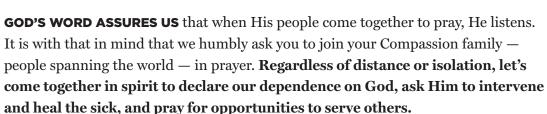


COVERING THE WORLD IN

A Guide for Action During the COVID-19 Crisis

☀ Coronavirus (COVID-19)

GLOBAL PRAYERS FOR COVID-19



This daily prayer guide provides suggested Scriptures* and ways that you can connect and pray. Let us boldly approach the throne of grace and mercy together on behalf of a world in need of His hope and love.

The famous teacher and evangelist Oswald Chambers stated, "Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work." In a season filled with uncertainty with the fast-spreading coronavirus, we have the honor of coming before our heavenly Father to pray — the greatest work we can imagine.

*Unless labeled otherwise, all Scripture quotations are taken from the New International Version.







Pray for the ...

SICK & GRIEVING

- Pray for comfort for those suffering from this terrible virus, that they will find healing in the hands of the Great Physician.
- Ask the Lord to stop the virus from spreading further. Let us pray, "Father, let your kingdom come and your will be done."
- Pray for the loved ones of the people who have passed away because of this virus. Ask the Lord to comfort each of them with His unfailing love and grace.

ISAIAH 41:10

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

CHURCH

- Pray for wisdom and resilience for churches all over the world. May the Lord be their strength and guide as they respond to the challenges of the virus facing their communities and churches.
- Pray for the global church, that God's people would be a vessel of healing, care and comfort in this time of pain.
- Pray for the Lord to unify His church through this crisis, that we will become salt and light in our communities.

1 JOHN 4:18-19, ESV

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us.



THE POOR & VULNERABLE

- Pray for nations where people lack access to clean water and food. Ask the Lord to provide their daily bread by He Himself becoming the bread of life and giver of living waters.
- Pray for people who don't have access to proper medical care and support. May the Lord provide them with good care or miraculously heal and deliver them.
- Pray for people with a high risk of developing the disease. Ask the Lord to protect and keep them.
- Pray for those who are isolated or quarantined because of the virus. Ask the Lord to be their joy, their strength and counsel.

PSALM 121:7-8

The Lord will keep you from all harm — he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

CAREGIVERS & MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

- Pray for those who are sincerely serving those who are impacted by the virus. Ask the Lord to raise up people who will serve with compassion and care.
- Pray for many medical professionals who are tirelessly serving those impacted by this virus. Ask the Lord to strengthen them as well as give His peace while also protecting them.
- Pray for the field of medical researchers who are working diligently to find a vaccine.
 Pray for the Lord to direct their paths.

PSALM 23:4

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.



THOSE WHO FEEL AFRAID

- Pray for those who are have lost their livelihood or income and are suffering from financial loss during this time of crisis. Ask the Lord to be their provider.
- Pray against the fear of this pandemic. God has not given us a spirit of fear.
- With social distancing practiced and social events being canceled, ask the Lord to raise up a new chapter of building meaningful and deeper relationships with each other.
- Pray for the people of God to focus on Jesus who is the author and perfector of our faith. Pray for us not to be weighed down by the growing pandemic, but to trust the Lord and understand what is "his good, pleasing and perfect will."

PSALM 46:10

He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."



- Pray for wisdom for leaders in government, at all levels, to contain the virus from spreading while ably caring for the safety of their people.
- Pray for the leaders of developing countries as they work with limited resources and medical facilities to try to protect their people.
- Pray for business leaders who have been impacted financially yet are trying to care for their employees.

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-2, ESV

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.





COMPASSION COUNTRIES

Bangladesh Indonesia
Bolivia Kenya
Brazil Mexico
Burkina Faso Nicaragua
Colombia Peru
Dominican Republic Philippines
Ecuador Pwanda

Ecuador Rwanda
El Salvador Sri Lanka
Ethiopia Tanzania
Ghana Thailand
Guatemala Togo
Haiti Uganda

Honduras

COMPASSION FAMILY

- Pray for the Lord to protect our children in the program in this season of sickness. Ask the Lord to place a hedge of protection over each child and their families.
- Pray for our supporters. May each of them be surrounded by the grace, love and mercy of Jesus Christ. Ask the Lord to hold their hands and lead them.
- Pray for everyone in the Compassion global family as we unite our hearts in and through this crisis. Ask the Lord to make us one body for His glory, by serving and loving our neighbors in this crisis.

EPHESIANS 3:16-19

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge — that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

CREATIVE PRAYER FORMATS



Consider using any of the following prayer formats in your times of daily prayer

WORLD MAP

Using the prayer map on the previous page to pray over the nations of the world. Take time to pray over specific countries where the virus is rapidly spreading. Spend some time learning about the specific needs in that place and pray for the Lord to heal and deliver the people of that country.

FIVE FINGERS

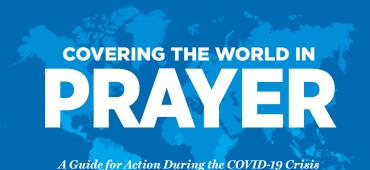
- THUMB: Pray for those closest to you impacted by the virus — your family, neighbor, friend or community.
- POINTER: Pray for those who point your life in the right direction
 teachers, mentors, pastors, etc.
- MIDDLE: Pray for those who are leaders in the government, your local community leaders.
- RING: Pray for those who are sick or impacted by the virus, who need our help and are unable to care for themselves.
- LITTLE FINGER: Pray for precious children and families who are hurting because of the virus.

THE ACTS FORMAT

- ADORATION: Begin by telling Jesus how much you love and adore Him.
- confession: Next, tell God what you have done wrong and how sorry you are for hurting Him.
- THANKSGIVING: Think about all the blessing on your life and give thanks to God.
- SUPPLICATION: Ask God to help you and others.

RIPPLES

- Draw a series of circles like a bulls-eye, or ripples in a pond. In the middle circle, write the names of those closest to you who are affected and impacted by this virus, such as your spouse, children, parents, siblings, etc.
- Go one ripple out. Write the names of the people you see regularly, such as your neighbors, coworkers and friends.
- In the outer circle, write the names of people you know only by name, but whom you've never met. Local government leaders. National leaders. Those working in intensive care units and emergency rooms. Pray through each circle.



The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

- PSALM 145:18



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