Circuit Visitors, pastors, and local church leaders who understand the purpose of the Church and who take mission seriously in these times.

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Ask God to inspire the hearts of His people in all our congregations to mission action this summer, especially in opportunities to plant the Church in new places with new people.

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Pray for the Presidents of our 35 LCMS Districts that they may be filled with mission zeal and joy and inspire a growing evangelistic focus and passion within their districts.

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Praise God for fellow church members and disciples who want to grow as disciples—following Jesus, learning from Jesus, living and loving like Jesus, sharing Jesus, and making more disciples.

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Pray for plans made by our Campus Ministries to connect with new and returning students in the coming weeks. Pray that God will encourage students to continue their walk with the Lord as they prepare for the Fall semester.

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Pray that God's people will be blessed with perseverance, especially when facing challenges to their faith. Pray for boldness in sharing the Gospel and assurance of God's strong presence.

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Pray that the Holy Spirit will protect and enrich the marriages and families of our congregation leaders and church workers so that the Evil One will not separate what God has joined together.

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For everyday disciples, that they may see and learn to love their personal mission fields and so engage as the priesthood of all believers. Ask God to show you who He is sending you to and to enable you to listen and share the Good News.

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Give thanks for opportunities to worship together with other Christians and for the joy of seeing others come to know Jesus as their Savior, forgiven, loved, restored, and precious in His sight.

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Ask the Holy Spirit to open the hearts of those you know who need to receive Jesus' invitation to 'come and see' God's mercy and grace for themselves.

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Ask the Lord to use your mouth and hands to bless others in His name, and that others will be ready to receive our loving witness.