PRAYING FOR OUR GOVERNMENT AND NATION DURING AND SHUTDOWN An IFA Prayer Guide

On Wednesday, October 1, the federal government shut down operations due to a budgetary battle in the Senate between Republicans and Democrats. The below prayer guide walks you through how to pray during this time of national uncertainty. There are many layers to how the nation and who is affected by this shutdown. It is complicated. But our prayer can be for God's best for our nation.

• Pray that President Trump and the administration use wisdom for what is essential funding for the nation and what is not as they set budget priorities. Pray that they listen to the voice of God guiding them.

For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps (1 Peter 2:21)

• Pray that Congressional leaders and Administration officials hold strong to biblical values as they make decisions for our nation that they do not waiver in what is right.

But you shall hold fast to the Lord your God, as you have done to this day (Joshua 23:8)

 Pray that principle over party would determine the content and support for the continuing resolution and for the inclusion of biblical values and wisdom, and that they prioritize what is holy for America.

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty (Psalm 29:4)

• Pray for federal workers and veterans that they are held tight by God during this time as they face uncertainty.

See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me (Isaiah 49:16)

• Pray for Americans affected by the ancillary results of the shutdown such as the health care industry and government contractors and vendors. Pray for God 's provision for them in the midst of the shutdown.

And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19)

Administration & Elected Officials to Pray Over



President Donald Trump



Vice President J.D. Vance



Russ Vought, Director of the Office of Budget & Management



Senate Majority Leader John Thune (R-SD)



Senate Majority Whip John Barassao (R-WY)



Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY)



House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-LA)



House Majority Leader Steve Scalise (R-LA)



House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY)