Prayer Proclamations



And I say unto you, ASK and it shall be given you; SEEK, and you shall find; KNOCK, and it shall be opened unto you. For everyone that seeks, finds; and to him that knocks, it shall be opened." Luke 11:9-10

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Dear Prayer Warriors,

For three years we have declared God's WORD over our cities, counties, states and nation. It has been quite a journey! We started with the 67 counties in Florida, added 14 states up the Eastern Seaboard, and then the 50 states and a few other nations.

We began by calling these *declarations* and as time progressed, they have become **Prayer Proclamations.** The word *proclaim* comes from a Latin word that means "to shout forth." It also means, "to confess" (to say the same as). In medieval times a proclamation was the activity of a *herald*. The *herald* was a person of authority sent from the king, duke or nobleman to go into public and proclaim the decision of that ruler. The herald would shout, "Oyez, Oyez!" meaning "hear ye, hear ye." This was used to gain attention and quiet the crowd to hear the WORD from the ruler. We are walking into public spacing in our territories and we are saying, "Hear ye, Hear ye, the WORD of the LORD."

When feelings became facts, our nation began a downward spiral in idolatry and sin. Truth is not determined by our feelings, nor by a majority vote. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the light" (John 14:6). He is the living WORD and all truth comes from Him. So, we will proclaim His WORD as a means of healing our nation.

God called us to speak His WORD out loud because the WORD is truth and we are sanctified by it (John 17:7). His WORD sets us free (John 8:32). The entrance of His WORD brings light and understanding (Psalm 119:130). The broken are healed at His WORD (Psalm 147:3), sickness leaves at His WORD (Psalm 107:20), the lost are found at His WORD (1 Corinthians 1:18), and light comes and replaces the darkness at His WORD (Genesis 1:3-4).

These Prayer Proclamations are almost entirely scripture because, "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the WORD of God" (Romans 10:7). We proclaim His WORD because, the seed is the WORD of God (Luke 8:11). We pray His WORD because, the WORD of God will continue to increase (Acts 6:7). We shout His WORD because, He magnifies His WORD above His name (Psalm 138:2). We attend to His WORD because, His WORD does not return void (Isaiah 55:11) and He watches over His WORD to perform it (Jeremiah 1:12). We will continue these Prayer Proclamations over our state because, the WORD of the Lord remains forever! (1 Peter 1:25).

WE STAND, SHIELDS LOCKED TOGETHER, and PROCLAIM HIS WORD!

Because of His sacrifice,

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ADVANCE to BATTLE

We will ADVANCE, ADVANCE; we will NOT retreat from the battle. As it is written, "Prepare for war! Wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near, let them come up "(Joel 3:9). We ARE AWAKE and we have taken our places in the battle set before us. We are ADVANCING to take back ALL that belongs to our King.

The gates of hell shall NOT prevail against the church (Matt. 16:18) NOR will it prevail against Israel. "It will now be said about Jacob and Israel, "What great things God has done" (Num. 23:23) for You shall show Yourself strong and mighty in battle.

We CALL UPON the COVENANT You, Yahweh, made Abraham and the following generations of Isaac and Jacob in Gen. 12. As it is written, "You will bless Abraham and make his name great among all nations." You have said, "You will bless those who bless Israel and curse those who dishonor Israel" (Gen 12:1-3). You are not a man that You should lie and what You have blessed cannot be revoked (Num. 23:19-20).

Father, prepare our hearts to be like David whose heart was after You! Just like with David, Lord we ask for the uncircumcised Philistines and those who stand with them, to be taken down with one stone (1 Sam. 17:50-53). Cut off the head of the enemy, destroying the strategies against Israel and America.

We will ADVANCE like in the battle of Jericho (Joshua 5). We will march around the walls of our cities through prayer and watch the enemy fall.

We will ADVANCE to the altar of false gods and will watch as the enemy's agenda is exposed. Yahweh, bring fire from heaven "so these people will know that you, Lord, are God" and Lord, turn their hearts to You (1 Kings 18).

We will ADVANCE through fasting, prayer and praise as did Israel under King Jehoshaphat when he came up against a great multitude against them. We acknowledge that "the battle is not ours", but Yours, O Lord. We "will not need to fight in this battle." We will stand firm, hold our position, and see the salvation of the LORD on our behalf" ((2 Chron 20: 15-17).

Lord, You will give us strategies to surround the enemy from all sides and as we praise and lift up Your holy name, we will watch the enemy fall.

We stand in agreement that

- We are NOT defined by hell, but by Your Kingdom.
- We are NOT defined by politics but by Your reign and rule through the church.
- We are NOT defined by the woke media, or worldly arts & entertainment but by all the beauty You brought forth in creation.
- We are NOT defined by humanistic higher education, but by Wisdom through the Water of the Word.
- We are NOT defined by the world economy but by stewardship of His resources.
- We are NOT defined by science and technology but by the one who created all things to be good for His kingdom.

We ask for Your protection over our resources including all supplies lines: oil, gas, petroleum and water & electric facilities. No evil shall infiltrate these lines.

We ask for Your protection over lines of transportation on highways, railways, airplanes, and boats; that these lines shall remain open for Kingdom business!

We ask for protection over all lines of communication in both Israel & in America. We ask for the exposure to any plans to hinder our nation's communication or that of Israel. We ask for all false communication from the enemy to be stopped and exposed.

We ask for protection over all gates into our cities and state: waterways, harbors, ports, highways. Lord, place a ring of fire that will only allow righteousness to pass through these gates. Father, block of the gates at our nation's borders to any plan of the enemy to bring in terrorism, trafficking, drugs or any other evil thing. Undergird Israel and make her borders secure and locked to any evil trying to gain entrance.

We ask for wisdom and strategy to be given to the US and Israeli military and protection for those who fight in Your name (James 1:5).

We petition You for protection over the bodies and minds of our youth. Return education in America to its original intent of teaching Your Word and Your ways.

"He who keeps Israel, keeps us" in this nation (Ps 121:4-7) so we stand on this covenantal promise!

ALIGN for BATTLE

Alignment with the Word

Father, we acknowledge that sin pulls everything out of alignment. "Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting" (Ps 139: 24).

For Your Word, is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of my heart (Hebrews 4:12).

I REPENT by confessing my sinful thoughts and actions, and declaring the Blood of Yeshua washes all my sins and cleanses all my unrighteousness (1 John 1:9) and brings my body, soul, mind and spirit into righteous alignment.

As it is written, "You have put Your words in my mouth. You have this day, set us over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to throw down, to build and to plant. For You are ready to perform Your word" (Isaiah 1:10 & 12).

We are aligned with Your Word, Father, and Your Spirit rules our body, soul, mind and spirit. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." "The entrance of Your Word brings light and gives understanding" (Ps. 119: 105, 130).

As it is written, Your Word is light and truth to dispel any darkness and expose the lies. You "have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in You should stay in darkness" (John 12:46).

Alignment with One Another

This month as we stand TOGETHER across county/city/state lines, it is our intent that every believer takes their proper position in relation to each other, playing his or her part, to form a functioning Church, working together towards Your will and purpose.

We SUBMIT ourselves to 1 Cor. 12: 24-26, "God has put the body together in such a way that He gives greater dignity to the parts that lack it, so that there will be no disagreements within the body, but rather that all parts will be equally concerned for all others. Thus, if one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; and if one part is honored, all the parts share its happiness" (Complete Jewish Bible).

We know that two cannot "walk together, unless they are agreed" (Amos 3:3) and thus, we proclaim agreement around God's Word as we prepare for battle. We are the body and You are the head (Col. 1:18) and we walk in divine alignment according to Your foreknowledge.

As it is written, "the new wine is found in the cluster" and by coming together for common purpose and walking in unity, we will command the blessing of Isaiah 65:8. We will honor one another in the body of Christ and walk in John 17 "as one" in unity, with arms linked, to prepare ourselves for the battle before us.

Aligned for Battle

We pray that as we link arms across city, county, and state lines, that we are linking arms in the spiritual. We ask for angel armies to be stationed on our borders of our city, county, and state "to hearkening unto the voice of Your Word" (Psalm 103:20).

As it is written, we will "not be afraid of their faces, For I AM is with us to deliver us." For He has put His words in our mouths and has this day set us over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to throw down, to build and to plant" (Jeremiah 1:8-10).

As it is written in Philippians 1:28 (AMP), "And in no way be alarmed or intimidated in anything by your enemy, for such constancy and fearlessness on your part is a clear sign, a proof and a seal for the enemy of their impending destruction, but a clear sign for you of deliverance and salvation, and that too, from God."

We pray that You, Father, "execute written judgment on the enemy" (Psalm 149:9) for You said, "Is not My Word like a fire saith Jehovah; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces" (Jeremiah 23:29). We pray that Your Word breaks the plans of the enemy in (city/county/state).

ALIGN with ISREAL

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Preamble

ricanible				
We in the State of proclaim that the Bible is our foundation for life, revealing the very nature of Adonai Himself, and how we should then live in relationship with Him in light of these absolutes.				
The Church in the State of are in full agreement that the people of Israel ARE Adonai's chosen people (Deut. 7:6), through which He foretold, demonstrated and then extended His plan for the salvation of all mankind through Messiah Yeshua (Acts 2:23).				
We declare that Scripture is our roadmap (2 Tim 3:16-17) for end-time events related to Israel and the Middle East, and accept the invitation Adonai has extended for us to partner with Him as watchmen on the walls for the days in which we live (Isaiah 62:6).				
Intercessor's Confession				
As followers of Messiah Yeshua in (State), we acknowledge we have often been less than kind to Your people; Israel. We have been blinded and misguided by antisemitic thoughts, expressions, doctrines, and behaviors. Of these we ask for forgiveness, cleansing and Your mercy toward us (Psalm 32:5 & Prov. 28:13b).				
We repent of living lives that fail to exhibit Your true nature, character, and heart. O Adonai. We repent of being poor examples of morally and ethically sound people. Help us Messiah Yeshua to model what faith, hope and charity looks like (1 Corinthians 13:13); to the end that we may provoke your people to jealousy (Rom 11:11-14).				
The Only Reliable Source				
We proclaim that the Scriptures, Adonai's distinct prophetic words, provide the only reliable source of light and revelation upon the current situation in the Middle East; and most vividly the prophetic promises regarding Israel (Isaiah 44:7).				
The Ultimate Destiny				
We in the State of are in full agreement that Adonai has determined the ultimate destiny of both Israel and the Church in eternity on the basis of His foreknowledge (Isaiah 46:10). Its outworking in time is guaranteed by the irrevocable covenants, which Adonai has made with each of them. Adonai will perform His very own Word (Jeremiah 1:12).				

Dependency Upon God's Grace

For all the good that Adonai has promised to Israel and the Church, both are equally and totally dependent upon Adonai's grace, which can be appropriated by faith. We are saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8-9).

Eschatological Tests and Pressures Lie Ahead

We in the State of _____ acknowledge that tremendous tests and pressures lie ahead for both Israel and the Church, but those who faithfully endure will be privileged to share Adonai's Kingdom with Him throughout all eternity (James 1:12).

Acknowledging our Spiritual Inheritance

As authentic Christian believers, from gentile backgrounds, we owe our Spiritual inheritance to the God of Israel. One appropriate way to acknowledge our gratitude is to stand by Israel and to uphold them with fervent intercession, that their spiritual blindness may be healed, that they can see the true Messiah. We will bless Israel in word and deed so that all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Gen 12:3).

The Future of the Middle East

The people of the Middle East, Jew or Arab, will never know true justice and lasting peace until they are submitted to Adonai's loving rulership through a relationship with Messiah Yeshua. This is true for every nation, all mankind, every ethnic background, every individual person, and every people group of the earth (Isaiah 60).

Adonai's Plan of Salvation

As it is written, there is only one way to salvation and it is by placing faith in the atoning, vicarious, redemptive, work of the cross of Adonai's only son, the Lord Messiah Yeshua. Messiah is the only way, the only truth and the only life and no one comes to the Father except by believing in and being yielded to Yeshua as Lord (John 14:6).

SCRIPTURE DECLARATIONS

We in the (state) declare, affirm, acknowledge these scriptures over Israel and Adonai's People. (You may want to have 1 person read each scripture)

Deuteronomy 7:6-8 For you are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for His own possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. "The Lord did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any of the peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but because the Lord loved you and kept the oath which He swore to your forefathers, the Lord brought you out by a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

God says, This is still my heart towards you.

2 Samuel 7:23-24 And what one nation on the earth is like Your people Israel, whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people and to make a name for Himself, and to do a great thing for You and awesome things for Your land, before Your people whom You have redeemed for Yourself from Egypt, from nations and their gods? For You have established for Yourself Your people Israel as Your own people forever, and You, O Lord, have become their God.

God says, My redemption, in Yeshua is still available to you.

