

NOW IS THE TIME TO UNITE IN PRAYER

PCCNA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MARCH 3–5, 2021



Dear Praying Friends,

During March 3–5, denominational, church network, educational, and parachurch ministry leaders from throughout North America will convene for our **NOW IS THE TIME** PCCNA Annual Conference. This online gathering will feature worship from a broad spectrum of the kingdom of God, anointed presentations from our commission leaders—including Race Relations, Christian Unity, NextGen, Women in Ministry, Acts 2 Church Health, Discipleship, and Evangelism—times of reflection, and prayer. The roles of our PCCNA Communications and Prayer Commissions are integrated throughout various components before, during, and following the conference. We believe this has the potential to be a vitally significant gathering *for such a time as this* when our world continues facing unprecedented challenges in our lifetimes.

We are grateful for your interest and participation and are asking that you join us in prayer during the days that precede and follow the conference. To facilitate this effort, we are providing this five-week prayer guide to assist you in praying for the needs surrounding the conference and the many PCCNA member ministries. God's Spirit is uniting His people in unprecedented ways. We passionately believe that PCCNA can serve as a catalyst for greater expressions of *"demonstrating unity in the power of the Spirit."* Thank you for responding to this call to prayer. History reminds and teaches us that prayer is the foundation for any successful move of God. We need Him to truly bring a Christ awakening and transformational revival throughout North America.

Seeking Him together,

PCCNA Leadership Team

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

WEDNESDAY: COMMISSION ZOOM MEETINGS

Acts 2 Church Health, Christian Unity, Communications/Media, Discipleship, Evangelism, NextGen, Prayer, Race Relations, Women in Ministry, and Denominational Leaders

FRIDAY: MEMBER BUSINESS SESSIONS

Executive Committee Meeting (Invitation Only)
Board of Administration Meeting (Zoom Meeting)

THURSDAY: ONLINE CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Worship and Opening Session
Christian Unity and Race Relations Focus

Worship and Session Two
NextGen and Women in Ministry Focus

Worship and Session Three
Acts 2 Church Health, Discipleship, and Evangelism Focus
Closing Reflections *and Prayer Focus*

WE INVITE YOU TO ENGAGE IN THE FOLLOWING PRAYER TARGETS DAILY DURING THE THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO AND TWO WEEKS FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE (OR AS OFTEN AS YOU WOULD LIKE).

WEEK ONE

Pray the following for plenary sessions and commission meetings:

1. Holy Spirit inspired wisdom and revelation for preparation and presentations
2. Physical health and spiritual protection over PCCNA executive leaders, commission chairs, their families, and ministries they serve
3. That presenters and participants would be able to exhibit what they are sharing and teaching in greater measure as they re-engage actionable strategies after the conference

And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power (1 Corinthians 2:1–5).

PRAY AND EXPERIENCE SCRIPTURE

Acknowledge “And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him” (1 John 5:14–15). Pause quietly before the Lord and ask Him to change you, to make you a person who reflects His name. You know this prayer is according to His will, so boldly declare your desire to become more of His “house of prayer.”

Praise God for His sovereignty over the whole earth, every nation, race, and language; rest in the assurance that He is the I Am, who gives strong support to those whose hearts are set on seeking Him—Revelation 4:11; Isaiah 40:18, 21–26; 2 Chronicles 16:9.

Thank God for His supernatural favor, abundant blessings, and opportunity that He has provided for us to pray and seek His face as we desire to make known to North America His wonderful grace and provision—Psalm 17:1, 6–8; 105:1–5; 2 Chronicles 20:12b.

Petition God to divinely cover every aspect of our *NOW IS THE TIME Conference* with His anointing, guidance, and protection, asking that all we do be established on a firm foundation of truth; humbly ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten God's Word and reveal areas of unconfessed pride and our need for repentance and reconciliation—John 16:13–15; 1 John 2:20, 27; 2 Corinthians 1:21; 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Believe God to call, anoint, inspire, and engage a generation of mighty intercessors, worshipers, ministers, and servants to be used of Him; express your trust in His ability and desire to use His church as instruments in His hand to loose the bands of wickedness, demonstrate compassion to those in need, and live unified with one another as we prepare for Christ's return—Isaiah 58:6–12; Romans 8:28–30; Ephesians 4:11–15; Psalm 45:7.

