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Election 2020: Are You Standing in the Gap?

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Do you hear the call? The Lord is waking up His people to see the pressing urgency of the times.

Over this last year, I have heard the Lord say to my heart, “It’s a grassroots movement.” Many past movements have been initiated by individuals responding to the prompting of the Lord and thus rallying the troops to respond, but this time is different. We cannot rely on one to lead the many—the many must walk as one.

I have been so encouraged in this season to hear of groups popping up all over the nation in response to the prompting of the Holy Spirit. It is so exciting to see the various meetings on beaches and in parks where the people of God are coming together to worship and pray. It continues to raise my expectation for Holy Spirit revival as I hear about these teams traveling around, igniting fires in the hearts of the people.

The Lord is looking for us to take our place. In the days of Ezekiel, the Lord looked for the faithful so that He would not have to pour out judgment on the land: *“I looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found no one.”* (Ez 22:30 NIV).

I believe that this time, however, God is finding what He is seeking—He is finding us, the people of God, coming together in unity to stand in the gap and intercede for our nation. My heart feels as though it is exploding as His people respond to the cry and stand in the gap in prayer

and petition for this land. Worship and intercession are incensing the altar around the clock as we humble ourselves, repent for our nation, and call on the name of the Lord.

But there is a second half to that word that we must not overlook. We must build up the wall. If we do not build up the wall for the Kingdom of God, we will find ourselves in this same devastating state sooner than we would like. We must deal with the brokenness in our land.

Our focus cannot just be on an election. It must be on turning this nation around. We need a course correction, an about-face. It starts with each one of us aligning ourselves with the purposes of God and actively pursuing His ways. We need to truly be Kingdom-of-God people, walking in righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit so that we can build up the wall and restore our nation and future generations from the conniving attacks of the enemy.

Now is not a time to stand by and observe what others are doing. The grassroots movement that the Lord is looking for requires a response from each one of us. He is calling us into action. So, stand firm, fully fitted with His armor. It is time to seek His face and walk with Him. He is calling every believer to stand in the gap and build up the wall. He is looking for you. *(Dr. Elizabeth Enns comes from a long line of powerful Bible teachers, including her great grandfather, Derek Prince, an IFA Founder and one of the foremost Bible scholars of the 20th century. Dr. Enns carries an anointing to bring revelation and passion to the people of God.)* ★ IFA



Five Days of Action for the Election

Kris Kubal, IFA Director of Strategic Resources and Engagement

We have prayed. We have fasted. It is down to the wire before Election Day and time for five days of action.

DAY ONE: Friday, October 30

Join us to pray together on our Prayer Webcast.

As we approach what is arguably the most contentious and the most critical election in our lifetime, we will come together as a body of intercessors to pray. You can join the webcast at www.ifapray.org/live or visit the IFA website to view, 12:15 pm ET.

DAY TWO: Saturday, October 31

Prayer walk the polling places in your area or target polling places on the map at VoteYourValues2020.com. Let's cover all of them in prayer.

Every place where you set your foot will be yours . . . (Dt 11:24)

Proclaim the blood of Jesus Christ over the area you are walking. (Eph 2:13)

Speak peace wherever you go. (Is 57:19)

Pray that believers would exercise their civic duty and vote biblical values. (Col 3:1)

Pray for citizens to recognize and accept God's design for government. (Acts 26:17-18)

Pray that candidates will take brave stands for righteousness, even when not popular. (Is 7:9)

Pray for citizens to discern what is good and what is evil. (Gal 1:3-5)

Pray for no plan of the enemy to succeed in harming the election process. (Is 54:17)

DAY THREE: Sunday, November 1

Pray for your church community to vote for biblical values on Tuesday.

Pray that pastors would reclaim their rightful position in society as leaders in the culture, advocating biblical values, addressing these issues with their congregations, and speaking out in the community. (Is 61:1-4)

Pray for the Church to engage in civic responsibilities such as voting, speaking out on issues, participating in campaigns and election management, and praying for the election process. (1 Cor 16:13)

DAY FOUR: Monday, November 2

Remind friends and family to vote.