Psalm 105:8-15 He has remembered His covenant forever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations, The covenant which He made with Abraham, And His oath to Isaac. Then He confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as the portion of your inheritance." When they were only a few men in number, very few, and strangers in it, they wandered about from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another people. He permitted no man to oppress them, and He reproved kings for their sakes: "Do not touch My anointed ones, and do My prophets no harm".

God says, I remember all my covenants! I am Faithful.

Ezekiel 36:24-28 For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land. Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

God says, I will cleanse you.

Ezekiel 37:21-25. Say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I will take the sons of Israel from among the nations where they have gone, and I will gather them from every side and bring them into their own land; and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king will be king for all of them; and they will no longer be two nations and no longer be divided into two kingdoms. They will no longer defile themselves with their idols, or with their detestable things, or with any of their transgressions; but I will deliver them from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them. And they will be My people, and I will be their God. "My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd; and they will walk in My ordinances and keep My statutes and observe them. They will live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived; and they will be their prince forever.

God says, I will gather the scattered and unite the dispersed.

Hebrews 8:8-13 For finding fault with them, He says, "Behold, days are coming, says the Lord, when I will effect a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; not like the covenant which I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; for they did not continue in My covenant, and I did not care for them, says the Lord. "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws into their minds, and I will write them on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be My people. "And they shall not teach everyone his fellow citizen, and everyone his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for all will know Me, from the least to the greatest of them. "For I will be merciful to their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more." When He said, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. But whatever is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to disappear.

EVERYONE:	Israel, we in the state of	bless you in Yeshua's name!

AWAKEN THE CHURCH

Father, awaken and revive the church in _____county with a new hunger for the Lord, which compels us to fervent prayer, for as it is written, "My house shall be called a house of prayer" (Matthew 21:13). Help us to know how to bring "...righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Romans 14:17) to our communities and state.

We are God's people (1 Peter 2:9-10), endowed by Christ with favor and grace (Ephesians 2:5-9). We are admonished to speak words of blessing (Proverbs 18:21, Romans 12:14) and to exercise our faith according to the Word of God.

As it is written, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" (Psalm 133:1). As your people, we ask that the Church be unified under the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and we behold how good and how pleasant it is for us to be unified.

Show the church how to walk in unity and genuine love for the Lord, one another, and for the lost in all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing one another in love (Eph 4:2).

We ask for a unifying of the body of Christ in (<u>state</u>) just as Yeshua prayed in John 17: "that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that you sent Me." "I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me" (vs 21-23).

Lord, ignite the Church in (county or state) to walk in obedience, unifying in their efforts to preach the gospel to the lost (1 Corinthians 1:17-18), to make disciples (Matthew 28:19 Mark 16:15), to teach and empower the Body of Christ (Proverbs 6:23, Matthew 28:20), to speak the truth (Zechariah 8:16), to stand for righteousness (James 1:22), to serve the poor, to protect the vulnerable, and to care for widows and orphans (1 Timothy 5:3, James 1:27, Psalm 146:9).

BEHOLD OUR GOD

BACKGROUND INFO: (do not read this section)

BEHOLD has a similar meaning in Hebrew and Greek: "Lo" or "see." It is used as an imperative, which means something "necessary or urgent" and it "expresses a command or a plea". It encompasses a "call to attention, a moment of revelation and an invitation to action."

BEHOLD THE CREATOR

BEHOLD our Eternal God, for "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1). "Lord God! BEHOLD, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You" (Jeremiah 32:17). "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. For He hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods" (Psalm 24:1-2).

BEHOLD our Creator God. Creation speaks of His glory. "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork. Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard. Their voice has gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world" (Psalm 19:1-4).

BEHOLD, God on His throne. "The twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created" (Revelation 4:10-11).

BEHOLD THE SON

O' come, let us adore Him, the Son of God, this Christmas season. "Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for **BEHOLD**, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people" (Luke 2:10). "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: BEHOLD, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel." God with us! (Isaiah 7:14 & Matthew 1:22-23).

O' come let us adore Him. **BEHOLD**, the Son of God, born to take our transgressions on Himself, so that through Him, we can reach the Father. "And Abraham said, my son, God will provide HIMSELF a lamb for a burnt offering" (Genesis 22:8). "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him" (Isaiah 53:5) so that I might have eternal life with Him (John 3:16).

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We adore You, Yeshua, and we will make YOU the focus of the holiday. We will teach our children and grandchildren that Christmas is about Christ, not about presents, decorations and trees. We will change our own hearts and focus this year to **BEHOLD the** gift of the Son of God, who came to redeem us (Romans 6:23).

BEHOLD HIS INVITATION

BEHOLD the Father's love. "BEHOLD, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me" (Revelation 3:20). "No man can come to Me, except the Father which hath sent Me draw him" (John 6:44). "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Father, draw the lost in our families to You!

BEHOLD the Son's Love. "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10). "I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance" (Mark 2:17). "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15). "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep" (John 10:11). Thank You Jesus for laying down Your life for me!

BEHOLD, my Savior. "He inclined to me, and heard my cry. He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my steps. He has put a new song in my mouth. Praise to our God; many will see it and fear, and will trust in the Lord" (Psalm 40: 1-3). "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:9).

BEHOLD His joy. "Joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance" for "there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke 15:7, 10). Thank you Father, that You care for the lost sheep.

BEHOLD HIS CHARACTER

BEHOLD, "God is magnificent; You can never be praised enough. There are no boundaries to Your greatness. Generation after generation stands in awe of Your work; each one tells stories of Your mighty acts. Your beauty and splendor have everyone talking. I compose songs on Your wonders" (Psalm 145:3-5).

BEHOLD, our holy God. "I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple." Above the throne stood seraphim who cried to one another saying, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!"

(Isaiah 6:3). "The four living creatures, day and night they never cease to say, "holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" (Revelation 4:8).

BEHOLD He is worthy of our praise. "I will praise the Lord according to His righteousness, and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High" (Psalm7:17). "I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together" (Psalm 34:1-3).

BEHOLD the Lord, our strength. "I will love You, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised" (Psalm 18:1-3). "Be exalted, O Lord, in Your own strength! We will sing and praise Your power." (Psalm 21:13).

BEHOLD His Glory. "O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth, who have set Your glory above the heavens!" (Psalm 8:1). "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).). "Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, The Lord mighty in battle" (Psalm 24:8).

BEHOLD His Name. "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6). "I am the Lord, that is My name; I will not give My glory to another, nor My praise to graven images" (Isaiah 42:8). **BEHOLD the great I AM**. "God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM" (Exodus 3:14-15). "The Lord of Host is His name" (Jeremiah 31:35, 32:18, 51:19, 57; Amos 4:13).

BEHOLD the Alpha and Omega. "Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel, and His Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: 'I am the First and I am the Last; besides Me there is no God" Isaiah 44:6). "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty" (Revelation 1:8). "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts" (Rev. 21:6). "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last" (Rev. 22:13).

BEHOLD His Word. "I will worship toward Your holy temple, and praise Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name" (Psalm 138:2). "So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it" (Isaiah 55:11). "He sent His word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions" (Psalm 107:20).

BEHOLD HIS RETURN

BEHOLD He is coming. "BEHOLD, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him" (Revelation 1:7). "For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself" (Philippians 3:30-21).

BEHOLD the Bridegroom. Thank You, Jesus, that you will return for Your bride. "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; go out to meet Him! (Matt. 25:6). "I will betroth you to Me forever; yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and justice, in lovingkindness and mercy; I will betroth you to Me in faithfulness, and you shall know the Lord" (Hosea 2:19-20).

BEHOLD, old things pass away. "He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

BEHOLD His face. "For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known" (1 Corinthians 13:12).

Father, during this Christmas and Hanukkah season, we lift up Your name and thank You for the birth of Your Son, who is our redemption. We lay our lives before You this Christmas and our gift to You is a crucified life, sanctified unto You as Your children.

OPTIONAL: You may want to end with one of these songs:

We Shall behold Him https://youtu.be/eBvGzrnirT8

Behold Our God https://youtu.be/SSTH3SCQZlc

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus https://youtu.be/F2tKVqZZiI4

I Call Him Lord https://youtu.be/OFpuSTCwkOM

BLESS THE LORD

Abba, You have heard our prayers and had mercy on America. You have set our nation's king for this season and we thank You for righteous rule. God, there is none like You! We turn our eyes and our hearts to YOU rather than men! We turn our eyes and hearts to You rather than our government. For You are the answer to all life's questions. You are sovereign. It is within Your providence we live and walk out Your destiny over us.

We bless Your name over our families.

We bless Your name over our city and state.

We bless Your name over our government.

We bless Your name over our nation.

We bless Your name over all of creation.

For by YOU Lord, "all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in You all things consist" (Colossians 1:17). For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to Whom be glory forever" (Romans 11:33 -36). "

"Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty, who cover Yourself with light as with a garment, who stretch out the heavens like a curtain" (Psalm 104:1-2). For, "the heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows Your handiwork" (Psalm 19:1) to all of creation.

We bless Your name. "May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in His works. He looks on the earth, and it trembles; He touches the hills, and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. May my meditation be sweet to Him; I will be glad in the Lord" (Psalm 104:31-34).

There is None Like You

Lord, we bless Your name. Help us to know, that is there is no other God like You. "Remember the former things of old, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me. Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure" (Isaiah 46:9-10). "Inasmuch as there is none like You, O Lord, You are great, and Your name is great in might" (Jeremiah 10:6).

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

Father, let us not rest in our own thoughts for as it is written, "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55: 8-9).

Bless the Lord for His wisdom and knowledge. "Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has become His counselor? Or who has first given to Him and it shall be repaid to him?"

Bless Your name, O Lord, You have restrained Your anger from America. You have refined us for Your name's sake. "For My name's sake I will defer My anger, and for My praise I will restrain it from you, so that I do not cut you off. Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have tested you in the furnace of affliction. For My own sake, for My own sake, I will do it; for how should My name be profaned? And I will not give My glory to another" (Isaiah 48:9-11).

Father, You know all, but we see in part. "For now, we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known" (1 Corinthians 13:12). "We all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

Father, as we see in part, teach us to "walk by faith and not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7). Transform us by the renewing of our mind through scripture, that we "may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God" (Romans 12:2).

He is Worthy

"Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29).

We bless the name of Jesus, for "You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created" (Revelation 4:11). "All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it" (John 1:3-5).

For as it is written, "Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6). "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved"

(Acts 4:12). "For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus" (1 Timothy 2:5).

We bless Your name for You are worthy. "Knowing that we are not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" (1 Peter1:18-19). Therefore, we "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water" (Revelation 4:7).

"Do not weep. **Behold, the Lion** of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals. Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the **Lamb**, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying: **You are worthy** to take the scroll, and to open its seals: for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood, out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation" (Revelation 5:5, 8-10).

"Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice: **Worthy is the Lamb** who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing! And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: "**Blessing and honor and glory and power** be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the **Lamb**, forever and ever! Then the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever" (Revelation 5:11-14).

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
And all that is within me, bless His holy name!
The Lord has established His throne in heaven,
And His kingdom rules over all.
Bless the Lord, you His angels,
Who excel in strength, who do His word,
Heeding the voice of His word.
Bless the Lord, all you His hosts,
You ministers of His, who do His pleasure.
Bless the Lord, all His works,
In all places of His dominion.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Psalms 1:1, 19-22

CHURCHES and SYNAGOGUES

We humbly repent for the sins of the church and synagogues. We choose the Father's ways over our own agendas, to experience a real relationship with Yeshua.

Churches and Synagogues in the state of ______, wake up to the Father!

- Wake up to the revelation of God's plans for His kingdom on earth (Matt 6:10).
- Wake up and return to the Fear of Lord, rather than the fear of man (Psalm 128:1).
- Wake up and obey God rather than man (Acts 5:29).
- Wake up to the truth in God's Word as He esteems it above His name (Psalm 138:2).

We ask You, Father, that the churches and synagogues begin to hear the voice of the Lord and will walk in obedience to His voice (Deut 5:33, 1 Kings 2:3-4, 2 Chron. 7:17).

We pray that the churches and synagogues have revelation of who God is, His endless, abiding love, and who they are in Him. They will arise to walk in the TRUTH and in authority unapologetically "and the Lord will cause HIS voice of authority to be heard" (Isaiah 30:30).

We ask that You reveal yourself to the churches and synagogues! We proclaim that, we, the body of Christ, will be transformed "by the renewing of our minds" into powerful carriers of revival, catalysts for change and pioneers in reformation, thus demonstrating "the will of God which is good and acceptable" (Rom. 12:1-2).

We pray that Churches and Synagogues begin to impact and influence (State) in powerful ways as Yahweh has set us over nations and kingdoms (Jeremiah 1:10).

We pray the Churches and Synagogues will begin to hunger and thirst for the Word and the Spirit of God (Psalm 42:1-2, Psalm 119:105). That they will unite people (Mark 3:25) of fervent prayer (James 5:16) and fasting (Esther 4:16, Luke 5:35). That they will diligently seek to know God as we regularly read and follow His Word (John 14:23).