Surrender to the Holy Spirit, submitting fully in new and fresh ways to the Lord, releasing Him to fulfill His purposes for our individual lives and for our time together as He positions His people throughout North America to humble ourselves and pray, seek His face, and turn from our wicked ways that He might hear from heaven, forgive our sin, and heal our land—Psalm 24:1–6; 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Wait before the Lord, listening for His voice and direction from the Holy Spirit; remember to thank God for hearing and answering our prayers—Psalm 25:5; 27:14; 62:5–8.

WEEK TWO

Pray for the nations, denominations, and ministries who are part of PCCNA.

1. That the bond of unity and fellowship among leaders and members would be greatly strengthened—Ephesians 4:1–3; Romans 15:5–7
2. That each ministry would see an increase of “elders in the gates” taking their place advancing God’s kingdom reign across their nations, states/provinces, cities, and communities
3. That spiritual strongholds would be exposed and weakened through the application of sustainable biblical strategies—2 Corinthians 10:3–5
4. For an acceleration of evangelism, discipleship, reconciliation, and church health that promotes unity as evidenced in denominational movements and the broader kingdom of God around the world

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1–3).

PRAY AND EXPERIENCE SCRIPTURE

Declare “Apart from me you can do nothing” (John 15:5b). Pray your own prayer of declaration. Tell God how much you need His help to change your spiritual condition—apart from Him you can do nothing. As you pray, believe Jesus is present, available, and sufficient.

Praise God as the all-knowing, ever-present, and all-powerful Most High God who brought the universe into existence with the word of His mouth and who acts on the behalf of His people—Isaiah 43:10–13; 44:6–8; 46:9–10; Romans 11:33–36.

Thank God for sending His Holy Spirit, who convicts, calls, regenerates, renews, empowers, anoints, comforts, and guides believers toward His purpose in the world; **pause** to reflect on how the Spirit still points people to Christ and brings glory to Him—John 16:5–15.

Pray the Lord will create in us pure hearts and sanctify His church with His truth; confess your need for His mercy; **yield** yourself to the One whose nail-pierced hands are extended to lovingly embrace you as you abandon anything that interferes with Him fulfilling His purposes in your life—Psalm 51:10–13; John 17:17–19; Ephesians 5:26–27; Psalm 130:1–4; Isaiah 53:4–6.

Ask God to send a refining fire to cleanse the entire body of Christ (His church) of any hindrances—things in our lives that have become a distraction and are separating us from Him; **listen** as He reveals those things that may be hindering a mighty move of the Holy Spirit to empower His people to speak His Word boldly and express His love and compassion with kindness—Malachi 3:1–2; Titus 2:11–14; Acts 4:31; Ephesians 2:1–5; Psalm 24:3–5.

Recognize and acknowledge problems resulting from patterns in your life or ministry because of sowing wrongly, dishonoring authority, reacting inappropriately to wrongs or perceived wrongs against you, and for judging others; **remember** He has made you alive with Christ as you sense being seated in a heavenly place with Him—Galatians 6:7–10; Ephesians 2:6, 7; 6:1–3; Romans 2:1–4; 12:14.

Believe and declare aloud that the fruit and gifts of the Spirit will begin to be more fully realized within the body of Christ that has been cleansed, renewed, and restored to right standing with Him—Galatians 5:22–23; 1 Corinthians 12:1–11; Romans 12:6–8.

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WEEK THREE

Pray for the conference participants, online streaming process, and all technical aspects.

