

"The measure of our prayer is the measure of our power." Andrew Murray

## *The Strategic Prayer Initiative – UK July 2021*

- ❑ **1. Pastor** / Pray that your Pastor will maintain (or develop) a strong personal prayer life. Please also circle the day of your birthday as a second day each month that you pray for your Pastor.
- ❑ **2. Persecuted Christians** / Pray for Abbas, a Christian convert in Saudi Arabia, who has to go to court because of accusations made by the family of his sister after he helped her and her children flee the country having been abused for her faith. Pray also for the return of Abbas's wife whose family has locked her in their house and encourages her to divorce Abbas. Pray that the family come to faith in Jesus. Pray for peace for this family Source: Open Doors
- ❑ **3. UK Supreme Court** / Pray God will draw Justice of The Supreme Court, the Right Hon. Lord Burrows to make decisions in keeping with the purity and character of the living God. Pray God would speak to Him in many ways, including through his dreams.
- ❑ **4. Unreached People Groups** / Pray that God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 18,202,000 member Kunbi (Hindu traditions) group of India.
- ❑ **5. Each Country's Leader** / Pray that President Nayib Armando Bukele, the primary leader of El Salvador (6.5 million), will be moved by the hand of God to allow the gospel to spread freely in his country, and enable his people to live in peace.
- ❑ **6. Bibleless People Group** / Pray that the Dinka Camp (1,000,000) people of South Sudan will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. Source: Wycliffe
- ❑ **7. Additional Pastors &/or Staff** / \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Pray for this person (or people) as you feel led by the Holy Spirit. When applicable, also pray the above prayer for your Senior Pastor for this/these individual(s) as well.
- ❑ **8. An Orphanage Needing Your Prayers** / Pray for the children, and workers, who live at the Lodwar Kinship Project in Kenya. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit's help in raising up genuine Christian disciples with each of the children. Pictures of the home can be seen at [www.kinshipunited.org](http://www.kinshipunited.org).
- ❑ **9. Abortion** / It is reported that chemical abortion now accounts for 85 per cent of abortions in the UK. It involves taking two tablets – mifepristone, which kills the developing baby, and misoprostol, which induces a miscarriage to expel it from the womb. Pray for a great sense of conviction to come upon all who consider this step and they will find an alternative way by preserving their child. Source: Family Watch International.
- ❑ **10. Addictions** / Many contemporary movies contain ungodly content. Pray that believers would strive to please the Lord in their movie viewing habits (Ephesians 4:30).
- ❑ **11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia – 40% of the Worlds 'Population)** / Last December five Christians were prosecuted by Chinese authorities in Shenzhen for selling audio versions of the Bible as part of the Chinese government's ongoing policy to eradicate "illegal publications". The clampdown on online Bible sales on Amazon and JD.com in 2018 followed soon after a government White Paper on religion launched policies aiming to reinterpret Christianity according to "the core values of socialism", in a process of "sinicisation" (i.e. making Chinese) in all Christian faith communities. Source: Barnabus Fund.
- ❑ **12. The Damascus Road Petition** / Pray the Lord Jesus Christ would supernaturally intervene on behalf of leaders of Judaism who are sincerely attempting to love God with their whole heart. Ask Christ to even speak to them directly, as He did for Paul on the road to Damascus. (Jeremiah 29:13)
- ❑ **13. Edinburgh Council** / has admitted acting unlawfully in cancelling a Christian conference because of the beliefs of a guest speaker, Larry Stockstill. He had been due to speak at a three-day conference at Usher Hall last summer when it received complaints from LGBT activists. In its apology, the Council recognised that biblical views on marriage and sexuality are legally protected under both the Human Rights Act 1998 and the European Convention on Human Rights. Praise God for this ruling and for those legal experts who are defending against the onslaught happening to churches and faith organisations. Source: Christian Institute
- ❑ **14. The Strategic Prayer Initiative** / If you are not familiar with the efforts of the Strategic Prayer Initiative (SPI™), here is a short summary. Our primary mission is to use research, Scripture (Psalm 119:105), prayers for guidance (Matthew 21:22), experimentation, and many counselors (Proverbs 15:22) to help develop and refine prayer methodologies. Our focus is to refine approaches that are "undeniably effective" in moving large numbers of Christians to develop and/or maintain "good prayer lives" and to focus those prayers as one critical element of becoming more effective in fighting the spiritual battle. This battle is against sin, evil, injustice, and for the eternal souls of hundreds of millions of women and men throughout the world. **Please pray for the Lord to raise up more laborers, prayers, and financial resources for this endeavor.** (See early SPI Workshop Video for background information at [www.SPIprayer.org](http://www.SPIprayer.org))
- ❑ **15. Bible Open Air Mission** / Arthur Williams recently sent his supporters and prayer warriors gratitude for being able to serve as a New York evangelist for sixty years. He now retires in his late eighties for health reasons. Arthur helped pioneer International open air work in numerous countries. In India alone 197 churches have been established since 2001 with 105 Pastors and 95 evangelists. Pray for Arthur his wife Peggy and all those engaged in reaching the lost through open air evangelism around the world.

