**40 Days of Prayer for the City**

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Objective: To promote prayer for our cities and existing urban churches, in order that God would bring a genesis to the Mesoamerica Region.

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| **Day** | **Petition** | **Bible Verse** |
| 1 | Pray that God will give us a deep desire for our cities to know Him. Also pray that God will use us to bring peace and well-being to our cities. | “*Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper*.” Jeremiah 29:7 |
| 2 | Thank God for everything He has done, He is doing, and He will do in our cities. | *“Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind…”* Psalm 107:8 |
| 3 | Humbly recognize the disobedience present in our cities, and ask God to bring His forgiveness, healing and restoration to our cities. | *“Lord, listen! Lord, forgive! Lord, hear and act! For your sake, my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name.”* Daniel 9:19 |
| 4 | Pray that God will move in our lives, our churches and our cities, and ask Him to use us to bring a genesis to our region.  | *“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I. Send me!’”* Isaiah 6:8 |
| 5 | Pray that God will provide opportunities to share about His salvation with people that do not know Him, and that they will be sensitive to receive Christ in their hearts.  | *“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.”*John 3:17 |
| 6 | Pray for God to bring revival and transformation to our existing churches in the cities, raising them up to be healthy missional churches.  | *“Through the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is destroyed.”* Proverbs 11:11 |
| 7 | Pray that our congregations reflect God’s character every day and in every circumstance.  | *“Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”* Ephesians 5:1-2 |
| 8 | Pray that our churches will embrace and create worship services, which are relevant and transformational to their community, being sensitive to non-believers as well as ministering to followers of Christ.  | *“For this is what the Lord has commanded us: ‘I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.’”* Acts 13:47  |
| 9 | Pray that our churches in the urban centers will preach Jesus, and that they will proclaim the message of salvation that can transform lives. | *“…and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”* Luke 24:47 |
| 10 | Pray that our congregations are moved with compassion in a way that is true, practical and consistent, being like Christ in their communities.  | *"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick."* Matthew 14:14 |
| 11 | Pray that everyone will find a place of service in our local churches and understand that discipleship is a life-long process.  | *“Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.”* John 15:4 |
| 12 | Pray that existing churches have a deep desire to multiply themselves and that they will become involved in strategic church planting in their cities. | *“And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”* Acts 2:47 |
| 13 | Pray that our churches will continue to live out and preach the message of holiness within our cities. | *“But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: ‘Be holy, because I am holy’.”* 1 Peter 1:15-16 |
| 14 | Ask God to raise up more pastors, leaders and missionaries to go to our cities. Pray that our churches will be ready to train, send and support them. | *“So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.”* Acts 13:3  |
| 15 | Pray that the Church works in unity with the purpose of reaching the cities and making Christ-like disciples. | *“I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”* John 17:22-23 |
| 16 | Pray that our congregations would intercede and cry out consistently to God, and that God would act in favor of the cities and the world. | *"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people."* 1 Timothy 2:1 |
| 17 | Pray that our churches would be generous regarding the needs of their members, their neighborhood, their city and the world. | *“You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” 2 Corinthians 9:11* |
| 18 | Pray that our churches evaluate themselves and effectively communicate their results, making necessary changes in order to effectively fulfill the mission.  | *"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth."* 2 Timothy 2:15 |
| 19 | Pray that our churches will consistently demonstrate Christ’s love in tangible and visible ways to the persons in their community.  | *“And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”* Colossians 3:14 |
| 20  | Pray that the main focus in our churches is to make Christlike disciples in the nations.  | *“Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”* Matthew 28:19-20  |
| 21 | Pray for the protection of children in the city, marked especially by a decrease in child abuse. |  *“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.’”* Matthew 19:14 |
| 22 | Pray for the creation of more job opportunities within the cities of our region. | ***“****And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”* Philippians 4:19 |
| 23 | Ask the Lord to make us sensitive to the needs around us, and to provide more opportunities to reach and help the most vulnerable in our society. | *“Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.”* Hebrews 13:3 |
| 24 | Pray that marriages in our region will be protected and strengthened in love and commitment.  | *“So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate.”* Matthew 19:6 |
| 25 | Pray for families to be united, strengthened and blessed by God, and for a decrease in domestic violence within our cities. | *“Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right…Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.”* Ephesians 6:1,4 |
| 26 | Ask the Lord to provide hope where there is pain, suffering, hurt and anguish. Also pray for a decrease in the suicide rate within our cities. | *“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.”* Psalm 34:18 |
| 27 | Pray for those trapped in prostitution. Ask God to provide freedom for these children, women and men. | *“‘No one, sir,’ she said. ‘Then neither do I condemn you,’ Jesus declared. ‘Go now and leave your life of sin.’”* John 8:11 |
| 28 | Pray for peace in the city. Ask God to decrease the conflicts and the daily violence in our cities. | *“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”* John 16:33 |
| 29 | Pray for cleaner air in the city, as well as people to become more knowledgeable and involved in the care of God’s creation. | *“The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.”* Genesis 2:15 |
| 30 | Pray for the authorities that govern our cities, namely that God would give them wisdom in their decision-making. | *“…for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.”* 1 Timothy 2:2 |
| 31 | Pray for wisdom and protection for pastors and church leaders within our cities.  | *“Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.”* Hebrews 13:7 |
| 32 | Pray for the growth of the new churches in current Genesis sites (Monterrey and Queretaro, Mexico; Panama City, Panama; and Quetzaltenango, Guatemala). | *“We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.”* 2 Corinthians 5:20 |
| 33 | Pray for strength, protection, provision and personal safety for our volunteer missionaries who are serving in Genesis sites. | *“And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!’”* Romans 10:15 |
| 34 | Pray for the Genesis missionaries serving in Panama City, Panama: Ingrid Jochola, Joselyn Garcia, and Keila Molina. | *“As for other matters, brothers and sisters, pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you.”* 2 Thessalonians 3:1 |
| 35 | Pray for the Genesis missionaries serving in Queretaro, Mexico: Jhoselyn Barrios, Maria de los Angeles Romero, Maritza Mendoza and Marlene Valadez. | *“Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel.”* Ephesians 6:19 |
| 36 | Pray for the churches, districts and sponsors that are supporting the ministry and the sending of missionaries to current Genesis sites.  | *“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”* 1 Corinthians 15:58 |
| 37 | Pray for the Genesis missionaries serving in Monterrey, Mexico (Daniel Santiago and Andrea López) and Quetzaltenango, Guatemala (Diana González, Oscar Quej, Teresa De cuesta, and Elba Duson). | *“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.”* John 17:20-21 |
| 38 | Pray for God’s vision and encouragement to be poured out on our regional, field, district and local leaders. | *“Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other.”* 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 |
| 39 | Pray for God to use us as agents of change and peace in our homes, workplaces, schools, and cities.  | *“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”* Matthew 5:9 |
| 40 | Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to come upon our cities, producing a revival which transforms lives.  | *“And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.”* Joel 2:28 |