

## GOD'S GUIDANCE

Prayer has always been used in this country for guidance, protection and strength—even before we were a nation or a handful of colonies. The Pilgrims at Plymouth relied on prayer during their first and darkest winter. Our founding fathers also called for prayer during the Constitutional Convention. In their eyes, our recently created nation and freedoms were a direct gift from God. And being a gift from God, there was only one way to insure protection—through prayer.

For Christians, prayer is “communion with God.” Through prayer we actually experience relationship with God. The quality of our prayer life then determines the quality of our relationship with God. Prayer is talking with God. Prayer is listening to God. Prayer is enjoying the presence of God.

It is our goal that you, your family and friends would participate in the National Day of Prayer. We pray that the event impacts your life, and that praying for our nation moves from a one-day event to a lifetime endeavor. So join us on the first Thursday in May and pray with conviction that God would continue to shed His grace on thee.

### PRAYER FOR OUR LEADERS

- Wisdom, Ro 15:4
- Honor, Pr 3:6
- Obedience, Mt 28:20
- Teachable, Ps 2:10,11
- Support for family, Ps 127
- Integrity, Is 35:4
- Compassion, Pr 29:14
- Protected, Jn 17:15
- Faithful, Ps 101:6
- Prayerful, Lk 11:2-4
- Humble 2 Ch 7:14

*For information about prayer in America*

[www.nationaldayofprayer.org](http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org)

*For the prayer guide or to make a contribution*

[www.texasndp.org](http://www.texasndp.org)

## GOVERNMENT

*“...pray for kings and all who are in authority, in order that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.”*

*—1Timothy 2:1,2*

President	Barack Obama
First Lady	Michelle Obama
Vice President	Joseph R. Biden
Chief of Staff	Bill Daley
Sec. of State	Hillary R. Clinton
Sec. of Treas	Timothy F. Geithner
Sec. of Defense	Robert M. Gates
Attorney General	Erick H. Holder, Jr.
Homeland Security	Janet A. Napolitano
Interior	Kenneth L. Salazar
Agriculture	Thomas J. Vilsack
Commerce	Gary F. Locke
Labor	Hilda L. Solis
Health	Kathleen Sebelius
HUD	Shaun L.S. Donovan
Transportation	Raymond L. LaHood
Energy	Steven Chu
Education:	Arne Duncan
Management	Peter R. Orszag
Eviron. Protection	Lisa P. Jackson
Veterans Affairs	Eric K. Shinseki
Ambassador to UN	Susan Rice

Texas U.S. Senators

Texas U.S. Representatives

All Branches of the Armed Forces

U.S. Supreme Court ~ All Judges

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### STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Governor: Rick Perry  
Lt Governor: David Dewhurst  
State Senators  
State Supreme Court Justices  
State Representatives  
Speaker of the House  
Mayors  
Council Members  
City Officials  
County Officials  
Fire Department  
Police Department  
School Authorities (public and private)

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# National Day of Prayer

*60th Annual Observance*

***A MIGHTY FORTRESS  
IS OUR GOD***

## TEXAS PRAYER GUIDE 2011 ~ 2012

*I will say of the Lord,  
He is my refuge  
and my fortress,  
My God, in whom I trust.  
Psalm 91:2*

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Governor**

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Freedom Seven challenges you to commit to pray for our country on a daily basis. Pray for seven minutes a day over the seven cultural centers of power in our nation. By targeting these specific areas, America can experience the freedom that accompanies God's power.

**Government** - Pray for godly wisdom, discernment and boldness for those who serve in authority - from city council members to the President. Lift up appointed officials such as judges, cabinet members and agency heads.

**Education** - Pray that our schools instill the leaders of tomorrow with a reverence for God and respect for the Christian values upon which the bible and our nation was founded.

**Family** - Pray daily for the institution of the family which is under attack in our nation. Praise God for marriage and pray for families within your circle of influence that are struggling.

**Church** - Pray for your churches and their leaders while asking God to grant us wisdom and vision to make the church a vessel for healing and revival in America.

**Military** - Pray for divine provision and protection for all military personnel and their families. Pray for courage, dependence on God and perseverance to endure hardship. Pray for Chaplains to deliver God's Word in strength and compassion.

**Business & Economy** - Pray for integrity in our leaders. Lift our Christian workers and business owners that they may serve with humility, compassion and grace. Pray for God's protection and support for job security and growth.

**Media** - Pray for journalists to be fair and accurate and for entertainers to conduct themselves in a responsible manner. Ask God for truth to be the standard in media.

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASKFORCE Adopt-A-Leader

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My God, in whom I trust. - Psalm 91:2*

**Connection...** Get to know your leader and make it possible for them to know you. Introduce the NDP Adopt-A-Leader program.

**Direction...** Ask for directions as to how we can help and pray for them. Advise them that we are not a one-day event, but a daily discipline of prayer for our leaders and our nation.

**Correction...** Offer to help them in positive ways for making good legislation and preserving and protecting our freedoms, specifically to gather, pray and worship in the public places of Texas.

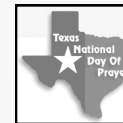
### MY ADOPTED LEADERS

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May 5, 2011 marks the 60th Annual National Day of Prayer. Once again Americans have a unique opportunity to unite in heart and mind as we stand against the forces that endanger the wellbeing of our country and all we hold dear. Please take time to join millions of individuals who will kneel before God's throne to intercede for this great land and its citizens not only on May 5, but as a daily discipline throughout the year.

*"Lord, You are our strength, our refuge, and our fortress. We trust in You alone! Hear our cries and have mercy on us. We ask for your divine intervention in the affairs and lives of every leader and in every center of power in America. We pray in the Name above every name, Christ Jesus."*



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