We pray that the Churches and Synagogues will be obedient, unifying in their efforts to preach the gospel to the lost (1 Corinthians 1:17-18), to make disciples (Matthew 28:19 Mark 16:15), to teach and empower the Body of Christ (Proverbs 6:23, Matthew 28:20), to speak the truth (Zechariah 8:16), to stand for righteousness (James 1:22), to serve the poor, to protect the vulnerable, and to care for widows and orphans (1 Timothy 5:3, James 1:27, Psalm 146:9).

COASTAL GATEWAYS

We "enter Your gates with thanksgiving, and Your courts with praise!" (Psalm 100:4). As Your We "enter Your gates with thanksgiving, and Your courts with praise!" (Psalm 100:4). As Your GATES and DOORS into the earth (Psalm 24:7) we lift up our heads and our voices to establish the King of glory at this harbor entrance.

We release this WORD from Psalm 29:1-4, as a witness between heaven and earth over (Harbor name):

Give unto the LORD, O you mighty ones,
Give unto the LORD glory and strength.
Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name;
Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
The God of glory thunders;
The LORD is over many waters.
The voice of the LORD is powerful;
The voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

We too stand at this GATE to establish an altar to Creator God; a place of entrance into the state for transacting Kingdom business (2 Chronicles 31:2). We acknowledge You as Jehovah, who will bring supply to our state and receive the work of Your creativity on the shores of Florida.

We proclaim the work of the blood of Jesus at (<u>harbor name</u>) and say no weapon formed against this harbor shall prosper (Isaiah 54:17). We ask that You be a wall of fire to this harbor and be the glory in her midst (Zech. 2:5) allowing only righteousness through this GATE.

We say to the GATES of (<u>Harbor name</u>), you will be bridges of mercy, truth, righteousness and peace (Psalm 85:10-11). "Truth shall spring out of the earth and righteousness shall go before us." Father, we ask for results to be tangibly experienced in this area. We deposit Psalm 85:9 at this GATE calling for those who come here to experience salvation and hear You Lord so that Your glory will reside in this land.

As it is written in Psalm 118:19, "This is the GATE of the LORD, through which the righteous shall enter." Therefore, we call forth the Church to occupy (Harbor name) with ongoing praise and worship declaring the Word and the glory of Your mighty presence.

We speak Isaiah 55:11 over (<u>Harbor name</u>), that Your words "that go forth from Your mouth shall not return to You void, but it shall accomplish what You please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which You sent it."

COVENANT to KINGDOM

BACKGROUND - do not read aloud

In 1607, the expedition led by Pastor Robert Hunt arrived in Virginia Beach. When they arrived in Virginia, the expedition dedicated our country to the glory of God. They planted in the sand a rough-hewn wooden cross made from the ship they traveled on, and prayed the covenant below on April 29, 1607. This covenant with our Lord gives us the legal authority to petition for God's mercy and protection. Before any permanent settlement, our nation was dedicated to God for all generations. We remember this covenant and we ask God to Heal and Bless our nation.

REPENTANCE

(Slightly revised from The Liberty Charter by Gary Beaton)

We the Church of the United States of America and citizens of (<u>state</u>), now fully contend for our county, state and nation on the basis that, as people made in the image of God, our original right to rule and have dominion in the earth was restored to us by the redemptive and covenantal act of Yeshua Messiah, in the shedding of His own blood.

It is that blood that we hereby apply to our appeal and it is in that blood that we ask for mercy and cleansing of our sins, that we as a nation might be forgiven.

We acknowledge according to Psalm 136 that Creator God never runs out of MERCY! We cry out to access that MERCY on behalf of our nation.

Yeshua, Your blood speaks eternally from the MERCY seat and therefore, we speak Deuteronomy 5:10, that "You show MERCY unto thousands of them that love You Lord and keep Your commandments." We ask You, Father, to set in motion Your MERCY into our land.

COVENANT

We acknowledge that the United States of America was founded on Christian principles and freedom of religion. Patrick Henry is quoted as saying, "It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ. For this very reason peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here."

The proclamation made in 1607 at Cape Henry, established a COVENANT between the settlers and Almighty God, which continues to exist and contains the purpose and destiny of the United States of America.

This covenant is to remain as long as the earth remains and so we declare that America Shall fulfill her destiny until the whole world and every people group has heard the Gospel of the Kingdom of the Lord Jesus.

We in the state of _____ do stand in agreement before heaven and earth with the covenant spoken at Cape Henry on April 27, 1607.

"We do hereby dedicate this Land, and ourselves, to reach the People within these shores with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to raise up Godly generations after us, and with these generations take the Kingdom of God to all the earth.

May this Covenant of Dedication remain to ALL generations, as long as this earth remains, and may this Land, along with England, be Evangelist to the World.

May all who see this Cross, remember what we have done here, and may those who come here to inhabit join us in this Covenant and in this most noble work that the Holy Scriptures may be fulfilled."

"All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before You. For the kingdom is the Lord's and He rules among the nations" (Psalm 22:27-28).

We also stand in agreement with the intent of the Mayflower Compact of 1620 that established a colony in Cape Cod "for the Glory of God, and advancements of the Christian faith."

We contend that God's original intent was to birth this nation in peace and to reach people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We proclaim the original intent is being restored to America.

Lord, we know you take covenant seriously and thus, we proclaim that this covenant allows us to petition You for mercy, protection and for righteous reign over our nation.

Likewise, as citizens of this nation and state of ______, we affirm our dependence on God. Furthermore, we bind ourselves and our government to stand with the State of Israel and demonstrate the One New Man for His kingdom on earth. We decree that what God has joined together; no man can separate (Matthew 19:6).

We the Church of (<u>State</u>) stand in agreement to the joint resolution passed on July 30, 1956, by the 84th Congress declaring 'IN GOD WE TRUST' (Psalm 91:2). We proclaim this declaration will be more than the national motto of the US, but rather, it will be demonstrated in all aspects of our society.

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

We place our trust in no man or institution, but instead, lay this seal of Isaiah 33:22 over the (state) and the nation: "For the Lord is our judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our King; He will save us." We proclaim, America shall be saved.

STATE COVENANT

We say to (city or county) in the state of ______

"Lift up your heads, O ye gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in" (Psalm 24:7).

We say the gates of (<u>city or county</u>) are open for the King of glory, to enter in and that we ask You, Father to dismantle the devices of the enemy.

We say to the gates of (<u>city or county</u>), you are bridges of mercy, truth, righteousness and peace according to Psalm 85:10-11. "Truth shall spring out of the earth and righteousness shall go before us" and shall sit at our gates. We will walk in the fear of the Lord and Your glory will dwell in (<u>city or county</u>) (Psalm 85:9).

KINGDOM

In the words of John Quincy Adams, "The hope of a Christian is inseparable from his faith. Whoever believes in the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures must hope that the religion of Jesus shall prevail throughout the earth."

Father, we know it is Your will that Your Son's name be spread throughout the earth. As it is written, we are seated with You in heavenly places (Eph. 2:6) and "All authority has been given to You in heaven and on earth" (Matthew 28:18).

We proclaim that we will walk in covenant with You, Yahweh, and will "walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:1-3).

Jesus, You brought Your kingdom to earth according to John 18:36 and "of the increase of His government and Kingdom, there shall be no end" (Isaiah 9:7 and Luke 1:33). We submit our (county or state) to You to be a holy habitation for the presence of the Spirit of the Lord and Your Kingdom.

We ask for Godly leadership to arise "to prepare the way of the Lord" (Isaiah 40:3) and for this leadership to bring kingdom transformation to (state).

Therefore,

- We pray that America's Executive Branch of Government will honor God and defend the Constitution (Proverbs 21:21).
- We pray that our Legislative Branch (Congress) will write only laws that are righteous and Constitutional (Proverbs 29:2).
- We pray that our Judicial System will issue rulings that are Biblical and Constitutional (Romans 13:1-2).
- We pray that we stand against the occult, witchcraft and every evil attempt against our nation "for no weapon formed against us shall prosper" (Isaiah 54:17).
- We pray that evil carries no power, authority, or rights in our land nor over our people and that the goodness of the Lord will prevail (Romans 12:21).

Father, we submit to the (county or state) to Your might, honor, glory and blessing.

EDUCATION

Education in (state) belongs to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit! Isaiah 2:3 declares that "Many people shall come and say, 'Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, and we shall walk in His paths…'"

As it is written in Isaiah 52:7, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who bring good news, who proclaims peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims salvation, who says to Zion, your God reigns!" Because education belongs to the Lord, we pray that all the educational institutions in (state) hear the good news of the gospel, have a peaceful environment, enjoy wholesomeness, and proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord.

We pray the	_ County School B	oard, every presch	ool, day care ce	enter, and
elementary school in thi	is county obeys the [,]	words of Jesus Chris	st in Matthew 19	:14: "Le
the little children come	to Me, and do no	t forbid them; for	of such is the ki	ngdom oj
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Word of God, is taught	in the Co	unty schools and wi	ill bring light & fr	eedom to
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a light unto our path" (F	⁹ salm 119:105).			

Parents are commanded to teach their children the Word of God: "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (Deuteronomy 6:6-7).

We pray parents will stand strong and protect their children by strongly protesting against schools using ungodly curriculum, providing obscene books, adopting demonically-inspired sexual preference and transgender policies, and promoting an anti-God worldview.

We pray that a Biblical worldview will be taught in our classrooms in _____ County. We pray that schools for all ages teach "whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and there is anything praiseworthy - meditate on these things" (Philippians 4:8).

Father, raise up godly young people and godly role models who will desire to become teachers and educators.

ELECTIONS



As it is written, "This is the generation of those who diligently seek Him and require Him as their greatest need, who seek Your face, even as did Jacob. Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, The Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O gates, and lift them up, ancient doors, That the King of Glory may come in. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory [Who rules over all creation with His heavenly armies" (Psalm 24:6-10).

FEAR OF THE LORD

READ BEFORE YOU BEGIN

There are two types of fear as a lower "fear of punishment" and a higher "fear of [divine awe] glory." Fear of God is not the same as being scared of God. It is a sense of reverential awe. It is a fear that allows us to see our place in the order of creation. In many ways, it is a reminder of our smallness. Our obedience is the outward evidence of the fear of the Lord. When we fear God, we will obey Him instantly. The fear of the Lord is a powerful spiritual principle that will set you free from the opinions and thoughts of others.

Fearing the Lord means to be in reverent awe of His holiness, to give Him complete reverence and to honor Him as the God of great glory, majesty, purity and power. <u>Elements of that fear</u>: wisdom, discipline, humility, obedience, and blessing.

Repentance

Abba Father, we the Church repent that we have become complacent and apathetic about the nature of who You are. We confess we have been wise in our own eyes and have not feared You and departed from evil (Proverbs 3:7).

For "Holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" (Isaiah 6:3). We will consecrate ourselves and be holy, as You are holy (Lev. 11:44). We will "cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God" (2 Corin. 7:1).

For You, God, have "not called us for impurity, but in holiness" (1 Thess. 4:7) we are to be set apart and blameless for Your kingdom. We repent and ask for You to cleanse us so we can ascend the hill of the Lord and stand in Your holy place with clean hands and pure hearts (Psalm 24:4).

We repent for not walking in the Fear of the Lord in our actions and with our minds. Please forgive us and cover these transgressions in Your blood.

Father, the **Fear of the Lord** starts by having respect for the majesty of Your Name, Your Nature, Your Commandments and Your Covenant to all generations.

We acknowledge that "it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God" (1 Peter 4:17). We ask You to bring cleansing to the Church in (state) and our nation. We welcome your hand to turn our hearts to You, like never in the history of our nation.

Your Name and Nature

"Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him! Oh, fear the LORD, you, His saints! There is no lack to those who fear Him" (Psalm 34: 8-9).

"The **fear of the Lord** is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding" (Prov. 9:10). We acknowledge Your nature is both mercy and judgment, grace and holiness.

Praise the LORD! I will praise the LORD with my whole heart,

In the assembly of the **upright** and in the congregation.

The works of the LORD are great, studied by all who have pleasure in them.

His work is **honorable and glorious**, and His **righteousness** endures forever.

He has made His wonderful works to be remembered;

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

He has given food to those who **fear Him**; He will ever be mindful of His **covenant**.

He has declared to His people the power of His works,

In giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of His hands are **truth and justice**; all His **precepts** are sure.

They stand fast forever and ever, and are done in **truth and uprightness**.

He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His **covenant** forever:

Holy and awesome is His name. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments.

His praise endures forever. (Psalm 111)

Commandments

"The **fear of the LORD** is to hate evil: pride, and arrogance, and the evil way" (Prov. 8:13). We repent on behalf of our nation for not hating evil and for stepping into the trap of the enemy called "tolerance." We have been arrogant in our worldview and have followed the way of the "PRIDE" movement, which does not represent Your intent for men and women.

We have allowed life to be snuffed out before it began, in the name of "women's rights." We have ignored your commandments and while we deserve judgment, we boldly ask for mercy.

