

Prayer Line Alaska

The Call to Prayer in the Alaska Conference

YOU HAVE NOT BECAUSE YOU ASK NOT! James 4:2



The secret power of the Seventh-day Adventist Christian is the Power of Prayer.

The greatest victories gained for the cause of God are not the result of labored argument, ample facilities, wide influence, or abundance of means; they are gained in the audience chamber with God, when with earnest, agonizing faith, men lay hold upon the mighty arm of power. (GW p259)

THE NEED FOR PRAYER

"It is part of God's plan to grant, in answer to the prayer of faith, that which he would not otherwise bestow. (GC p525)

PRAYER LINE ALASKA—THE PLAN

A. In Your Church:

1. To have a prayer season at a business or board meeting and identify three or four people who you feel are endowed with the spiritual gift of intercessory prayer.
2. Form a prayer leadership team for your church.
3. Have your church board and prayer leadership team attend the **Conference-wide Prayer Partners and Bible Workers Training Conference September 19-21, 2008.**
4. They will then help the church to begin development of a four-year plan of how the whole church can be involved in learning to devote an hour a day to Bible study and prayer.

*Ministering angels are waiting about the throne
to instantly obey the mandate of Jesus Christ to answer every prayer
offered in earnest living faith. (SM p377)*

B. Conference-wide Prayer Partners and Bible Workers Training Conference for Church Prayer leaders and Bible Workers, September 19-21, 2008, at the Conference office in Anchorage.

*Prayer is the key, in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse,
where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence. (STC p94)*

C. Conference-wide Fall Week of Fasting and Prayer: November 9-15, 2008, is the North American Division schedule for the fall Week of Prayer.

“If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in Heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.” “Ask of Me, and I will answer your requests.” The promise is made on condition that the united prayers of God's people are offered and in answer to these prayers there may be expected a power greater than that which comes in answer to private prayer. The power given will be proportionate to the unity of the members and their love for God and for one another. (Letter 23, 1903)

D. Conference-wide Sermon Series on Prayer: At Pastors' meetings we will be speaking with our pastors about launching a conference-wide sermon series for the month of February 2009 on the power of prayer. It can include testimonies and other venues for helping establish a strong emphasis on prayer in your church.

Satan cannot endure to have his powerful rival appealed to, for he fears and trembles before His strength and majesty. At the sound of fervent prayer, Satan's whole host trembles. He continues to call legions of evil angels to accomplish his object. And when angels, all-powerful, clothed with the armory of heaven, come to the help of the fainting, pursued soul, Satan and his host fall back, well knowing that their battle is lost. (1T p 345)

WHO ARE THE PRAYER WARRIORS IN YOUR CHURCH?

God is not looking for charisma or talent; He is looking for a willing heart. He is seeking men and women who are willing to develop a vital connection with God through prayer—men and women, young and old—who assault the throne of Heaven and in doing so, turn the tide of overwhelming evil by Satan's forces.

“It is not the capabilities you now possess or ever will have that will give you success. It is that which the Lord can do for you. We need to have far less confidence in what man can do and far more confidence in what God can do for every believing soul. He longs to have you expect great things from Him.” (COL p146)

Our Appeal to You: 1. Organize the church; 2. Identify the intercessors; 3. Train them to pray; and 4. Prepare for the last battle with Satan and His demons. I believe we are not to rest until we have prepared not only our hearts but our church for the greatest battle ever to come upon the earth!

Blessings, Ken Crawford