

About Prayer

“I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” I Timothy 2:2

Requests, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving, especially for kings and all those in authority have a high priority with God. No wonder! The king’s policies and those in authority to enforce them determine how the nation lives. However, God moves the hearts (Ezra 1:5) and stirs up the spirits of leaders (Haggai 1:14) to accomplish His purposes. “He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them” Daniel 2:21. God answers prayer. Jesus told us clearly in Luke 11:10 that “everyone who asks receives”. This is why Scripture urges us first of all to pray for our governments. God’s will is for all people to live peaceful quiet lives in godliness and holiness.



PRAY FOR UKRAINE

When the president of Ukraine decided to align with Russia and not with the European Union, the people began their peaceful protest. Since the end of November thousands of people gather in the streets in many cities daily in protest of government corruption. Up to 10,000 people are spending the night in Maiden (the central square in downtown Kiev) to remind the government that they are sick and tired of its corruption and lies. The crowd grows by the tens of thousands during the day and to hundreds of thousands on weekends.



“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” ~ James 5:16

Christians have set up a Prayer Tent in Maiden and are praying around the clock. Many of our camp leaders are helping with the 24/7 logistics of the prayer initiatives. The gospel is preached from the platform. And, of course, millions of people are praying at home.

What are the believers praying for?

- Repentance of Ukraine and the government
- For God to protect the protesters from the “wolves in sheep’s clothing” and from government violence.
- For the opportunity to “live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness” I Timothy 2:1 & 2



Volunteers wearing luminous vests with the inscription PRAY FOR UKRAINE, serve tea/coffee and sandwiches.



New Testaments and tracts are distributed daily.

Join the people of Ukraine in prayer during this dark hour. One of our leaders wrote: “Anxiety, frustration and despair – these are the feelings that prevail in Ukraine today.” Thank God for their prayer vigils and the opportunity to publicly proclaim the gospel day and night. If their president would have attended a Christian camp in his youth, Ukraine probably would not be faced with the ungodliness that it is experiencing today. Pray God’s blessing upon the hundreds of Christian youth camps in Ukraine.



CHRISTMAS RETREATS

Praise God for all the Christmas retreats organized by the camps, the staff who volunteered and all the campers who attended. The joyful singing, reciting Bible verses and group Bible Studies is a totally new life for many of the campers. Their Christmas celebrations became focused on Jesus since they met Him at camp. Thank God that the Kingdom of Heaven is now within them.



SOWING THE WORD

Leaders operating camps in restricted areas are experiencing God’s protection. “I thank the Lord for watching over us,” wrote a leader representing many camps. “As you know in some of our regions all Christian activities outside the church building are banned and this is especially true of camps. In spite of all the difficulties and restrictions, by God’s grace, the Word of God is being sown in the hearts of children and teenagers. We do have peace in our countries, but the political situation is still very inflammable. Pray for our leaders and ask the Lord to give them wisdom to solve the political problems peacefully rather than by force and military actions.”



CHANGING WORLD

Valeri Buiglishvili, leader of camping in the North Caucasus region, writes: “The world is changing rapidly. Today it is very difficult to recruit sufficient summer camp staff. It is also becoming difficult to interest teenagers to attend camp.” Teenagers are distracted by technology and potential staff are engaged in jobs. Thank God for the camp directors who are passionate about camp and have the courage and faith to put it all together. “Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.” Matthew 9:38. Ask God to put a desire for Truth into the hearts of teenagers – a desire that exceeds the attractions of this world.



ORPHAN CAMP

Plans are well underway for KVI’s Orphan Camp. The camp director and her team are enthusiastically planning the program, recruiting counselors and selecting teenage orphans for this unique opportunity. The purpose for the camp is not just to give the orphans an adventure; it is also to teach the orphans to forgive, to love, to trust and to become responsible citizens who love God and serve others. 75 orphans will be selected. Each one needs a sponsor. The sponsorship is \$165 per orphan. We have received sponsorship for 32 orphans to date. Pray for God to bless the staff as they plan and to give them wisdom to select the orphans. Thank God that we have sponsors for 32 and ask Him to provide sponsors for the remaining 43 orphans.

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