We show our love for You by following Your Word and Your commandments. *Teach me Your way, O LORD, that I may walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name* (Psalm 86:11). 1 Samuel 12:14 tells us that "If you will fear the Lord and serve Him and obey His voice and not rebel against the commandment of the Lord, and if both you and the king who reigns over you will follow the Lord your God, it will be well."

Living Holy

As it is written, we will "prepare our minds for action, and being sober-minded, set our hope fully on the grace that will be brought to You at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As **obedient children**, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as He who called you is holy, you also **be holy in all your conduct**, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." (1 Peter 1:13-16)

We shall "abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, having conduct that is honorable" because we are a "chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people" and we will praise Him "who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light" (2 Peter 9-12).

Wisdom, Humility and Honor

We the Church in <u>(state)</u> "shall love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our might" and we shall exhibit the **fear of the Lord** (Deut. 6:5). "The friendship of the Lord is for those who **fear Him**, and He makes known to them His covenant (Psalm 25:14).

"The **fear of the LORD** is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor" (Prov 15:33). Therefore, we submit ourselves to You and "we humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time, You may exalt us" (1 Peter 5: 6-7).

"The reward for **humility and fear of the Lord** is riches and honor and life" and we declare this over Israel and America (Prov. 22:4).

The Generations

Lord, teach America to **fear You from generation to generation** so Your mercy will be upon us (Luke 1:50). "Whoever fears the Lord has a secure fortress, and for their children it will be a refuge" (Prov. 14:26). The **fear and reverence** in who You are will be a fountain of life for America and will turn us away from the snares of the enemy (Prov. 14:27). For "In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence" (Prov. 14:26).

Father, we call on Your covenant with Israel and ask that the offspring of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob return to the God of their fathers and walk in the Fear of Lord. "How blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in His ways" (Psalm 128:1).

"You, O LORD, shall endure forever, and the remembrance of Your name to all generations. So, **the nations SHALL FEAR the name of the LORD** and all the kings of the earth Your glory" (Psalm 102: 12, 15). We speak this now, over the state of ______, America and Israel.

FIRE of GOD

"Is not my word like a fire, sayeth the Lord, and like a hammer that shatters rock!" (Jeremiah 23:29). We proclaim Your Word over the State of

Fire of God's Love

We proclaim Your love for Your people in <u>(state)</u> is greater and deeper and that we cannot be separated from Your love according to Romans 8. Your love endured the cross and conquered death and hell.

We ask that the fire on the altars of our hearts will never go out (Leviticus 6:13) as we gaze at Your beauty and behold Your greatness. As we pray, You set our hearts on fire and take up residency in us. Your fiery love consumes everything that hinders our love and we are baptized in Your Holy Fire (Matthew 3:11). You make us burning ones for Your Kingdom glory!

Fire that Purifies

Lord, send the fire of Your Presence to purify us and to remove sin from us according to Psalm 66:10. According to Your word, we say that Your people, those called by Your name, in (state) will submit themselves to the cleansing work of Your Holy Spirit fire in our lives.

We present ourselves as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable unto You (Romans 12:1). We confess our sin and proclaim that You will cleanse us from all unrighteousness and that we will be clean (1 John 1:9). You will purify our hearts and lead us in the way of holiness.

Fire of God's Power and Judgment

"For our God is a consuming fire" and that according to Psalm 97:3, "fire goes before You, Lord, and burns up Your enemies all around" (Hebrews 12:29).

As it is written in Daniel 7:22, "the Ancient of Days came and judgment was passed in favor of the saints of the Highest One, and the time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom." The state of _____ belongs to You, Lord, and we exalt You with the high praises of God in our mouths, and the two-edged sword of God's word is in our hands.

Fire of God's Presence

Lord, Your Presence was in the burning bush and over the children of Israel in the cloud by day and the fire by night. You were the smoking oven and a flaming torch (Genesis 15:17). Father, ignite us as embers of Your fire and our hearts will burn within us as we walk with You (Luke 24:32). We ask that the fire of your presence and glory burn fiercely in America.

It is the fire of Your Presence that changes us, Lord. It is Your Presence that impels us to pray boldly for the State of _____. We ask that You make Your word like a fire shut up in our bones (Jeremiah 20:9) and that we release Your Word knowing that Your Word will not return to You empty, without succeeding in the matter for which You sent it (Isaiah 55:11).

FREEDOM IN CHRIST

Jesus Came to Set Us Free

Father, we thank You, that You sent Your Son to set us FREE. Jesus speaking of Himself and citing Isaiah 61 said, "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed [consecrated] Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim LIBERTY to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at LIBERTY those who are oppressed; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD" (Luke 4:18-19)

As it is written "whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. Therefore, if the Son makes you FREE, you shall be FREE indeed" (John 8:34-35, 36)

"But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life" (Romans 6:22). "For he who is called in the Lord while a slave is the Lord's FREEDMAN. Likewise he who is called while FREE is Christ's slave" (1 Corinthians 7:22).

"Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. For he who has died has been FREED from sin" (Romans 6:6-7).

"There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me FREE from the law of sin and death" (Romans 8:1-2). "And having been set FREE from sin, you became slaves of righteousness" (Romans 6:18). For "The Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is LIBERTY" (2 Corinthians 3:17).

Called to Live in Freedom

Father, we ask that You teach us wisdom in how to walk and live "as FREE, yet not using LIBERTY as a cloak for wickedness, but as bondservants of God" (1 Peter 2:16). "For FREEDOM Christ has set us FREE," so strengthen us to "stand firm so we do not submit again to a yoke of slavery" and sin (Galatians 5:1).

"For you were called to FREEDOM, brothers. Only do not use your FREEDOM as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13).

"But beware lest somehow this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak" "And because of your knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died? But when you thus sin against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ" 1 Corinthians 8:9, 11-12).

Keep sin far from us and let us understand our LIBERTY is not to be a stumbling block to others. We are to consider others, just as Paul did, and live above reproach (1 Timothy 5:7). "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself" (Philippians 2:3) and to keep a godly testimony to those around us. For if our FREEDOM causes a brother or sister to stumble, we sin against Christ.

Freedom in His Precepts

Father, "I shall keep Your law continually, forever and ever. And I will walk at LIBERTY, for I seek Your precepts" (Psalm 119:44-45).

For "he who looks into the perfect law of LIBERTY and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does" James 1:25

Thank You, Lord, for the law that was a mirror to show us our sin. "The law was our guardian to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith" to walk as sons" (Galatians 3:24, 26). For by grace are we saved through faith (Ephesians 2:8).

Lord teach us to walk according to Your precepts. "If you really fulfill the royal law" of our king "according to the Scripture, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself,' you do well; but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors. So speak, and so do as those who will be judged by the law of FREEDOM" (James 2:8-9, 12).

Glorified With Him

Thank You, Father, that You made us sons and joint heirs with Christ, FREED from bondage.

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together" (Romans 8:14-17).

Father, we look forward to the day we will see you face-to-face and the cloak of sin will be forever lifted. We praise Your holy name for calling us sons.

GATES

*You will need a stones and anointing oil

Lord, we proclaim today that we will guard our own **GATES** according to Proverbs 4.

I will ²³Guard own heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life. (soul-gate) I will ²⁴Put away a deceitful mouth, And put perverse lips far from me. (mouth-gate) I will ²⁵ Let my eyes look straight ahead, And my eyelids look right before me. (eye-gate) I will ²⁶ Ponder the path of my feet, And let all my ways be established. (Feet-gate) I will not ²⁷ turn to the right or the left; I will remove my foot from evil.

The entrance (doorway) of Your Word gives light (Psalm 119:130) and Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path (Psalm 119:105).

The Lord's glory entered the house through the GATE facing EAST" (Ezekiel 43:4). So today, we on the **Eastern GATE of the U.S.** come in Jesus' name and stand in unity of spirit and in agreement with Your Word. We come boldly to your throne of grace to obtain mercy and find grace for (city or county)(Hebrews 4:16).

We say to (city or county) Psalm 24:7-9

Lift up your heads, O ye **gates**! And be lifted up, you everlasting **doors**! And the King of **glory** shall come in. Who is this King of **glory**? The LORD strong and mighty, The LORD mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye **gates**! Lift up, you everlasting **doors**! And the King of **glory** shall come in.

We pray through the blood of Jesus, that every weapon of the enemy sent to prevent salvation from entering into the hearts of the inhabitants at this **GATE**, be removed like the lifting of a veil of darkness, by Your mighty hand. We ask that this **GATE** be repaired by Your Spirit, not by our might or power (Zechariah 4:6), in preparation for Your glory to pour in through this **GATE**.

We pray that the **GATES** of (<u>city or county</u>) will become bridges of mercy, truth, righteousness and peace according to Psalm 85: 10-11. We ask that "truth shall spring out of the earth and righteousness shall go before us" and shall sit at our **GATES**. We will walk in the fear of the Lord and Your glory will dwell in (<u>city or county</u>) (Psalm 85:9).

As Jacob vowed at Bethel, we declare and make effective the words of Genesis 28:17 that there is none other than the house of God and this land, is the GATE for heaven's Kingdom purposes. We come in agreement that the **GATES** of (city or county) are open for the King of glory to enter.

With these **stones** and **oil poured upon it**, we set up an altar as a memorial and remembrance of this declaration on this day (Gen.28:18-22).

GENERATIONAL HONOR

Your covenants extend from one generation to another. "The LORD our God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments" (Deuteronomy 7:9).

We in (county or state) come into alignment with what You say about the generations, for Your "steadfast love endures forever, and Your faithfulness to all generations" (Psalm 100:5) and Your "mercy is for those who fear God from generation to generation" (Luke 1:50).

"One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts" (Psalm 145:4). Those with many days on this earth will give testimony to the young of Your strength and wonderful works, "that the generation to come might know them, the children who would be born, that they may arise and declare them to their children, that they may set their hope in God" (Psalm 78:6-7).

We repent for the times we have not shown honor to all generations. We repent for the comments spoken out about the mature generation's ideals or actions and for the attitudes we have held about the younger generation.

The senior generation "will fear the Lord and delight in His commandments so that our descendants will be mighty on earth and the generation of the upright will be blessed" (Psalm 112:1-2).

We acknowledge there is a disconnect between the young and old. We acknowledge our culture has been challenged in the area of respect, and pray for a returning to the instruction of Leviticus 19:32 for honor to be shown to the old in the fear of the LORD.

"Children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth" (Psalms 127:3-4). We in (county or state) bless the Lord for entrusting them to us and honor them by walking in the fear of the Lord.

We pray the youth in (county or state) will have an understanding that honoring those who came before them will allow them to learn from both the experience and wisdom.

As it is written, "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations. Ask your father, and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you" (Deuteronomy 32:7).

For when you heed the way of wisdom and the right paths you were shown, "your steps will not be hindered, and when you run, you will not stumble" (Proverbs 4: 11-12).

We will honor both past and present generations. We receive Your Word in Psalm 78:

Give ear, O my people, to my law;

incline your ears to the words of My mouth,

.... which we have heard and known,

And our fathers have told us.

We will not hide them from their children,

but tell them to the generation to come the praises of the LORD,

and His strength and His wonderful works that He has done.

For He established a testimony in Jacob,

and appointed a law in Israel,

which He commanded our fathers,

that they should make them known to their children;

that the generation to come might know them,

the children who would be born,

that they may arise and declare them to their children.

That they may set their HOPE in God,

and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandment.

Psalm 78:1, 3-7

GOD of the HARVEST

"Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence. As fire burns brushwood, as fire causes water to boil, to make Your name known to Your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Your presence! When You did awesome things for which we did not look, You came down, the mountains shook at Your presence. For since the beginning of the world men have not heard nor perceived by the ear, nor has the eye seen any God besides You, who acts for the one who waits for Him. You meet him who rejoices and does righteousness, who remembers You in Your ways. You are indeed angry, for we have sinned. In these ways we continue; and we need to be saved" (Isaiah 64:1-5).

Creator God, we stand before You today on the soil of _____ county to proclaim Your Word into the atmosphere over the State of _____. Carry Your Word like seeds that will blanket the air and be the clarion call for reaping.

We cry out Isaiah 64:1 that You would tear open the heavens and come down and shake all that needs shaken, consume with fire all that needs consumed and have our state to tremble at your presence. We express our desire to cooperate with Holy Spirit for all matters of harvest as our (county) needs to be saved.

As it is written in Romans 10:15, the feet of those of the who carry the gospel of peace will bring glad tidings and good things as they are set apart. In faith and according to Matthew 9: 37-38 we pray that workers will be sent into His fields that are ripe with harvest.

Therefore, we come into agreement with His Word and call forth the evangelists and teachers to be set apart to gather and stabilize the souls of men in _____ county.

We pray that as these harvesters and reapers go forth, that the Church will be prepared to welcome the harvest by returning to the Acts 2 community; being in one accord, in fear of the Lord, breaking bread together on a daily basis.

