

Weekly Prayer Requests

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What Prayer Is

Prayer is a sincere, sensible, affectionate pouring out of the heart or soul to God, through Christ [John 14:13,14], in the strength and assistance of the Holy Spirit [Romans 8:26], for such things as God hath promised, or according to the Word [1 John 5:14,15], for the good of the church, with submission, in faith, to the will of God [Hebrews 11:6].

“Prayer Power” <http://upperroomyouth.witnesstoday.org/prayerideas.htm> (accessed July 16, 2008)

INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS

Child Brides are a Sad Reality in Yemen

www.cnn.com <http://usavote.wordpress.com/2008/07/07/>

The tradition of child brides in Yemen is a national crisis, with half of all girls being married off before they are 18. One young child bride has recently broken the silence. Married off at age 10, she was routinely beaten and raped by her husband before going public and getting a divorce.

Anglicans Meet amid Homosexual Debate

www.cnn.com

The Lambeth Conference begins this week in England, bringing together bishops from the Anglican Church around the world. However, many of those invited are boycotting it over the debate of homosexuality in the church. Pray against divisions and that godly standards will be upheld.

Food Prices Fuel Sex Work in Afghanistan

www.alertnet.org

High food prices, drought and unemployment are pushing women and girls in Afghanistan into commercial sex work. “I have no way of feeding my children other than by doing this disgusting job,” says one 27-year-old woman. Most are uneducated about HIV/AIDS and have unprotected sex.

Jailed Missionary Continues to Evangelize

www.drjobsmission.com

Nepal: Missionary Manja Tamang has been in prison since 1999, serving a 20-year sentence after being falsely accused of murder. He routinely endures beatings and torture, but is allowed to teach a Bible study with over 35 inmates. He is currently scheduled for early release in spring 2009.

Christians Attacked by Hindu Fanatics

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India: 30 Christians were beaten by Hindu activists as they were preaching in a local village, many receiving serious injuries. Later activists surrounded a building they were in, wanting to attack again. Pray for healing of those who were injured and for cleansing of the hearts of their attackers.

Michael Job Center Welcomes New Girls

www.michaeljobcenter.com

India: The Michael Job Center, which houses and schools orphans, welcomed 8 little girls from Orissa into their facility last month. These girls are from very poor families and have no means of survival. Pray that these children may rise to become extraordinary women in the future.

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS

Video of Canadian Teen in Interrogation

www.cnn.com www.cbc.ca/canada/

A video has surfaced showing a 16-year-old Canadian prisoner, accused of killing an American soldier, weeping in anguish during an interrogation at the U.S. prison camp at Guantanamo Bay. His lawyers are petitioning for extradition back to Canada for him to stand trial. These tapes come amidst allegations of abuse of prisoners at the camp.

Worldwide Suicide Rates

www.poodwaddle.com/clocks2.htm

Over 2,500 people commit suicide worldwide each day. Pray for those who are struggling and going through tough times. Pray that they will find hope and life in Jesus Christ and will experience His love. Pray that those around them would provide prayer, care and help.

Second Billion Movement

www.billionsoul.org/know-the-vision.html

The S.B.M. is a pastor-led initiative focusing on training, encouraging and building into local pastors in order that they might impact their communities for Christ. Their vision is for a billion souls to be changed by the gospel.

LOCAL PRAYER REQUESTS

www.sacredinfusion.org

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