

# GOD SPEAKS

When you don't know what to pray...

**READ MATT. 18:19-20**

What stops you from talking to God regularly? Becoming comfortable with prayer takes practice, yet, if we want to grow in faith, it's important to meet regularly with God. So, if you're not sure what to pray about, here are five examples of simple daily prayer. Use these, along with the prayer Jesus gave us, known as "The Lord's Prayer."

1. **Pray for God to be known, Eph 3:20-21**  
*God, be glorified in our world; may people who have never met You, find You. May they make and keep Your name holy.*
2. **Pray for the world, Ephesians 6:18**  
*God, set the world right with You. Fill Your people with mercy, strength, and faith so that we might bring blessing to our world.*
3. **Pray for the needs of those close to you, and your needs, Philippians 4:6.**  
*God, You know what I need long before I do. Give me what is necessary today, so that I can focus on You, not my problems. Help me and those I love to trust that You will provide.*
4. **Pray for forgiveness, Mark 11:25**  
*Forgive the people who have wronged me, and help me to forgive them. Forgive me, Lord, where I have sinned. For Jesus' sake, free me from my sin and guilt.*
5. **Pray for healing, protection, James 5:14**  
*There is so much suffering in our world. Lord Jesus, heal the sick, restore peace to our weary souls. Protect our bodies, minds, and give us strength to endure temptations and trials.*

Matt  
18:19-20

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be Your name,  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,

## 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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## 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 and coworkers and friends. Pray that the Holy Spirit will show each person someone whom they can disciple as a disciple-maker.

2

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

3

Pray that our Lutheran schools will be faithful mission outposts, reaching unchurched families with the Gospel and strengthening the faith of church families..

4

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.

5

Pray for God's blessing on our District Executive Staff. Give thanks for President Rockey, Laura Zirbel, Jennifer Tanner, Jay Wendland and new Mission Exec. Eric Sahlberg who serve the congregations and workers of our District.

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Pray for college students as they embark on this new semester, that they will be connected with other Christian students and campus ministries to grow in their faith. Pray for those who are not believers that God will make them receptive to the peace and healing of the Gospel.

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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.

8

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

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Pray for President Rockey as he and the District Presidents of our LCMS' 35 Districts meet this week as the Council of Presidents. Ask the Holy Spirit to direct their conversations, to keep them focused on God's Mission above all else.

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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.

11

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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For emerging new mission starts, and those which are still in the "dream" stage, that the Lord would help new faith communities sprout up and flourish throughout the District.

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Ask God to bless the FLGA District Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Give thanks for their mission focus and work.

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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.

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

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Pray for Puerto Rico FORO missionaries Pastor Gustavo and Ruth Maita, as they prepare for fall classes and especially their English and Art outreach.

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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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Ask God's favor for the mission of Lutheran Bible Translators, for their Board of Directors and for the over 135 language groups they serve with Scripture translation and engagement.

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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 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.

22

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 for the most effective methods to share the Good News of Jesus.

23

For the pastors of our District who gather in Daytona this week for their Fall Conference. Pray that God will bless their ministry and mission leadership.

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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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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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Pray with thanksgiving for our Lutheran Educators and Commissioned Ministers who gather in Daytona for their Fall Conference. Pray that they may be re-energized and find great joy in their service.

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Give thanks for all new members and new attendees in our congregations. Praise God for all who gather to celebrate, pray, and praise God. Thank Lord for YOUR work within the FLGA District churches.

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Ask the Lord to bless missionaries around the world with consistent and meaningful times of prayer, worship and Bible studies. Pray that God will bless them with adequate rest, closeness with the Lord, and protection from spiritual attack.

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Pray that your neighbors will experience the joy and peace that are found in Jesus alone, and that you might have the privilege and opportunity to share these gifts with them.

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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.