Jesus, You were "lifted up from the earth" and You tell us that You "will draw all peoples to Yourself" (John 12:32). Lord, prepare us for the harvest of those You are drawing to Yourself. "Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!" (John 4:35).

You "are not slack concerning Your promises and You are to not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" in the state of _____ & America (2 Peter 3:9).

Godly Women

Father, You created woman in Your own image with inherent dignity and value. You created woman from the side of man; a beautiful picture of partnership (Genesis 2:21-23). "So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them" (Genesis 1:27).

We pray for women to live godly lives, setting an example for their children, friends and all those they encounter. We thank You, Father, for examples in scripture of women who loved and honored You.

We want to be a faithful follower as was Mary Magdalene, whom You spoke of in all four of the gospels (Matthew 27 & 28, John 19 & 20, Luke 8 & 24, Mark 15 & 16).

Lord, may we anoint You with the precious ointment of our lives as did Mary of Bethany when she pour costly oil on Jesus head (Matthew 26:6-13).

Lord, give us courage like Rahab when she hid the spies, thinking not of her own life (Joshua 6:25). May our lives exemplify faith like she did, being mentioned in the Hall of Faith in Hebrews 11 (vs. 31). We pray for the courage and faith of Esther, who saved her people from destruction (Esther 4:14-16).

We pray that we will fulfil the role You have for us as described in Titus 2.

"But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled" (vs. 3-5).

We pray, those who are married, will fulfil the role of wives to set an example for our daughters and other young women.

"Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Let the wife see that she respects her husband" (Ephesians 5:22).

Mothers

Father, you had much to say about fathers and mothers. "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12).

Likewise, "whoever curses his father or his mother, his lamp will be put out in deep darkness" (Proverbs 20:20).

You tell us to "forsake not our mother's teaching" (Proverbs 1:8b).

Thank You for the examples You have shown us in scripture of the impact of motherhood:

Moses mother (Jochebed) made a great sacrifice to save him and allowed him to be raised by someone else. (Exodus 1-2).

Sarah bore the son of promise in her old age (Genesis 21), demonstrating that all things are possible with You (Mark 19:23).

Rebekah bore Jacob and Esau and was told, "Two nations are in your womb" (Genesis 25).

Deborah, a prophetess and judge, led Israel to military victory and provided guidance to the nation. "The highways were deserted, and the travelers walked along the byways. Village life ceased, until <u>I, Deborah, arose, a mother</u> in Israel" (Judges 5:6-7).

Leah and Rachel's sons became the 12 tribes of Israel (Genesis 30).

Ruth and Boaz had a child, Obed, the father of Jesse, the father of David who would be king (Ruth 4:13-17).

Hannah bore Samuel who lived a life dedicated to the Lord, and would go on to lead the people of Israel, anointing Israel's first and second kings: Saul and David (1 Samuel 1).

Elizabeth was married to a priest named Zechariah. She bore John the Baptist who would be the forerunner for Jesus (Luke 1).

Mary, found favor in the site of the Lord and bore Jesus, our savior.

"He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end" (Luke 1:31).

A Virtuous Woman – Proverbs 31

Who can find a virtuous woman? For her worth is far above rubies.

The heart of her husband safely trusts her; So he will have no lack of gain.

She does him good and not evil all the days of her life.

She seeks wool and flax, and willingly works with her hands.

She is like the merchant ships, she brings her food from afar.

She also rises while it is yet night, and provides food for her household, and a portion for her maidservants.

She considers a field and buys it; from her profits she plants a vineyard.

She girds herself with strength, and strengthens her arms.

She perceives that her merchandise is good, and her lamp does not go out by night.

She stretches out her hands to the distaff, and her hand holds the spindle.

She extends her hand to the poor, yes, she reaches out her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household is clothed with scarlet.

She makes tapestry for herself; her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land.

She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies sashes for the merchants.

Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come.

She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness.

She watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.

Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:

"Many daughters have done well, but you excel them all."

Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Abba, Father, we thank You for our mothers in the flesh and in the spirit.

God's Design for Mankind

LIFE: Saving the Unborn

By God's design, LIFE begins at conception and the unborn must be preserved and protected.

As it is written, "For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them" (Psalm 139:13-16).

Father, we cry out for the unborn. We ask that You intervene in our state and nation, so that NO child will pass through the fire on an altar of a false god, nor profane the name of Yahweh, for He is Lord (Leviticus 18:21). Father, we petition You for Holy Spirit to bring understanding to as to when life begins, so abortions will not be conducted up to the birth of a child.

We petition You on behalf of the unborn to "Execute judgment and righteousness, and deliver the plundered out of the hand of the oppressor. Do no wrong and do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, or the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place" (Jeremiah 22:3) or anywhere in the state of _____.

"Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in His own image" (Genesis 9:6). Father, have mercy on those who have taken a life and "deliver those drawn toward death and hold back those stumbling toward the slaughter" (Proverbs 24: 11). Let those who are distraught find peace in You rather than attempting to escape from their lives or situations. Lord, give them hope as You can "heal the brokenhearted and bind up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3).

Bring understanding to the hearts and minds of parents in our state, so they will stand up and demand that all abortion clinics in <u>(state)</u> be shut down. Let them cry out and say NO to the culture of death.

You have the final word, Father. "For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom is from generation to generation. All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand or say to Him, "What have You done?" (Daniel 4:34-35).

We pray that the Church will walk in righteousness with clean hands and a pure heart, so the Spirit of God can move in (<u>state</u>) and that demand for abortions will completely dry up. We pray You, Father, raise up families to foster and adopt the babies that will need loving homes.

INDENTITY: Male and Female

"God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female, He created them" (Genesis 1:27).

"Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (Isaiah 5:20). We stand with Heaven in disagreement with all voices of perversion and darkness that seek to release a false narrative into this nation and over our children and communities for "the face of the Lord is against those who do evil" (1 Peter 3:12b).

Pull back the veil and reveal to them that "gender affirming" is not affirming, but destroying the very soul of the person created in God's image. We call those who seek to speak confusion over our children to come out of darkness into the light.

We ask You, Jesus to encounter them with your presence. Bring the blind by a way they do not know and lead them in paths of righteousness. Make darkness light before them! "The entrance of Your Words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple" (Psalm 119:130).

As it is written, "Your mercy endures forever" (Psalm 136). We petition You for mercy over their souls and ask that they encounter the One True God. We ask for their blind eyes to be opened and the veil to be removed, so they see male and female as You created them Father (2 Kings 6:17).

We pray that the Church will walk in love and compassion so that they will be drawn by the goodness of God to repentance (Romans 2:4), resulting in the demand for sex altering surgeries to dry up completely.

HAIL, HAIL, LION OF JUDAH

Hail, Hail, Lion of Judah, for You are holy, enthroned in the praises of Israel!

"Judah is like a lion, killing his victim and returning to his den, stretching out and lying down. No one dares disturb him" (Gen 49:9). "As a lion or a young lion growls over his prey, and when a band of shepherds is called out against him, he is not terrified by their shouting or daunted at their noise, so the LORD of Hosts will come down to fight on Mount Zion and on its hill" (Isaiah 31:4).

We PRAISE You Lord that You protect Your covenant relationship with Israel. "Jehovah shall be seen over them; and His arrow shall go forth as the lightning; and the Lord Jehovah will blow the trumpet, and will go with whirlwinds of the south. For how great is His goodness, and how great is His beauty!" (Zechariah 9:14, 17).

This day, in the state of ______, we speak blessings and peace over Israel. You have said, "Whoever blesses Israel will be blessed, and whoever curses Israel will be cursed" (Num. 24:9), so we ask for blessings on our state and nation in the places that stand for Israel. We stand here today with our feet on ground and we declare alignment with Israel shall be seen in _____ county.

We REPENT on behalf of those in our county that are not in alignment with Your covenant with Israel. We petition You for mercy on the college campuses, churches, governmental structures, businesses and media that are not standing in right relationship with the apple of Your eye. Pull back the veil and save those who are blinded.

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob "trusted in You; they trusted, and You delivered them. They cried to You, and were delivered; They trusted in You, and were not ashamed" (Psalm 22:3-4). We trust You, Lord, to deliver Israel from the hand of the oppressors.

Hail, Hail, Lion of Judah as You are sovereign!

We say, let the state of _____ "praise the name of the Lord, For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven" (Psalm 148:13).

Jesus, You are Sovereign and "I know that You can do all things, and that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted" (Job 42:2). You have told us that Your counsel shall stand, and that You WILL accomplish all Your purpose (Isaiah 46:9-10).

"For Your dominion is an everlasting dominion, and Your kingdom is from generation to generation. All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; You do according to Your will in the army of Heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain Your hand" (Daniel 4:34-35).

We thank you Father that, "In You we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to Your purpose, working all things according to the counsel of Your will" (Ephesians 1:11).

"You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. In Your hand are power and might, so that none is able to withstand You" (2 Chronicles 20:6). Nothing can be done by a nation that You, Lord, do not use for Your purpose.

The hearts of all rulers, kings, and presidents are in Your hand. "The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the Lord; You turn it wherever You will" (Proverbs 21:1). No power on earth can supersede Your sovereignty.

Hail, Hail, Lion of Judah as You are in control!

All of nature responds to Jesus. "What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey Him?" So, the winds and sea, they do His bidding" (Matthew 8:27). A sparrow cannot "fall to the ground apart from You" (Matthew 10:29).

There is nothing random in Your kingdom. "The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the Lord" (Prov. 16:33). So, something as random as rolling dice or casting a lot is in Your control. Nothing happens outside of Your knowledge and permission.

We acknowledge that you have a plan for the state of _____ and America. "Lord, You, bring the counsel of the nations to nothing; You frustrate the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the Lord stands forever. The plans of Your heart to all generations" (Psalm 33:10-11). We thank You for Your plans for our children and grandchildren to walk in Your counsel.

"Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand" (Proverbs 19:21). Father, show us Your ways that we may walk therein. "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are Your judgments and how inscrutable Your ways" (Romans 11:33).

Hail, Hail, Lion of Judah as You are Worthy of All Honor and Praise!

"Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name!" (Psalm 103:1). "I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify Your name forever" (Psalm 86:12). We "give thanks to You, Lord, for You are good! For Your mercy endures forever" (Psalm 136:1).

I will extol You, my God, O King; and I will bless Your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts. I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works. Men shall speak of the might of Your awesome acts, and I will declare Your greatness. They shall utter the memory of Your great goodness, and shall sing of Your righteousness (Psalm 145:1-7).

Hail, Hail, Lion of Judah for You are Worthy to Open the Book

Our Messiah, flesh and bone, You alone are worthy to open up the scroll.

Like a lamb You suffered, but the LION HAS AROSE! (lyrics Elevation Worship)

We PRAISE You Jesus, our Lion of Judah and lamb of God.

As it is written:

"Stop weeping; behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome so as to open the book and its seven seals. And behold, in the midst of the throne stood a Lamb as though it had been slain. Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne." The angels and elders spoke, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!" "And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: "Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!" (Revelation 5: 5-10)

HIS MERCY ENDURES

READ Psalm 136

We stand to declare You as our *Judge*, our *Lawgiver* and our *King* (Isaiah 33:22). We further proclaim Your Word; "MERCY triumphs over Judgment" (James 2:13). Therefore, (state) will come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain MERCY and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16).

As it is written in Psalm 136, the Creator God never runs out of MERCY! We cry out to access that MERCY on behalf of the families in this county.

We stand before You Father, remembering David's heart who asked You to "blot out his transgressions according to Your lovingkindness and according to the multitude of Your tender MERCIES" (Psalm 51:1). We position our hearts in the same manner knowing that "the eye of the LORD is upon those that fear Him, upon them that hope in His MERCY" (Psalm 33:18). Today, our hearts stand with this Word over (county or state) asking for Your MERCY covering.

We understand that we are a people in need of repentant hearts over transgressions against Your Word, so we come humbly to You submitting our hearts to avoid calamity and we proclaim, "Thou, O Lord, art good and ready to forgive; and plenteous in MERCY unto all them who call upon Thee" (Psalm 86:5).

"You are a shield to all those who put their trust in You" (Proverbs 30:5) and therefore, we stand armed with this Word and declare You are our shield because we put our trust in You. Thank You for Your shield covering over us.

We honor Your position as Creator God by declaring Psalm 59, "Unto Thee, O my strength, will I sing; for my God is our defense and the God of our MERCY." We will sing of Thy power; yea, we will sing aloud of thy MERCY in the morning; for You are ______County's defense and refuge in the day of trouble" (vs 16-17).

As it is written, that "You show MERCY unto thousands of them that love You Lord and keep Your commandments" (Deut. 5:10) _____ County loves You Lord and we love Your Word!

As it is written in Matt. 18:19, that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven." Therefore, we ask You today for Your goodness and MERCY to bring fair weather that will bless the land and all living.

Jesus, Your blood speaks eternally from the MERCY seat and we receive that MERCY over our (county or state).