Remind friends and family to vote personally or through social media. Offer to take elderly and/or infirm friends to vote. It's not too late to share the biblical Voter Prayer Guide to use as guidance. Fast and pray for the election.

When the righteous are in authority the people rejoice; but when the wicked rule, the people mourn. (Prv 29:2)

DAY FIVE: Tuesday, November 3

Vote! Pray at the polls!

While you vote, pray. Pollsters and campaign volunteers stand around at the polls. You can too! Pray quietly and unobtrusively.

Gather with other intercessors to pray, virtually or in person! Share the prayer provided below for Election Day.

Pray for believers to turn out in greater numbers than ever before to vote. (Prv 4:5-6)

Release blessing for godly authorities to occupy the seats of office in the upcoming election. (Rom 13:1)

Prayer at the Polls

Lord, as I vote, I recognize that government was appointed by You for Your glory. All aspects of life, including government, should be places where Your Kingdom values rule. I desire leaders who fear You and choose to support issues reflecting Your heart, for You alone are sovereign and the solution to all of our nation's problems. I dedicate my voting to You as a holy obligation to my community and nation. Let Your presence fill our nation. I pray in the mighty and powerful name of Jesus. Amen. ★ IFA

FIRST FRIDAY prayer

NOVEMBER 6, 2020

On the first Friday of every month we encourage intercessors to fast and pray for America using the prayer focuses below.

ELECTION DAY

As we approach Election Day 2020, pray for Christians to vote, and to vote biblical values. Ask the Lord what He would have you do in the final days before the election. Pray for God's will in all election results, from President of the United States to local offices. Ask God for peace to reign throughout the nation.

ANSWERING THE CALL

Pray that the urgent prayers offered during the election season would continue as intercessors press into God for the nation to turn around spiritually and morally. Pray that more and more Christians would take their places, standing in the gap before God in intercession for America. Pray that we will build up the wall of the Kingdom of God and deal with the brokenness in our land. (Ez 22:30)

GIVE THANKS

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thes 5:16-18) Give thanks to God for the growing community of IFA intercessors, praying Christians who are committed to persevering in prayer for God's will in America. Thank God for stirring His people to pray. Thank God for His goodness and everlasting love. Thank God for the biblical principles and truths upon which this nation was founded.



What's Next?

David Kubal, IFA President/CEO

As we approach what may become the most historic election in our lifetime, I am full of gratitude. As President of IFA, I have witnessed a growing and unprecedented passion for governmental and national intercession.

Amid uncertainty and international unrest, IFA intercessors have stood in the gap relentlessly and faithfully. There has been division in our nation, but unity and community among IFA intercessors. There has been fear and anxiety, but IFA intercessors have built each other up in peace and trust. There has been anger and discord, but IFA intercessors have communicated with each other in respect.

I am deeply humbled and blessed by the wonderful IFA community. I want to share with you how you have touched our hearts as we have seen you "in action."

Because of your faithfulness, we saw nearly 5 million prayers offered for believers who have not been voting through the Vote Your Values map, exceeding our hopes and expectations. We are grateful.

Because of your insights, we shared prayer points, visions, and words from God on how to pray for our nation today. Reading your posted prayers and thoughtful comments humbles me. We are grateful.

Because of your action, together we sent a record number of messages to leaders, speaking up for God's principles. Your passion for engagement with our nation's leaders inspires me. We are grateful.

Because of your willingness, we prayed in unity through numerous webcasts and conference calls. Praying with you on our prayer calls during this election season has touched my heart and encouraged my spirit. We are grateful.



Because of your interaction, a community of engagement grew among intercessors all over the nation, and world, as you shared comments, prayer points, and encouraging words. This is an answer to my prayers for this ministry for over a decade. We are grateful.

Because of your faith, we believed together and prayed together for seemingly impossible situations facing us as a nation, such as COVID-19, violence in our city streets, and division. Your faith has increased my faith. We are grateful.

You have prayed and fasted. You have prayer walked and prayer marched. You have shared resources and shared truth. You have prayed in agreement and in unity for our nation and for the role of the Church in our nation. You have been seeking God on behalf of this nation in every way you can.