1. That God would sovereignly stir those whom He has prepared to participate, and that participants from each region and member organization would be engaged
2. That the Lord's favor would rest on all who are working behind the scenes in producing, editing, coordinating, and administrating conference details
3. That the online streaming platforms and processes with Sermon.net would be smooth (taking authority over technical "glitches")
4. That the Holy Spirit would charge the atmosphere across the Internet connections, in our homes, offices, and North America with the spirit of unity, power, revelation, wisdom, healing, abundant favor and grace; take authority over the atmosphere that nothing would interfere with the work God is doing in our hearts

The Lord says to my lord: "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet. The Lord will extend your mighty scepter from Zion, saying, "Rule in the midst of your enemies!" Your troops will be willing on your day of battle. Arrayed in holy splendor, your young men will come to you like dew from the morning's womb (Psalm 110:1–3).

PRAY AND EXPERIENCE SCRIPTURE

Declare "If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer" (Matthew 21:22). Pray the following prayers with boldness, believing that you will receive what you ask according to His will. Therefore, in boldness, make your requests known to God.

Praise God as the *El Shaddai*, the Lord Almighty who pours forth life, and as *Jehovah Nissi*, the Lord our Banner (rallying point) as we unite, believing Him for the answers to our prayers—Genesis 17:1–2; Exodus 17:14–15.

Thank God for opening our eyes to see His vision for the church and the victory that awaits us as He restores our biblical foundations and moves us into a new place of intimacy and communion with Him; trust the Lord of Hosts to open our eyes to see new strategies for serving Him together that will break the enemy's power—Habakkuk 2:2–3; Matthew 28:19–20; Hebrews 10:19–22; Acts 10:30–42.

Petition the Lord to give wisdom and insight for directing the affairs of our families and ministries from what seems insignificant to the most major decisions involving every area of our lives to create a new depth of love, honor, and respect between family members, churches, generations, races, cultures, genders, and any other arena Holy Spirit brings to your mind—Ephesians 1:15–23; 5:22–33; Colossians 3:18–21.

Pray concerning a great youth awakening on our campuses that will be historical, breaking all records because God is on a mission; **recognize** the gift of our younger generations and the responsibility we have to train them in the way they should go not only intellectually but spiritually and emotionally; **trust God** to continually keep a host of angels around them to protect and keep them, guarding them for the traps that would be set to destroy them and their future godly influence in our world—Psalm 78:1–8; 2 Timothy 3:14–17; Proverbs 9:10; 2 Timothy 1:6–14.

Intercede for Christ to restore our communities, giving us a heightened awareness of how we can live prayer-care-share lifestyles, empowered through His Holy Spirit as He removes any barriers (language, finance, spiritual opposition, etc.) to accomplishing His work through us—Matthew 10:7–8; Acts 2:42–47; Ephesians 2:10; Isaiah 40:1–5.

Believe that God's kingdom will come, and His will be done in our individual lives, families, cities, states, provinces, and nations, and nothing will hinder His hand because He is able to make social unrest cease, bringing peace where there is turmoil and hope where there is despair—Matthew 6:9–13; Daniel 4:34–35; Psalm 46; Isaiah 2:2–4.

Wait before the Lord, listening for His voice and direction from the Holy Spirit; remember to thank God for hearing and answering our prayers—Psalm 25:5; 27:14; 62:5–8.

WEEK FOUR

Pray for relationships that are God-ordained, lasting, and purposeful.

1. That purposeful connections be established between leaders of various movements and ministries to bring about sustained national and international impact
2. For on-going equipping opportunities for those called to lead in any areas related to our various commissions and ministry initiatives
3. That relationships established bring fresh energy and vision for building sustainable, fruit-bearing, God-glorifying ministry
4. For God to be amid leaders and commissions especially as they meet for fellowship, dialogue, and develop ongoing strategies in alignment with the Holy Spirit's stirring and igniting transformational revival in our cities and nations

From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows, and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work (Ephesians 4:16).

PRAY AND EXPERIENCE SCRIPTURE

Abraham was described as “the friend of God.” And because of this friendship, the Lord paused to share with Abraham all that He was about to do in Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18:17). God paused to reveal His plans to Abraham. This same Lord wants to reveal Himself to you; He wants to share the plans that He has for your life.