Honor Fathers

As it is written, "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12). Father, we thank You that men have inherent value as Your creation. "God created man in His own image; in the image of God, He created him; male and female He created them" (Genesis 1:27).

God's Design For Family

We ask for a return to God's design of man and woman; becoming one flesh, just as they were in creation. Eve was bone of Adam's bone and flesh of his flesh (Genesis 2:23-24). We thank You, Father, that marriage was established in the garden of Eden between one man and one woman.

Father, hear our prayer for a return to Your original intent of covenant marriage with husbands taking on the role You intended. "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. So, husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. Let each one of you love his wife as himself" (Ephesians 5:25-29, 33).

Holy Spirit, lead the men in (STATE) to be blameless, faithful to their wives, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable and eager to share the gospel, not given to much wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but are gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous, and that they will lead their homes in righteousness according to 1 Timothy 3.

Father, draw men to You so they will long and thirst after You, and will rise up early each day to seek You (Psalm 63:1). Father, insight men to intercede for their families, the government, and the land You have given them. We pray men are "strong and of good courage" (Joshua 1:9) for You are with them wherever they go.

Instruct Their Children

Abba, "turn the hearts of fathers to the children and the hearts of the children to their fathers" (Malachi 4:6). We pray fathers will lead their children to become men and women who honor God and others, who follow after Jesus faithfully, and who are led by the Holy Spirit. We call forth those fathers to now take their positions for the children of (state); even the fatherless. As it is written in Proverbs 17:6 "that children are a crown" to their fathers.

We pray fathers build a legacy of generations of faithful followers of the Words of God, "that the generation to come might know the Word, the children who would be born, that they may arise and declare the Word to their children, that they may set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments" (Psalm 78:6-7).

We ask You, Father, to equip the men in (state) to be fathers that give wise instructions in love, discipline, wisdom and compassion. Teach them to "speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine. Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled. Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us" (Titus 2:1-2, 6-8)

We pray that fathers teach and model humility before their families. "Likewise, you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble" (Luke 14:11).

Father, open the hearts of the children and youth to hear the instruction of their fathers. For as it is written, "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations. Ask your father, and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you" (Deuteronomy 32:7).

"Hear, my son, your father's instruction" (Proverbs 1:8a), "hear instruction and be wise" (Proverbs 8:33) "...that you may be wise in your latter days" (Proverbs 19:20b). For "A wise son makes a glad father" (Proverbs 15:20a).

For when children heed the way of wisdom, the right paths are shown to them so that their "... steps will not be hindered, and when they run, they will not stumble" (Proverbs 4: 11-12). "Discipline your son, and he will give you rest; he will give delight to your heart" (Proverbs 29:17).

Generation to Generation

We pray fathers in (state) walk in covenant from generation to generation. "The LORD our God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments" (Deuteronomy 7:9). For His "mercy is for those who fear God from generation to generation" (Luke 1:50).

We pray that fathers walk in the fear of the Lord. "Whoever fears the Lord has a secure fortress, and for their children it will be a refuge" (Proverbs 14:26). The "fear of the Lord is a fountain of life" for the family (Proverbs 14:27). For "In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence" (Proverbs 14:26) and His "steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations" (Psalm 100:5).

We pray that men and fathers will rise up and take their position as models of honor, bravery, steadfastness and righteousness to their families. We pray that fathers will give testimony to the youth of God's strength and wonderful works. "One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts" (Psalm 145:4).

Today, we honor fathers and pray they honor You.

IF MY PEOPLE

BACKGROUND: There are three passages in the Old Testament where God's people repented: tearing their clothes, putting on sackcloth and ashes and crying out to the Lord (Joel 2:1-14; Jonah 3:6-10; Esther 4:1-14). READ these passages a day or so before you go out to do the declarations. Let God speak to your heart concerning repentance and fasting.

Notice toward the end of each story of repentance there is a similar phrase:

- Joel 2:14 "who knows if He will turn and relent and leave a blessing behind Him."
- Jonah 3:9 "who can tell if God will turn and relent and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish."
- Esther 4:14 "Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this."

When there is TRUE, heartfelt **repentance** (changing of our minds) and a **turning away** from sin and a turning unto the Lord, then, "who knows", we may we see God changing His mind and healing our nation. In other words, if we change our minds (repent), the Lord may change His mind (relent) and heal of our nation.

2 Chronicles 7:14 - 16

"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to prayer made in this place. For now I have chosen and sanctified this house, that My name may be there forever; and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually."

IF MY PEOPLE CALLED BY MY NAME

Father, "what manner of love have You bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!" (1 John 3:1). You "called us out of darkness into Your marvelous light" (1 Peter 3:9).

Father, "it pleased You, to separate me from my mother's womb and call me through Your grace, to reveal Your Son in me" (Galatians 1:15). You chose us, in Your Son, "before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame" (Ephesians 1:4).

We are called by Your name "to walk worthy of the calling with which we were called" (Eph. 4:1). You have "saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to Your own purpose" (1 Timothy 1:9). Father, You "who called us are holy, therefore, we are to be holy in all our conduct" (1 Peter 1:15).

WILL HUMBLE OURSELVES

Father, You instruct us to "Humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God" (James 5:6) and that we are "not to think of ourselves more highly than we ought to think" (Romans 12:3). "You resist the proud, but give grace to the humble" (James 4:6).

Daily I will humbly "submit to You. I will resist the enemy and he will flee. I will draw near to You and You will draw near to me. I will cleanse my sinful hands, and purify my double-minded heart. I will lament and mourn and weep! My laughter is turned to mourning and my joy to gloom. I humble myself in Your sight and You will lift me up" (James 4:6-10).

You "save the humble (Psalm 18:27; Job 22:29b), teach them Your ways, and guide them in justice" (Psalm 25:9). I will "let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind, I will esteem others better than myself (Phil 2:3). We will walk in "submission to one another, and be clothed with humility" (1 Peter 5:5). For, Lord, You "lift up and "give grace to the humble" (Psalm 147:6; James 4:6,10).

PRAY and SEEK HIS FACE

Adonai, according to Your Word, I am to "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5: 17) and to be "continuing steadfastly in prayer" (Romans 12:12; Colossians 4:2). I will "Seek the Lord and His strength; Seek His face evermore!" (Psalm 105:4). Let me declare, "Glory in Your holy name; Let my heart rejoice and seek You Lord!" Let me "seek You Lord and Your strength; seek Your face evermore!" (1 Chronicles 16:10-11).

When You said, 'Seek My face', My heart said to You, 'Your face, Lord, I will seek' (Psalm 27:8). I will "Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near" (Isaiah 55:6). "I set my face to the Lord God, to seek by prayer and petitions, with fasting and sackcloth and ashes" (Daniel 9:3).

"O God, You are my God; early will I seek You; My soul thirsts for You; My flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water" (Psalm 63:1). "As the deer pants for the water brooks, so pants my soul for You, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God" (Psalm 42:1-2).

Father, You have said, "You will seek Me and find Me, when you seek Me with all your heart" (Jeremiah 29:13) and with all your soul (Deuteronomy 4:29). Give me a heart that will increasingly seek after You with every beat and draw my soul to a place where I will desire You more than food or water. I will "watch and pray that I might not enter into temptation" (Matthew 26:4).

Let us "blow the trumpet, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders" and let your sons and daughters, "weep between the porch and the altar" (Joel 2:17) for the "sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart" (Psalm 51:17). We cry out to "Spare Your people, O Lord, and do not give America to reproach, that the nations should rule over us" (Joel 2:17).

TURNING FROM OUR WICKED WAYS

Father, I humble my heart and find a place of DEEP REPENTANCE for the times that I, as part of the body of Christ, have not stood for righteousness and for the times I did not stand against what You are against.

Father, I begin by repenting for my very prayers that have brought a stench before Your throne. I repent for my selfish thoughts and ways and for the times I "ask and do not receive, because I ask wrongly, to spend it on my passions" (James 4:3).

I repent for making demands on You in my prayers, when I have not even sought Your heart on the matter. I repent for praying my will, not "Your will be done" (Matthew 6:10, 26:42).

You look to the ones who have a "poor and a contrite spirit, and who trembles at Your Word" (Isaiah 66:2b). I repent with a humbled heart as I fear You, Lord.

I confess and repent that my silence is passive acceptance and submission to the plans of the enemy. I cannot expose darkness while I am silent.

"A little leaven, leavens the whole lump (1 Corinthians 5:6). "Cleanse me from my sin, for I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, only have I sinned" (Psalm 51:2-3).

Abba Father, as part of the body of Christ, I REPENT......

Forgive me for being double-minded (Matt. 6:24) and not standing for Your truth.

Forgive me for any cowardice and complacency in my life, and times I have not loved the things You love and hated the things You hate (Psalm 119:113).

Forgive me for the times I "have fellowshipped with the unfruitful works of darkness rather than expose them" (Ephesians 5:11).

Forgive me for using my "liberty as an opportunity for the flesh" and for not serving others in love (Galatians 5:13).

Forgive me for "being a friend to the world, thus making myself an enemy of God" (James 4:4).

Forgive me Lord, for my pride and for exalting myself, instead of "humbling myself that You may exalt me in due time" (1 Peter 5:6, Matthew 23:12).

Forgive me Lord, for always focusing on the speck in my neighbor's eye instead of "considering the plank in my own eye" (Matthew 7:3-4).

Forgive me for when I talked about another member of the body of Christ allowing the enemy to divert my energies from your plans and purposes to idle gossip (Leviticus 19:16).

Forgive me for when I have wrestled with another believer rather than walking in unity as one in the body of Christ (John 17).

Forgive us for becoming a nation that says, "I am rich and have become wealthy and have need of nothing," for in our pride we have become "wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked" (Revelation 3:17).

Forgive me and forgive my nation for coming into agreement with idolatry, promiscuity, fornication, adultery, pornography, prostitution, homosexuality and every form of perversion that has been sacrificed on the altar of "tolerance" (Exodus 20:3-6, 14, Leviticus 20:13, Psalm 115:4-8, Proverbs 6:32, Matthew 5:27-28, Romans 1:26-27 & 1 Corinthians 5:1-5, 6:9).

Forgive me, our state and nation for not standing stronger against the pro-choice movement and the "hands that shed innocent blood" (Proverbs 6:17).

Forgive me, forgive the state of ______, and forgive our nation's apathy toward abortion and the pro-choice and transgender movements and for not standing with You, our Creator God, in Your original intent for our children (Genesis 1:27).

Forgive me for the times I have not stood for righteousness, therefore bringing reproach on my state and nation (Proverbs 14:34).

Father, place my sin of passive acceptance under the blood of Your Son, Yeshua. I proclaim that from this point forward, I will object to and protest the things that You abhor and I will cling to what is good and righteous, demonstrating genuine love for You and Your commandments (Romans 12:9). I will stand up for what is righteous; building our state into Your righteous kingdom (Proverbs 31:9).

Teach me to crucify myself daily (1 Corinthians 15:31), "putting off, concerning my former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts" to bring righteousness to the state of _____ (Ephesians 4:22).

Let our repentance be a sweet fragrance in heaven (Revelation 5:8, 8:4) as we petition You to intervene to help us tear down idols and strongholds in our lives that have taken their grip on our nation, leading us down a path of spiritual and political destruction.

We will remind ourselves of how America has "provoked You to wrath" (Deuteronomy 9:7) and it is only by Your goodness that You may relent and save us from the evil set before our nation.

We will not gloat when You punish our enemies, for they are actually Your enemies. "Do not rejoice when your enemy falls, and do not let your heart be glad when he stumbles; Or the Lord will see it and be displeased, and turn His anger away from him and turn his wrath away from them" (Proverbs 24:17-18).

We will "NOT think in our hearts that it is because of our righteousness" (Deut. 9:4) that You have brought us through and once again given us righteous leaders. We will not brag of the power of our prayers or the authority we wield. We will give You all the "praise and honor and glory" (Revelation 5:13) as we are "created for Your glory" (Isaiah 43:7).

THEN WILL HE HEAR FROM HEAVEN

Father, HEAR US CRY OUT TO YOU......

"Hear the voice of my petitions, when I cry to You, when I lift up my hands toward Your Most Holy Place" (Psalm 28:2).

"Hear us as You heard Jesus, who "offered up prayers and supplications with vehement cries and tears" and "was heard because of His godly fear" (Heb. 5:7).

"My God, I pray, let Your eyes be open and let Your ears be attentive to the prayer made in this place" (2 Chronicles 6:40). "My God, turn Your ear, and hear; open Your eyes, and see our desolations, for we do not present our petitions before You for our righteousness, but for Your great mercies' sake" (Daniel 9:18).

"Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything **according to His will**, He hears us" (1 John 5:14). "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7).

AND HEAL OUR LAND

If we humble ourselves and repent, "who knows if" God may turn away His wrath and instead, bless us with a righteous government once again.