Through this unprecedented season He has unified us, stretched us, directed us, assured us, prepared us, grown us, protected us, challenged us, blessed us, and loved us. Whatever the result of this election, and whatever happens next, we can know that we did everything we could to appeal to heaven for God's will for our nation. God is good and we can always trust Him.

What is our next assignment? Where will our nation need intercession? We don't know today, but God will be gracious to give us what we need for what comes next. We are grateful. ★ IFA

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PRAYER For National & Local ELECTIONS

*By IFA Founder
Derek Prince*

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we come to You in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, redeemed by His blood, committed to serve and follow Him. We come to You as Your believing people; Your representatives in this earth, the agents of Your government in the earth. We lift up to You this nation of ours, the United States of America. We thank You for the many centuries of special grace and mercy that You have granted to this nation. We thank You for the godly seeds that have been sown over the centuries by men of faith who have followed in Your footsteps—labored, sacrificed, prayed, and given for Your kingdom.

Lord, we desire that these godly seeds shall develop into a harvest that shall be reaped for Your purposes. We ask You to extend Your grace and mercy to this nation. We ask You to send a mighty visitation of the Holy Spirit that will overthrow the strongholds of Satan and uplift and glorify the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We ask You for a mighty floodtide of spiritual revival that will sweep across this nation, casting down everything that opposes itself against the knowledge of God.

And we commit to You now

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specifically the forthcoming elections and all of the political processes involved. We take our stand in Jesus' name against every satanic principality and power that would seek to exercise control in these elections. We break their power; we release the elective and the governmental processes from their control, and we put them in Your hands. We pray that You will guide and overrule. That You will raise up the men and women of Your choice; put down those who will oppose and stand against Your purposes, and bring Your purposes to fulfillment in this nation.

Lord, we do believe that You have a special destiny for the United States, and we pray that nothing that Satan will do will be able to hinder that destiny.

We also pray, Lord, for the relationship of the United States to Israel. That You will keep Your hand upon it and that You will also guide and overrule, to the benefit of Israel. That this nation will not turn against Israel or take its stand among the enemies of Israel. That You will graciously use this nation continually to support and uphold Your people, Israel, and their state.

Lord, we ask all these things, believing them to be Your will and believing them to be for Your glory, in the precious all-prevailing name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior. Amen.

So let me remind you again, remember to pray, ask God to show you how to pray, remember to cast your vote and do not be afraid of the battle. They that be with us are more than they that be with them. (From "Update 7," October 1980. Used with permission of Derek Prince Ministries.)

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GLOBAL PRAYER FOR AMERICA

The Lord has stirred the nations to cry out to Him on behalf of America. IFA participated in several global prayer events with nations from around the world. Prayer leaders from Indonesia were prompted to organize global prayer months ago, while prayer leaders from Africa were stirred to bless America over a year ago. As they planned events for this fall in advance, they had no idea the great need we would have—but God knew. What a joy it has been to worship and pray with intercessors from Indonesia, China, Israel, Australia, Canada, and all over Africa!

DEPT OF EDUCATION TAKES A STAND

IFA intercessors have prayed for several years about the growing number of transgender children. One area of unethical standards and bias is biological males identifying as "transgender females" competing in school sports against biological females. The Department of Education took decisive action in September, refusing to pay federal grant money to schools who stay in athletic conferences that allow this.

WORSHIP ACROSS THE NATION

Thousands of worshipers across the nation are lifting

up their voices to sing praises to Jesus in outdoor worship events led by Sean Feucht, an evangelical musician and activist. This nationwide celebration continues to bring peace to cities, with reports of rioters coming to Christ, police receiving prayer and meals, miraculous healings, and baptisms. This is in stark contrast to the destruction and violence that have been damaging communities and bringing chaos to the cities. Praise God for bringing light into the darkness!

FIRST FRIDAY prayer CONFERENCE CALL

NOVEMBER 6, 2020

12:15 PM ET

Join with thousands across the U.S. in praying for America, its leaders, and its citizens.

Call: (712) 775-7430

Webcast: IFApray.org/live

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