Pause now and pray Lord, I’m listening—how might You want to fulfill your purposes through my life? Speak, Lord—I want to hear You—1 Samuel 3:8–9.

Listen quietly for the Lord’s voice. Give Him time to speak and then thank Him for His friendship and willingness to reveal His plan for you as an individual and His church, united as one—Psalm 133; John 17:1, 20–23.

Praise God the Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, the Shepherd who cares for His sheep and desires for us to hear His voice —John 10:1–18.

Thank God that those who belong to Him and yield our lives in obedience to His voice (Word) will be placed high above all the nations on earth, and He will grant that the enemies who rise against us will be defeated before us as we are established as His people on the earth—Deuteronomy 28:1–14; Psalm 81:13–14.

Recognize and embrace the truth that the One to whom we yield our lives is worthy of praise, His greatness is unfathomable, and His kingdom is unending; **encounter** Him as the One who is the very essence of love, gentleness, compassion, and strength—Psalm 145:3–13; 1 John 4:4–8; Matthew 11:25–30.

Ask God to fill each of us with His Spirit that we might unite in prayer, purpose, and passion during the conference and throughout the coming year; **believe** the Spirit will help our weaknesses, intercede for and through us as He teaches us to pray according to the Father's will—Ephesians 5:15–20; Romans 8:26–28; John 6:40; 15:9–17.

Rejoice that as we believe in Him and yield ourselves individually and corporately to His will, we will experience a divine refreshing in our innermost being that will impact the community of faith and overflow to the world around us—Psalm 133:1–3; John 7:37–38; Isaiah 12:1–6; 44:3.

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WEEK FIVE

Pray for those called to intercession and the ministries of apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers.

1. For the Lord of hosts to quickly raise up an army of intercessors to agree, align, and ask God to sovereignly fulfill all His purposes, and thwart all the enemy's plans—Proverbs 19:21; 2 Thessalonians 3:3; 1 John 3:8
2. That the incense of prayer for specific cities/states/provinces would result in measurable transformation of individuals, families, and nationwide cultures.
3. That the Holy Spirit would inspire and empower prayer movements in cities and regions, with an aim to see prophetic fulfillment of the Word of the Lord in Habakkuk 2:14, "For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God (Romans 8:26–27).

PRAY AND EXPERIENCE SCRIPTURE

Declare "Don't put your confidence in powerful people; there is no help for you there. But joyful are those who have the God of Israel as their helper, whose hope is in the Lord their God. He gives justice to the oppressed and food to the hungry"—Psalm 146:3, 5, 7.

Praise God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and Redeemer, who came to seek and save those who are lost, to preach the gospel to the poor, to proclaim release to captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, and to set free those who are oppressed—Psalm 18:46; 68:19–20; Luke 4:18–19; 19:9–10; Jude 1:24–25.

Thank God for the gospel of Jesus Christ, the power of God for salvation to all who believe, remembering your personal moment of salvation and thanking Him for the privilege to share the Good News of eternal life with others—Romans 1:16, 17; Psalm 40:1–3.

Pray for the Lord to reveal strategic ways to help more effectively meet the physical and spiritual needs of others as we focus our energies on cultivating relationships with those needing Christ—Psalm 107:9; Matthew 25:40; 2 Corinthians 5:14, 25; John 6:44; 17:3.

Ask God to grant access for the gospel through the following:

- Open heavens . . . to reveal the gospel—Isaiah 45:8
- Open minds . . . to hear the gospel—Acts 26:17–18
- Open hearts . . . to embrace the gospel—2 Corinthians 4:5–6
- Open doors . . . to spread the gospel—Colossians 4:2–4

Intercede for those you know personally who are unsaved and proclaim that these verses from God's Word will become a reality in their lives—Isaiah 42:6–7; John 8:12; 14:6; Romans 10:8–11.

Wait before the Lord, listening for His voice and direction from the Holy Spirit; remember to thank God for hearing and answering our prayers—Psalm 25:5; 27:14; 62:5–8.