You "are rich in mercy because of Your great love with which You loved us" (Ephesians 2:4). We ask that You go before us as a consuming fire "destroying the enemies of Israel and America and bringing them down before You" and that "You drive them out and destroy them quickly" as You did when Israel crossed over the Jordan River (Deuteronomy 9:3).

Testimony – Do It Again Lord!

"See how Ahab has **humbled** himself before Me? Because he has **humbled** himself before Me, I will not bring the calamity in his days" (1 Kings 21:29).

"Because your heart (King Josiah) was tender, and you **humbled** yourself before the Lord when you heard what I spoke against this place and against its inhabitants, that they would become a desolation and a curse, and you **tore your clothes** and **wept** before Me, I also have heard you," says the Lord" (2 Kings 22:19).

"The leaders of Israel and King Rehoboam **humbled** themselves; and they said, "The Lord is righteous." Now when the Lord saw that they **humbled** themselves, the word of the Lord came to Shemaiah, saying, "They have **humbled** themselves; therefore, I will not destroy them, but I will grant them some deliverance. My wrath shall not be poured out" (2 Chronicles 12:6-7).

"Then he **humbled** himself from the pride of his heart, he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the Lord did not come upon them in the days of King Hezekiah" (2 Chronicles 32:26).

"Now when he was in affliction, he **implored** the Lord his God, and King Manasseh **humbled** himself greatly before the God of his fathers, and prayed to Him; and He received his entreaty, heard his supplication" (2 Chronicles 33:12-13).

King Josiah, "because your heart was tender, and you **humbled** yourself before God when you heard His words against this place and against its inhabitants, and you **humbled** yourself before Me, and you **tore your clothes** and **wept** before Me, I also have heard you," says the Lord. Surely, I will gather you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace; and your eyes shall not see all the calamity which I will bring on this place and its inhabitants" (2 Chronicles 34:27).

"Therefore, I ask that you **do not lose heart** at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. **Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think**, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever" (Ephesians 3:13-21).

Jesus, Lord and King!

We often call idols, "gods". Idols are made with man's hands or conceived in our minds. Idols/gods are influenced by evil spirits, but they are not omnipresent – they cannot be at more than one place at a time.

*Genesis 35:2; Exodus. 20:4, 32:4, 34:17; Leviticus 19:4; Deuteronomy 4:25, 27:25; Isaiah 44:9-20, 26:1.

REPENTANCE

Abba Father, we the Ekklesia repent that we have not stood for You in all circumstances.

- We repent that we have followed idols and worshiped things and people other than You.
- We repent for allowing false gods to reign in our state. Forgive us for being apathetic, thus giving over territory to the enemy.
- We repent for following pastors, prophets, apostles, and other good men and women, rather than keeping our eyes on You.
- We repent for buying the lie of tolerance toward things that You hate.
- We repent for justifying sin in our lives.
- We repent for not faithfully praying for Israel and blessing them as they are Your chosen people (Deuteronomy 14:2).

Please forgive us and cover these transgressions in Your blood.

ONE LORD

We proclaim that we will NO LONGER halt, immobilized between two opinions (1 Kings 18:21). We will obey the commandments You have set before us and thereby, choose blessings for our nation (Deuteronomy 11:26-27). Lord, we will be a living sacrifice in Your Kingdom, who point the lost and dying to You Lord, for You are God (Romans 12:1).

We proclaim that You, Yahweh, are Lord, and we will follow You in word and in deed. We stand in agreement with John Adams who declared, "We recognize no sovereign but God, and no king but Jesus!" (April 18, 1775).

There is no one we pray to or set as an idol, save Jesus the Messiah. We will follow God rather than man. We shall not seek others but will seek You for all things.

We say to those who follow such men as a Governor, President, Elder, Prophet, Apostle, Pastor, Teacher, Evangelist, Healer, Bishop, Priest, or any other man or woman, turn your eyes to Jesus. We will honor men, but only worship Jesus our King. We will lift up the name ABOVE all names the name of Yeshua, Jesus, Emmanuel.

Those who cry out to any false god, will not be heard and will receive no answer from their idol (1 Kings 18:26). It is You, Yahweh who answered Elijah and consumed the sacrifice on the altar.

Then the prophets of Baal fell on their faces realizing that Baal did not exist and could not answer their prayers. They cried out, "The Lord, He is God! The Lord He is God!" (1 Kings 18:39).

We call You Yahweh, Elohim, Adonai, and Abba. You are the CREATOR God, our Father (Genesis 1:1). Jesus, You are the Son of God, not just a prophet or good man, but God in the flesh (Matthew 1:23, John 10:30 Philippians 2:5-6). Holy Spirit, You are God who dwells WITH us and IN us (1 Corinthians 3:16).

You are the one and only true God. All other gods and idols are made of man's hands and are supported by puffed up evil spirits who have no authority in Your kingdom in heaven or earth as "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to You" (Matthew 28:18-20). We ask for eyes to be opened to see the one true God so that judgment may not come upon them.

We call upon the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob to expose all plans of the enemy to harm Israel or America. "Greater is He that is in us, than he that is in the world" (1 John 4:4).

Those who bring terrorism, threats, violence or fear upon Israel, America or any other nation in the name of their god, have no authority over Yeshua and His plans. Just as you exposed Haman, turn the plans of the enemy upon himself and hang him upon his own gallows set for Israel and America (Esther 7).

JESUS IS KING!

"That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth" (Philippians 2:10).

"I have sworn by Myself, the word is gone out of My mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear" (Isaiah 45:23).

"For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God" (Romans 14:11).

To the enemy Jesus says, "Get thee behind Me, satan, for it is written, you shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve" (Luke 4:8).

"For the LORD our God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality nor takes a bribe" (Deut. 10:17).

Jesus WAS, IS, and ALWAYS will be King!

- Wise men sought a king (Matt. 2:2).
- Jesus rode into Jerusalem as a king (Matt. 21:5, Luke 19:38, & John 12:13).
- Jesus died as a King (John 18:37).
- The Apostle Paul worshiped Jesus as King (1 Tim. 1:17 & 6:15).
- He SHALL return as conquering King (Rev. 17:14 & 19:16).

OPTIONAL: PROPHETIC ACT

* Remember the goal is NOT to draw attention to yourselves. Do not blow a shofar or do anything to draw attention. Place stones somewhere they will not be visible or removed by others. You are establishing an altar to Yahweh.

Today, the Church of (<u>state</u>), build a new altar unto King Jesus. This altar represents a place of sacrifice, worship and consecration and covenant unto You, Lord. We place these stones as a memorial to all, that Jesus is king over (<u>county or state</u>).

"An altar of earth you shall make for Me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings.... In every place where I cause My name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you" (Exodus 20:24).

As we erect this altar to you Yahweh, we proclaim alignment with Romans 12 and we "present our bodies (Philippians 4:18, Hebrew 10:18, 20) a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is our reasonable service. We proclaim we will "not be conformed to this world" (Matthew 13:22, Galatians 1:4, 1 John 2:15) but "will be transformed by the renewing of our minds" (Ephesians 4:23; Titus 3:5), that we may "prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God "(I Thessalonians 4:3).

LEGACY for Our CHILDREN

Father, as we gather this morning we come "boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). We cry out in the name of Jesus and claim His shed blood over our sin.

As it is written, You, God, "looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before Me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it" (Ezekiel 22:30).

REPENTANCE

Therefore, we declare today, the Church will stand in the gap and repent for our agreement with idolatry, promiscuity, pornography, prostitution and every form of perversion that has been sacrificed on the altar of "tolerance."

- Forgive us for being double minded (Matthew 6:24) and not standing for Your truths.
- Forgive the Ekklesia for any cowardice and complacency toward loving the things You love and hating the things You hate (Psalm 119:113).
- Forgive us for not standing strong against the "hands that shed innocent blood" (Prov. 6:17b).
- Forgive our apathy toward abortion and the pro-life and transgender movements and for not standing with You, our Creator God, in Your original intent for our children (Genesis 1:27).
- Forgive us for wrestling with one another rather than walking in unity as one in the body of Christ (John 17).
- Forgive the Ekklesia for not standing for righteousness and thus bringing reproach on America (Proverbs 14:34b).

Abba, You are "gracious and merciful; slow to anger and great in lovingkindness" (Psalms 145:8) and You tell us that "Mercy triumphs over judgement" (James 2:13b), so we ask for mercy over America and the state of ______.

RIGHTEOUS STAND

We will NO LONGER HALT, immobilized between two opinions: that of God and that of man (1 Kings 18:21). We will "Obey God rather than man" (Acts 5:29). You Yahweh, are LORD, and we will follow You in Word and in deed.

We will stand for righteousness and be doers of the Word, and not hearers only (James 1:22) for "righteousness exalts a nation" (Prov. 14:34a).

We will "Open our mouths for the speechless, in the cause of all who are appointed to die" and we will "open our mouths, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy" (Proverbs 31:8. 9).

LIFE

We proclaim that LIFE begins at conception and the unborn must be preserved and protected. We call forth the culture of LIFE, which is only found in Jesus Christ. We pray that no children in the State of _____ will pass through the fire (Leviticus 18:21), nor will their lives be snuffed out before Your appointed time (Ecclesiastes 7:17). While "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; YOU came so that our children "would have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10). Your Kingdom is from generation to generation and therefore we pray that the generations will be saved and protected because no one can restrain Your hand (Daniel 4:35). We pray that the Spirit of God will be so strong in the state of _____ that the demand for abortions will completely dry up so that no innocent blood will be shed in the state of _____ or in our nation (Deuteronomy 19:10). Father, we boldly ask You to shut down all abortion clinics in the state of _____. The Church will stand against the culture of death and will bring the culture of LIFE to our communities. "We will defend the poor and fatherless and do justice to the afflicted and needy" (Psalm 82:3). We pray for the furthering of secure laws that protect the unborn and end abortion in the state of ! We pray that mothers and fathers will rise up and care for foster and adopted children in Godly homes and also care for pregnant women and mothers.

Father, we proclaim that "You have heard the desire of the humble; You will prepare their heart; You will cause Your ear to hear, To do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, That the man of the earth may oppress no more" (Psalm 10:17-18).

ORIGINAL INTENT

Father, there are those who have would seek to hurt and mutilate our children and youth as "they have a heart that devises wicked plans" (Prov. 6:18). They seek to scoff at You and Your design for all children from the womb to adulthood.

We pray that the roles of male and female in our nation are being lined up with Your original intent and design. "So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them" (Genesis 1:27).

Father, we "ask that the eyes of our hearts may be enlightened, so that our children & youth may know the hope of Your calling (Ephesians 1:18). For our children & youth are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which You prepared in advance (Ephesians 2:10).

Uphold us according unto Thy Word, that we may live: and let us not be ashamed of our hope, which is found only in You (Psalm 119:116).

We will "deliver the poor and needy and free our children from the hand of the wicked" (Psalm 82:4) by standing strong on scripture and speaking out in our communities.

LEGACY

We proclaim that "children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth" (Psalms 127:3-4). We in the state of _____ will bless the Lord for entrusting them to us and we will honor them by walking in the fear of the Lord.

We declare the extension of Your covenants from one generation to another. "...the LORD our God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments" (Deuteronomy 7:9).

God we ask you to place a hedge of protection and a wall of fire around our children and our children's children, to guard and protect them from the attacks of the enemy (Job 1:10, Zechariah 2:5).

Father we come into covenant with You that:

- We will stand for our children and youth
- We will stand for our families
- We will stand for the state of _____
- We will stand for America
- We will stand for Your truth
- We will stand for You, Almighty God!

MEDIA

We repent of allowing our tongues to be used for evil by repeating fake news or posting things we have not validated and we proclaim that our tongues will speak TRUTH. We will "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them*" (Ephesians 5:11).

Proverbs 18:21 tells us that "Death and life are in the power of the tongue." The void and darkness of Genesis 1 were dispelled when Elohim said: "Let there be light."

We pray that You, Father, break the power of the lies of the evil one and call forth Your plans and purposes on earth, as it is in heaven.

We pray "blind eyes will be opened and for all prisoners of darkness to be brought out of prison houses of deception to see the light of TRUTH" (Isaiah 42:7). We pray that owners and executives in all media will be drawn to the saving knowledge of Jesus.

We pray that darkness will be made light before them and TRUTH will shine forth and that "crooked places will be made strait" (Isaiah 45:2). We pray that "the eyes of our understanding will be enlightened" to see and report TRUTH according to Ephesians 1:18.

We ask You, Lord, to intervene and break the power of false proclamations, prophecies and false narratives coming through mass media.

We pray that all believers in media be led by the Spirit and be guided into all truth according to John 16:13.

We pray and ask for Christian media to flourish and grow and reach the multitudes.

We pray that more believers will rise in all forms of media to write, speak, and declare the truth. We ask that the Word of the Lord will go forth in all forms of media and never return void according to Isaiah 55:11.

MEN RISE UP

Genesis 1:26 Then God said, "Let us make man in Our image, in Our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground. 27 So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him, male and female he created them.

