



# PRAY FOR SCHOOLS

*30 Days Of United Prayer For Schools (Sept. 1-30, 2017)*

*“Fixing Our Eyes on Jesus”  
(Heb. 12:2)*

**Pray For Schools** is a coalition of Christian ministries inviting the body of Christ in America to engage in prayer for the emerging generations in three ways:

- 1. Mobilize churches to set aside a portion of their worship services on the third Sunday of September to unite in prayer for students and teachers (This year, it's September 17).*
- 2. Invite people to pray for 30 days in September, following a prayer guide that can be downloaded from [www.prayforschools.com](http://www.prayforschools.com) and/or followed on social media (see website for details).*
- 3. Encourage believers of all ages and from all walks of life to continue to pray for schools, utilizing the various prayer initiatives featured on the website.*

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## **Week 1: Jesus the Hope For The Emerging Generations**

### **Fri. 9/1 – Hope**

*Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for Him." The Lord is good to those whose hope is in Him, to the one who seeks Him. (Lam. 3:21-25)*

- Thank God that our hope for schools and students is not a “maybe” or a “perhaps,” but a certainty, based on His character and promises.

[Learn more about “First Fridays Prayer & Fasting” under “Resources/Prayer Guides” at [www.ifapray.org](http://www.ifapray.org)]

### **Sat. 9/2 – Confidence in Prayer**

*This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us — whatever we ask — we know that we have what we asked of Him. (1 John 5:14-15)*

- Thank God for the confidence of answered prayers as we pray His purposes into reality, that His Kingdom come and His will be done on earth (in schools, among students) as it is in heaven.

### **Sun. 9/3 - Assurance**

*For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. (Hab. 2:14)*

- Thank God for the assurance that His purposes *will* prevail, and He *will* reach the emerging generations, bringing them salvation, deliverance, healing, freedom, and fullness of Kingdom life.

## **Week 2: Jesus the Lover of Students**

### **Mon. 9/4 – Identity In Christ**

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For He chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in His sight. (Eph. 1:3-4)*

- Ask God to give Christian students a fresh revelation of who they are in the eyes of their Father – beloved, created with a purpose and destiny, objects of His continued affection and blessing.

### **Tues. 9/5 – Spiritual Growth & Maturity Among Christian Students**

*I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better. (Eph. 1:17)*

- Intercede for spiritual growth and fruitfulness among students of all ages.

### **Wed. 9/6 - Wise Moral & Ethical Choices**

*And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ. (Phil. 1:9-10)*

- Ask God to empower Christian students to stand strong in a culture of moral/ethical relativism.

### **Thurs. 9/7 – Deceptive Moral Philosophies**

*See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. (Col. 2:8)*

- Ask God to give students a childlike faith, and words by His Spirit to disarm those who champion worldly philosophies and morality.

### **Fri. 9/8 - Healing From Abuse, Fatherlessness**

*You hear, O Lord, the desire of the afflicted; You encourage them, and You listen to their cry, defending the fatherless and the oppressed, in order that man, who is of the earth, may terrify no more. (Ps. 10:17-18)*

- Pray for the healing of students wounded by abuse, fatherlessness and family dysfunction; pray for the reconciliation and restoration of damaged families.

### **Sat. 9/9 - Freedom From Addictions, Immorality, Pornography**

*It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery . . . live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. (Gal.5:1,16)*

- Cry out to God to break the yokes of slavery to addictions, immorality and pornography off of Christian students, empowering them by His Spirit to live in freedom and victory.

### **Sun. 9/10 – Christlike Character**

*Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. (1 Tim. 4:12)*

- Ask the Father to show children, teens and young adults that Godly character matters, no matter what the age.

## **Week 3: Jesus The One Who Blesses Schools**

### **Mon. 9/11 - Student-led Campus Clubs**

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. (Col. 4:2)*

- Ask God to establish and strengthen prayer-based, student-led campus clubs on school campuses across the country.

### **Tues. 9/12 - A Clear, Bold Testimony**

*Pray for me also, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel . . . pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should. (Eph. 6:19-20)*

- Pray for a strong witness – a holy lifestyle and anointed words - by Christian students at school and among their peers.

### **Wed. 9/13 - Unity Among Christians**

*May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 15:5-6)*

- Pray for a spirit of unity across all denominational, organizational, ethnic, gender, and socio-economic barriers.

### **Thurs. 9/14 - Removal of Blindness**

*The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (2 Cor. 4:4)*

- Ask God to lift the spiritual blindness generated by the enemy, so students might see Jesus as He really is, and clearly hear the good news of the gospel of the Kingdom.

