

COMMUNITY PRAYER GUIDE

“So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” Galatians 3:26,27

Church

Pray for pastors, elders and church/ministry boards to have united vision and wisdom for 2023.
Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to be poured out on Jesus-followers and all people in our community
Pray for love & good friendships to grow among pastors, ministry leaders, business and civic leaders.
Pray for ethnic churches to be strengthened, fruitful and have strong relationships with other churches.

Education

Pray for an increase in mental health support to come in creative and abundant ways.
Pray for training and effective onramps for Jesus-followers to become mentors in all schools.
Pray for Christian teachers and other caring adults to “see” and care for the needs of students.
Pray for school leadership to see new & bold innovations to create healthy learning environments.

Family

Pray for marriages to be strengthened and for parents to lovingly lead their children.
Pray for families to be connected to local churches to receive and give loving relationships.
Pray for Jesus-following families to pray together: for each other and our community.
Pray for families to see the Lord in their lives: His answers to their prayer and His activity in & around them.

Government

Pray for God to give wisdom and guide the hearts of all our local governmental leaders.
Pray for increased trust and collaboration among government, business, church & nonprofit leaders.
Pray for God’s solutions to the housing crisis to be implemented through local governments & partners.
Pray for governmental partners (non-profits) to hire more staff to be able to run programs.

Business

Pray for business leaders to navigate and overcome challenges in uncertain economic times.
Pray for God to inspire & impact business organizations: Lane Leaders, Rotaries, Chambers of Commerce.
Pray for God to bring together and unite Jesus-following workplace leaders with His vision for our community.
Pray for business leaders to have God’s wisdom and to lead with integrity and virtue.



Answers to Prayer

Eugene 4J Alternative High School celebrates record attendance (70%)!

The students who were historically difficult to engage are back to school. Similar schools are full & thriving as well.
As schools reopened after the COVID shutdown, we prayed for vulnerable students to reconnect with school.



During **the 2023 State of the County** address, Lane County celebrated:

- 1) adding 132 new beds for people transitioning out of homelessness, &
- 2) eight new Sheriff positions that were filled by quality recruits.

Housing collaboration & hiring more noble recruits are consistent prayer points.

"Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, 'Abba', Father." Galatians 4:6

Health Care

Pray for Health Care Professionals (HCPs) to equip churches/people about bioethical issues.
Pray for the health & shalom of local HCPs (health care professionals), hospitals & clinics.
Pray for God to give the "joy of caring for patients" to all HCPs, as many are struggling.
Pray for God to connect and create "deep, rich" fellowship among Jesus-following HCPs.

Arts

Pray for God to inspire the leadership of venues: Wildish, Cuthbert, Hult, galleries, etc.
Pray for God's hand upon all music, art, theater and creative writing teachers and students.
Pray for Jesus-following artists to be encouraged & take productive steps to develop talents.

Media

Pray for favor & good relations between local media and community members.
Pray for those in media to have first-hand experiences of God's love through Jesus-followers.
Pray for God's favor & power upon **Overflow Hope** as local churches "speak together" through testimonies on social media, billboards & website: overflowhope.org (see below).

Police & Fire Departments

Pray for the health, protection, and wisdom of all of our local First Responders.
Pray for God's peace and direction for First Responder agencies and their leadership teams.
Pray for encouragement and strength for the leadership teams of our local First Responders.
All local departments need employees: pray for many people of noble character to be hired.

Sports

Pray for safety, protection and peace over every public sporting event.
Pray for coaches at all levels to encourage, teach, inspire and lead with integrity.
Pray for Christ-following athletes to be recruited to the U of O and become team influencers.
Pray for young Jesus-following athletes to prioritize their faith & be bold in their witness.

Answers to Prayer

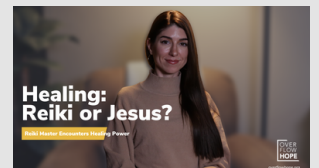
Christ-following coaches at the University of Oregon!

"There are more committed Christian coaches at UO now, than any other time in my 20 years with UO Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)."

- Tony Overstake, UO FCA Director

Two families practicing New Age turned to Jesus in 2022!

Watch the testimony of one of them (Emily's Story):
[@overflowhope](https://www.instagram.com/overflowhope) on Instagram, Facebook, Youtube.



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