

# **Community Prayer Guide** April 2022



#### "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" Luke 24:5

### Church

Pray for your pastor and church to be filled with the Holy Spirit as they prepare for Easter and follow-up after.

Pray for local pastors to love each other and walk in unity, so Jesus can be more clearly seen and known.

Pray for Overflow Hope: for local churches to communicate the Gospel together in love, power and creativity.

Pray for people to return to church, and then be relationally connected.

### Education

Pray for God to lead the process & selection of the 4J superintendent; pray also for unity for the school board.

Pray for holistic solutions for students with mental health strains and learning gaps.

Pray for God to rescue and heal students struggling with suicidal thoughts.

Pray for churches to support fatigued teaching staff and to begin volunteering in schools again.

As schools reopen campuses to volunteers and re-engage activities, pray for a sustainable pace and more staff capacity, so it won't create an even greater workload.

# **Family**

Pray for God to raise up and connect more local role models with both kids and parents.

Pray for families to engage recreation and play time together to bring life, emotional & physical health.

Pray for God to turn the hearts of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents.

Pray for God to strengthen marriages with his love, direction and hope for the future.

### Government

Pray for the upcoming elections: for God to guide the process and selection of local elected officials.

Pray for better communication and agreement between public and private agencies.

Pray for God's wisdom to be given to staff and elected officials in our state, county and city governments.

Pray for the local housing crisis:

For God to lead government, church, business & non-profits to effectively shepherd unhoused people.

### **Business**

Pray for God to give business leaders new vision for community flourishing via kingdom principles.

Pray for God to empower local business leaders with wisdom to navigate current challenges.

Pray for God to raise up quality employees for businesses during the current labor shortage.

Pray for local businesses to increase capacity for this summer's World Championships and beyond.

# **Behind the Requests**

Eugene will host the World Track Field Championships from July 15<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. This is the first time the event will be held in the United States. More than 2,000 athletes from 190 nations will fill our community for nearly a month, along with families, spectators and the media.

Leaders from business, civic and sports are highlighting this prayer target. It is a tremendous opportunity to host the world, strengthen our economy, show hospitality, and share the good news. At the same time, we are praying for a miracle to be ready to host an event of this scale, in light of COVID setbacks & staffing shortages. Let's pray for the Lord of the Nations to use this event for His glory.



#### "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies." John 11:25

### Arts

Pray for local artists in every medium to have God's perspective and create excellent, encouraging art.

Pray for the Pacific Rim Art Guild to be guided by the Lord as they begin teaching art classes.

Pray for God to pour out His Spirit upon all artists in our community: music, visual, dance, writers & actors.

Pray for art teachers and students to be inspired by God and encouraged in their artistic development.



#### Health Care

Pray for God to provide more mental health case managers and counselors.

Because of significant staffing shortages in clinics and hospitals, pray for every open position to be filled. Pray for working HCPs (Health Care Professionals) to have peace, wisdom and joy amid the staffing shortage. Pray for the protection, health & strength of all HCPs. Pray for Jesus-following HCPs to be filled with and show Jesus' love.

## Police & Fire Departments

Pray for the leadership teams of local first responders to be led by God's wisdom and His encouragement. Pray for God to provide plans and abundant personnel for Community Safety during the World Championships.

Pray for the wisdom, peace and safety of those serving in our police and fire departments.

Pray for people of noble character to be hired by local law enforcement, as there are many open positions.

#### Media

Pray for God to guide and work through all of our local radio stations.

Pray for God to guide media leaders in the stories that they promote and highlight.

Pray for God to pour out His Spirit on all of the staff of the Eugene Weekly.

Pray for God to raise-up media leaders with vision & boldness to advance God's purposes through media.

# **Sports**

Pray for God's guidance to be upon the leadership of KidSports, the YMCA, soccer and baseball leagues.

Pray for God to guide the plans and preparations for the 2022 World Championships.

Pray also for God to show Jesus-followers & churches how to serve together during the Championships.

Pray for all youth to have encouragement and access to participate in local athletic opportunities.

"Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." John 20:21



### **Additional Resources**

Kids & Family Prayer Guide: onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide Spanish Prayer Guide: onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide Answers to Prayer: onehopenetwork.org/testimonies