### **Fri. 9/15 – Divine Favor**

*For surely, O Lord, You bless the righteous; You surround them with Your favor as with a shield. (Ps. 5:12) And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. (Luke 2:52)*

- Pray for divine favor for Christian students among their peers, teachers, and at their schools.

### **Sat. 9/16 - School Leadership: Teachers, Principals, Coaches, Administrators**

*I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. (1 Tim. 2:1-2)*

- Pray that Christians in leadership positions at schools would see afresh, and embrace anew, the strategic ministry God has given them.

### **Sun. 9/17 - Ministers to the Emerging Generations**

*When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. (Matt. 9:36)*

- Ask God to open the eyes of those who work with young people, so that they can see the lost, broken and wounded with the eyes of Jesus, and to be moved with His compassion to reach out. [Learn more about *Bless Our Schools Sunday (BOSS)* at [www.momsinprayer.org](http://www.momsinprayer.org)]

## **Week 4: Jesus the Seeker of The Lost**

### **Mon. 9/18 – Campus Missionaries**

*Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.” (Matt. 9:38)*

- Ask God to send out workers - students, youth workers, teachers, coaches, anyone! - into the ripe harvest fields of schools.

### **Tues. 9/19 - Spiritually Healthy Families**

*These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. (Deut. 5:6-9)*

- Ask God to instill in Christian parents a renewed commitment to raise their children, and to live themselves, in a way that pleases Him.

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### **Thurs. 9/21 – Students Losing Faith in the High School/College Transition**

*But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. (Mark 4:17)*

- Intercede for Christ-following students, that they would become deeply rooted in their faith, and not only survive, but thrive in, the transition to college.

### **Fri. 9/22 – Civil Unrest, Escalating Racial Tension, Increased Violence**

*And will not God bring about justice for His chosen ones, who cry out to Him day and night? (Luke 18:7a) Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. (Dan. 12:3)*

- Ask God to raise up young healers, deliverers, reconcilers, and intercessors (lit. “those who stand in the gap”) in schools across our land.

### **Sat. 9/23 - Ongoing Political Turmoil**

*Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help, who rely on horses, who trust in the multitude of their chariots and in the great strength of their horsemen, but do not look to the Holy One of Israel, or seek help from the Lord. (Is. 31:1)*

- Appeal to heaven for the emerging generations, that they would respect and intercede for those in authority over them, yet live as citizens of heaven who serve an eternal King.

### **Sun. 9/24 Lord’s Prayer**

*This, then, is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. (Matt. 6:9-10)*

- Agree that God’s Kingdom **will** come and His purposes **will** be accomplished on school campuses, and among students, across America!

## **Week 5: Jesus the Redeemer of All People Groups**

### **Mon. 9/25 - Primary Schools**

*And He said: "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes a little child like this in My name welcomes Me. (Matt. 18:3-5)*

- Most people who come to Christ do so before their teen years. Pray for a mighty spiritual harvest among the children of our nation.

### **Tues. 9/26 - Secondary Schools**

*With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of His calling, and that by His power He may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith. (2 Thess. 1:11)*

- Today's youth culture is a "wild frontier" of moral and ethical ambiguity; pray for the protection of Christian students, and the rescue of those who do not yet know Christ.

### **Wed. 9/27 – A Nameless, Faceless Generation of Intercessors**

*They all met together and were constantly united in prayer. (Acts 1:14)*

- Ask God to stir the hearts of both students, and those who work with them, to pray as never before for an awakening among the unreached people group of the emerging generations of American students!

[Learn more about See You At The Pole at [www.syatp.org](http://www.syatp.org)]

### **Thurs. 9/28 - Colleges/Universities**

*Finally, brothers, pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you. (2 Thess. 3:3)*

- Historically, revivals/awakenings have most always started among young people, and especially among collegians. Pray that God would ignite a fresh awakening among collegians – one that would spread across America, and the world.

### **Fri. 9/29 – The Emerging Generations**

*People were bringing little children to Jesus to have Him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, He was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these. (Mark 10:13-14) Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. (1 Tim. 4:12)*

- More than half of the population of the world is under the age of 25. Appeal to Heaven for the salvation, healing, deliverance, and commissioning of the emerging generations as end-times ministers and missionaries!

### **Sat. 9/30 – The Goal**

*After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." (Rev. 7:9-10)*

- Praise God that His purposes will prevail, and that a massive and diverse harvest will one day stand together before the throne of God in united worship!

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