- ❑ 16. **Parliament** / Pray for Baroness Sarah Brinton who served as President of the Liberal Democrats from 2015 to 2020 and has a life peerage in the House of Lords. Baroness Brinton is a member of Christians in Parliament. She has rheumatoid arthritis and so usually uses a wheelchair. Pray for Sarah and husband Tim. Source: Christians in Parliament and Wikipedia
- ❑ 17. **Economy**/ The average house price in the UK has jumped by £24,000 in a year, despite the economy going through its deepest downturn in three centuries. Official figures show that prices rose 10.2 per cent to £256,000 in the year to March 2021, far outpacing wage growth. The annual increase was the fastest since August 2007. Pray for those who need a home and have little chance of obtaining one. Source: The Independent
- ❑ 18. **Prime Ministers Cabinet**/ Pray for Thérèse Anne Coffey MP who serves as Secretary of State for Work and Pensions. Ms Coffey is a member of the Conservative Party, and has served as Member of Parliament (MP) for Suffolk Coastal since 2010. Source: Wikipedia
- ❑ 19. **The Nations** / Vietnam - Pray for effective witness from believers in prison for their faith. Pray for unity among Christians and Christian organisations who are seeing an increase in new believers. Pray for freedom from government repression of unregistered house churches. Source: [www.prayercast.com](http://www.prayercast.com)
- ❑ 20. **The Poor** / Pray that the Lord would help those who need work to find employment that not only sustains them, but also be meaningful. (Gal. 2:10 and Matt. 25:44-45)
- ❑ 21. **The Church** / Pray for all who are single in our congregation especially the bereaved. May each one know the love of our church family, feel fully included, supported and spiritually fed. That each one will know the peace of God which passes all understanding.
- ❑ 22. **The Family** / Pray that God would help couples work through problems. Pray that they would take advantage of the wisdom of Christian marriage counsellors.
- ❑ 23. **Education** / Pray that godly men and women would be raised up as lawyers and instructors in universities and law institutions throughout the United Kingdom. Additionally, pray for the Lord to raise up gifted men and women to represent integrity and righteousness in our legal system.
- ❑ 24. **Cultural Influencers** / Jim Carey (Actor) Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that he will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on his life. Source: [mastermediaintl.com](http://mastermediaintl.com)
- ❑ 25. **Power Players in Media** / Gary Marsh - President & CCO Disney Channels Worldwide. Pray for God's personal impact on his life, for guidance and wisdom, and for him to come to a deeper relationship with the living God. Pray that God will infuse his decisions with a strong moral dimension.
- ❑ 26. **Medicine** / On May 26, the International Society for Stem Cell Research issued new guidelines for lifting the prohibition against growing lab-created embryos beyond 14 days of development. Canada and the UK, have legal restrictions in place against such experimentation; however, the United States and China, are sites of the most disturbing recent experiments involving human-monkey chimeras and so-called "blastoids" or "model embryos". Five original assurances given to the public when the UK legalised such experimentation in 1990 were as follows: 1) No human embryo would be created by cloning; 2) No human embryo would be genetically modified; 3) No part-human, part-nonhuman embryo could be created; 4) The use of human embryos in assisted reproduction and in research would be regulated with the utmost care; 5) And, most famously, no experimentation on human embryos would be permitted after 14 days. Pray for God's intervention and for his wisdom to be imparted to those who work in this area. Source: Live Action
- ❑ 27. **Important Legal** / "No Fault" Divorce Law - Introduced by the government, which would allow a person to divorce their spouse without having to give a reason, has been delayed until next year. Currently, divorcing couples in England and Wales must prove the irretrievable breakdown of their marriage. Last year, Parliament passed the Divorce, Dissolution and Separation Act, removing this need and allowing divorce in just six months. Pray that even yet this legislation will be repealed or revised. Source: Christian Institute
- ❑ 28. **Personal Revival** / Pray you would be shown any sin in your life and be given the strength to resist it (1 Cor. 10:13). Pray for holiness and an ever-deepening personal relationship with the Lord (Luke 10:27). The following is a spiritual growth resource for you to consider. *Knowledge Of The Holy* A.W. Tozer.
- ❑ 29. **National Revival** / Pray that the Holy Spirit will be poured out on the United Kingdom, bringing deep conviction of sin, and ushering in an extended season of national repentance, conversion, pursuit of holiness, and social responsibility. Additionally, pray that any schemes of the enemy to thwart God's plans and truth in the nation, your church, or in your home, will have no effect.
- ❑ 30. **Laborers** / Jesus Christ taught that the majority would see eternal destruction and only the minority would take the narrow path to eternal life (Mt. 7:13-14 & 7:21-23). Pray as He directed that "laborers" will be raised up to help more find the narrow path to heaven. [*The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord...to send out laborers. Mt. 9:37-38*]
- ❑ 31. Neighbour \_\_\_\_\_ Co-worker \_\_\_\_\_

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