

# Weekly Online Prayer Focus

## March 23-28, 2020

### DAILY AWAKENING PRAYER:

Pray that God's kingdom would come in power to our homes, our neighbors, and every generation so that many will come to know Christ and do His will.

Your kingdom come. — Matthew 6:10

### MONDAY: National Collegiate Partners

#### Wes & Leah Brooks:

In the midst of the global spread of COVID-19, universities are shutting down or moving online, large gatherings are put on hold, and social distancing becomes the norm. In-person ministries are being required to change the way they operate, but the need for digital missions is only accelerating. Here's how you can specifically be praying for Cru, Digital Missions, and our family:

- For the majority of Cru's 30,000 missionary staff and volunteers across the globe, in-person ministry has become extremely challenging in light of COVID-19. Pray for courageous creativity for our staff as they seek to continue to fulfill the great commission and love our neighbors well when social distancing is becoming the norm.
- One *huge* opportunity for believers across the globe to engage in the mission at a distance is to explore digital missions. In recent weeks, we've seen Cru staff that have been hesitant to explore digital missions now eager and hungry for digital tools, strategies, and trainings. Across the globe, our digital missionaries have been developing new trainings and webinars for our staff, for churches, and for the greater body of Christ. Pray that these resources would serve our staff and the broader body of Christ well, enabling thousands of missionaries to be re-sent out of their day-to-day ministry and into the digital world.
- As people are quarantined at home and surfing the Internet, we have a significantly larger opportunity to share the gospel with them in the midst of their Google searches for anxiety, boredom, and connection. Pray that many people would see and discover Jesus through their Google searches and exploring the digital resources we've spent years building. Pray that Jesus would cause revival to break out in the midst of this global pandemic. Pray that he would use what seems like evil instead for great good, introducing hundreds and thousands of people to the hope that only He can bring.
- Pray that both Leah and I would remain healthy and strong through the midst of this pandemic so we can stay hyper-focused on training and equipping believers in digital missions. Pray that the Lord would inspire the projects our teams take on towards this end, as we shift our focuses towards stewarding the opportunity of increased digital engagement.

#### Seth & Kira Stewart:

##### Dorm Loneliness

- We've had more suicide attempts and successes this year than ever before. Students now have solitary rooms without roommates. These isolating situations have made loneliness even more of an issue in this time. Furthermore, the Resident Advising Staff has become an even more difficult organization to partner with in recent years (we formerly had amazing relationships with these people, but they have had some individuals switch out in leadership)

##### First Year of Marriage

- On a personal note, I'm in my first year of marriage. Pray blessing for our first year! We're learning a lot about clear communication and navigating our schedules with me in full time seminary and full time work at CSF!

### TUESDAY: Pregnancy Center and Counseling Center

Pray for the HCBC counselors. Pray that we will be able to boldly speak the truth in love to the people that we counsel, even when it is difficult, and we know that they may not respond well. "Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ." **Ephesians 4:15**

Pray for the Hope Center for Pregnancy. Pray that women can find it a place of refuge, a place where they encounter the Lord and experience His protection. "But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exalt you. For you bless the righteous, O Lord; you cover them with favor as with a shield."

#### **Psalm 5:11-12**

### WEDNESDAY: Continued Revival in Living Hope

Focus your prayer around: **2 Corinthians 5:20** "Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God."

*Pray: Father, Living Hope bears Your name. We are Your representatives in this world. We have dishonored You and Your name through our indifference, unconcern, and lack of holiness. How can You bear allowing us to continue as we are? Have mercy on us, O God! Grant revival to us that we might live lives worthy for Your name's sake.*

### THURSDAY: A need in our city, nation, or world

Continue to pray for the needs associated with the coronavirus outbreak.

- Pray for those infected with the coronavirus to be healed.

- Pray for those grieving the loss of loved ones to be comforted and to look to Jesus.
- Ask God to give wisdom to world leaders to care for the sick and protect the people of their country.
- Pray for those working on a cure to stay healthy and find a cure.
- Pray for practical and just ways to isolate the virus from the healthy population.

**FRIDAY: Pray Living Hope (LH) will impact our homes, our neighbors, and every generation with the hope of Jesus.**

Pray for LH homes to be places where disciple making happens.

- Pray for LH moms and dads to share the hope of the Gospel in their home.
- Pray for LH homes to be filled with prayer, Bible study, laughter, and peace.
- Pray for LH to be trained in Three Big Things and the Disciple's Life so that disciples can make disciples.
- Pray that Jesus is honored in the homes of LH people.

**SATURDAY: Pray for our worship gathering**

This Sunday we continue our series: **See How Homes Are Made Healthy**

**Title: It Happens with Wisdom | Series: See How Homes Are Made Healthy**

**Text: Proverbs 3:1-8**

**Main Thrust:** Parents have to know and teach the basics to their kids. We are passing down a way of life to our kids. We need to know the Word and how it applies in real life decisions and train kids to be wise - to live out what God's Word says and teaches.

- Challenge people to live the truth of what the Bible teaches. SBC people often know far more than they do. We must do what we learn (James 2).
- Encourage people to celebrate wise decisions. As kids are learning from mistakes, celebrate.
- Teach people the challenges of kids in a social media, post-Christian world and help them negotiate it with truth realizing the world is changing fast and their kids are going to face even greater challenges. They need to learn the practical way of wisdom in the Word now and be able to discover and discern how to live the faith in the dark days ahead. **THIS IS THE HARD WORK OF BEING A PARENT!** You have to know the real world things that are happening and coming. We can't trust the government systems the way we used to. (ill- any furries at school? Kids knew. People who are self-identifying as an animal and even walking and expressing selves as their animal. This is in Indianapolis and Louisville.)
- Help people appreciate God's grace in giving wisdom. The Word is a gift (Ps 19/119). Prayer is a gift and God will give wisdom, if we ask (James 2).