As Sons... We pray the men in (state) will be redeemed from the curse of the law through Jesus, and will be led by the Spirit of God are heirs of God, and co-heirs with Christ (Romans 8:14-17). As sons, they are also heirs through Christ (Galatians 4:7), receiving all the blessings and benefits of sons and heirs.

As Brothers... We pray the men in (state), young and old, will "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another" (Romans 12:10). As these men dwell together in unity, they behold how good and pleasant it is, and they sharpen one another to righteousness, character, and acts of service, as iron sharpens iron (Proverbs 27:17). We pray and ask God, "who gives perseverance and encouragement" to "grant them to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus" (Romans 5:15) and to "be subject to one another in the fear of Christ" (Ephesians 5:21).

As Husbands... We pray the men will walk blameless, faithful to their wives, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior. We pray the men will be hospitable and eager to share the gospel, not given to much wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but are gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous, and will lead their homes well (1 Timothy 3:2-7).

As Fathers... We pray the hearts of fathers in (state) will turn to their children (Malachi 4:6) in love, discipline, wisdom and compassion. We pray men will lead their children to become men and women who honor their parents, follow after Jesus faithfully, and are led by the Holy Spirit to establish the Kingdom of God on the earth, building a legacy of generations of faithful followers of Christ. We pray men be "strong and of good courage" (Joshua 1:9).

As Friends... We pray the men in (state) know the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. (2 Corinthians 13:14). We pray they walk in faith as Abraham and are called friends of God (James 2:22-24).

As Producers of Good Fruit... We pray the men in (state) will be planted in the house of the Lord and flourish in the courts of our God (Psalm 92:13). They will exhibit fruit of the Spirit: "joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (Galatians 5:22-23), as they go about reaping a harvest of righteousness, favor, and blessings.

Worshippers... We pray the men in (state) will have a heart after God's heart to do His will. They will earnestly seek God and hunger and thirst after Him with their whole being. We pray they worship the Lord with full abandon, they glorify the Lord with their lips; they praise Him as long as they live; and in His name they lift up their hands, and with singing they will praise the Lord forever! (Psalm 63:1-5)

As Intercessors... We pray the men across (state) will long and thirst after God and will arise early to seek Him (Ps. 63:1), interceding for Israel, their families, the government, and the lost. We pray they will wage a spiritual war against spiritual forces of evil (Ephesians 6:12) and will pray with groans that words cannot express (Romans 8:26). We pray the men will take their place on the wall, standing shoulder to shoulder with other men and women, as they watch and stand fast in the faith with strength, courage, and unity!

As Warriors... We pray the men of (state) will be peacemakers (Matthew 5:9), and every man shall know the time and season for war. We ask the Lord that no weapon formed against the men in (state) shall prosper (Isaiah 54:17). We pray they will put on the full armor of God; the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, feet fitted with the gospel of peace, take up the shield of faith, put on the helmet of salvation, take up the sword – the Word of God (Ephesians 6:11-18).

NAMES OF GOD

We, the Church of the state of _____ release, this day, across our state and our nation, Your names, Oh Lord, King and Creator of the Universe!

El Elyon, You are the **Most High God** and You have extreme sovereignty, majesty and the highest preeminence (Genesis 14:18- 22, Psalm 57:2, 78:35).

El Roi, You are **The God Who Sees**. Your eyes go to and fro across our nation (Genesis 16:13, 2 Chronicles 16:9-12).

Jehovah Raah, You are **Our Shepherd**. The one who feeds His flock as friend and companion (Psalm 23, 80:1; Genesis 48:15, 49:24).

Jehovah Rapha, You are **The Healer** and You exist to heal and restore (Exodus 15:26; Jeremiah 3:22, 30:17; Isaiah 30:26, 61:1; Psalm 103:3).

Jehovah Sabaoth, You are **The Lord of Hosts**. There is none mighty like our God, who is the Sovereign Lord over angel armies; (1 Samuel. 1:3; Psalm 24:9-10, 84:3; Isaiah 6:5).

You are the **Breaker and Deliverer** (Micah 2:13; Romans 11:26; 2 Samuel 22:2; Psalm 18:2, 40:17, 70:5, 144:2).

You are the **Door** (John 10:9), our **Blessed Hope** (Titus 2:13), the **Author of Life** (Acts 3:15), the **Everlasting King** (Jeremiah 10:10; 1 Timothy 1:16-17) and the **Lion of Judah** (Revelation 5:5; Genesis 49:9-10; Isaiah 31:4) who roars over the state of ______.

You Lord are the Word made flesh (John 1:1), the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:6).

Our **Wonderful Counselor** (Isa. 9:6), our **Redeemer King** (Isaiah 63:16, 43:14, 47:4; Job 19:25; Psalm 19:14; Romans 3:24; Ephesians 1:7) and the **Lamb of God** who took our sin (Revelation 13:8, 5:12).

You are the **Vine** to whom we are eternally connected (John 15:5) and You are the **Lily of the Valle**y and the **Rose of Sharon** (Song of Solomon 2:1) to our souls.

You are the **King of kings** and the **Lord of lords** (Revelation 19:16), the **Great I AM** (Exodus 3:14). You are the **Jealous God** who guards what is His, whose name is **Qanna** (Exodus 20:5, 34:14; Deuteronomy 4:24, 5:9, 6:15).

You are **Faithful and True** (Revelation 19:11), the **Bread of Life** (John 6:26-35, 47-48), the **Bright Morning Star** (Revelation 22:16; 2 Peter 1:19), and the **Author and Finisher of our Faith** (Hebrews 12:1-2).

You are **Jehovah Shalom** who speaks **peace** over our hearts and minds (Jude 6:24).

You are our **Abba, our Father** (Galatians 4:6; Mark 14:36; Romans 8:15), the **Alpha and Omega**, the **Beginning and the End** (Revelation 1:8, 11, 21:16, 22:13).

You are Jehovah Shammah, for You are always with us (Exodus 48:35).

You are our God and our Redeemer (Jeremiah 50:34).

The King of Righteousness (Hebrews 7:2)
The King of the Ages (1 Timothy 1:17)
The King of Heaven (Daniel 4:37)
The King of Glory (Psalm 24:8-10)

You are **Infinite** (Psalm 139:7-10; 1 Kings 8:27)

Omnipotent (Luke 1:37)
Omnipresent (Jeremiah 23:24)
You are Eternal (Isaiah 43:13)
You are the Ancient of Days (Daniel 7)

The **Only Wise God** (Jude 1:25; Romans 16:27).

Immanuel.... God with us (Matthew 1:22-23).

Your **goodness is limitless** (1 Corinthians 13:10-12) and Your **mercy is everlasting** (Psalm 100:5).

Your yoke is easy and Your burden is light (Matthew 11:28-30).

You are **our strong tower** (Proverbs 18:10), our **Refuge** (Psalm 62:8) and our **Strength** (Psalm 46:1).

You are the **God of Miracles** (Psalm 77:14) who heals the sick and delivers the captives and sets them free (Luke 4:18).

You are the **Consolation of Israel** (Isaiah 40:1-2) and the **Desire of all Nations** (Haggai 2:7).

The **Head of the Church** (Colossians 1:18), the **Holy One** (Isaiah 10:20; Leviticus 11:44-45) and our **Great High Priest** (Heb. 4:14-16).

You are our **Mediator** (1 Timothy 2:5), our Counselor (John 14:26), the **Resurrection and the Life** (John 11:25-26) and our **Prince of Peace** (Isaiah 9:6).

"The name of the Lord is **a strong tower**; the righteous run to it and are safe" (Proverbs 18:10). "God is our **Refuge and our Strength**" (Psalm 46:1).

We place these names of God over our state, and all of her people, as our Sovereign God.

"We recognize no sovereign but God, and no king but Jesus!" (John Adams)

One God

Background (do not read aloud): In 1 Kings 18, Elijah comes up against the false prophets of Baal. "But there was no voice; no one answered." Again, they cried out, "But there was no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention" (vs 26, 29). There was no answer from Baal because he did not exist. "They worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers had made" (Isaiah 2:8). Altars were erected to worship molten gods that were not real, they were conceived in the mind of man and made with their hands.

Yes, there are demons behind this worship as they are convincing people the gods are real; but they are not. "For his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them" (Jeremiah 10:14, 51:17). God tells us we "should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk" (Revelation 9:20). When we worship a god (anything we put in the place of God), we are worshipping at the altar of the enemy (satan).

Turn from Idols

Father, we acknowledge that America has come to a crossroad and what Elijah said to the people at Mt. Carmel can be said to our nation: "How long will you halt between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him" (1 Kings 18:21). Just as those false prophets cried out to false gods, America, and the Church, have cried out to the gods of humanism, greed, knowledge, science, prophets and government.

You warned Your people, "Do not turn to idols, nor make for yourselves molten gods: I am the Lord your God" (Leviticus 19:4). "You shall not make anything to be with Me; gods of silver or gods of gold you shall not make for yourselves" (Exodus 20:23).

"Take heed to yourself, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land where you are going, lest it be a snare in your midst. But you shall destroy their altars, break their sacred pillars, and cut down their wooden images (for you shall worship no other god, for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God)" (Exodus 34:12-14).

Abba, we REPENT for placing things (gods) before you and trusting in these things. "Break up the fallow ground" and circumcise our hearts unto You (Hosea 10:12, Jeremiah 4:3-4). Holy Spirit, show us how to destroy the altars and break sacred pillars that we have allowed to become strongholds in our lives. Help us to walk in a way that we do not come into covenant with the world, "... for it is the time to seek the LORD, that You may come and rain righteousness upon us" (Hosea 10:12b).

One God, No Other

Father, "... we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is NO OTHER GOD but ONE. For even there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth, yet for us there is ONE GOD, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and ONE LORD Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live" (1 Corinthians 8:4-6).

We cry out as did the false prophets in 1 Kings 18, "Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that YOU ARE GOD in Israel" and in America (1 Kings 18:36). "You believe that there is ONE GOD. You do well. Even the demons believe and tremble!" (James 2:19).

"I AM THE LORD, and there is NO OTHER; there is NO GOD BESIDES ME. I will equip you, though you have not known Me, that they may know from the rising of the sun to its setting that there is none besides Me. I AM THE LORD, and there is NO OTHER; I form the light and create darkness, I make peace and create calamity; I, the LORD, do all these things" (Isaiah 45:5-7).

"To you it was shown, that you might know that the LORD HIMSELF IS GOD; there is NONE OTHER besides Him" (Deuteronomy 4:35).

Hear, O America, "For there is ONE GOD and ONE MEDIATOR between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time" (1 Timothy 2:5-6). "O Lord, there is NONE LIKE YOU, nor is there any God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears" (1 Chronicles 17:20).

"Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel, and His Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: 'I AM THE FIRST and I AM THE LAST; besides Me there is no God" (Isaiah 44:6)

We, the Church, proclaim; there is "ONE GOD and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:6). "The LORD our God, the LORD IS ONE! I shall love the LORD my God with all my heart, with all my soul, and with all my strength" (Deuteronomy 6:4-5).

Father, "You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created" (Revelation 4:11).

Therefore, may my supplication "be near the Lord my God, day and night ... that all the peoples of the earth may know that THE LORD IS GOD; there is NO OTHER. Let my heart therefore be loyal to the Lord my God, to walk in His statutes and keep His commandments" all the days of my life (1 Kings 8:59-61).

O Lord, there is NONE LIKE YOU!

OPEN MY EYES

We stand in agreement across the state of ______ that our eyes are being opened and the veil is being removed, to see as You, Father. As we do, we will begin to model in (state) what is in Heaven. We acknowledge as watchmen, Matthew 6:22, that our eyes are the lamp of our body and therefore our bodies are full of light. We repent of times we have strayed from Your Word and allowed darkness in through our eyes.

Psalm 119:130 says, "The entrance [unfolding declaration] of Your words [spoken out] gives light." We stand on Your holy scriptures and not the words of man and proclaim, "blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8).

As your sons and daughters, we repeat the prayer of Elisha, "Lord, I pray, open our eyes that we may see" (2 Kings 6:17). We come into agreement with Psalms 119:18 that our eyes are opened to see wondrous things from Your law (Psalm 119:18).

Father, mold the Church so they will be righteous before you; "for when the righteous reign, the eyes of those who see will not be dim, and the ears of those who hear will listen" (Isa. 32:3). We stand in agreement that a new culture is rising in our state that models Your ways among men because we "have chosen the way of truth; Your judgments I have laid before me" (Psalm 119:30).

We acknowledge that it is "God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God" (2 Corinthians 4:6). Therefore, we stand in faith on Acts 26:18, "To open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of the enemy to the one true God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Him" (2 Corinthians 3:16) resulting in the veil being taken away as people turn to the LORD.

We pray "that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, will give to (state) the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. The eyes of our understanding being enlightened; that we may know what is the hope of His calling" (Ephesians 1:17-18).

We pray that you, Jesus, "will give them one heart, and will put a new spirit within them. You are removing the stony heart out of their flesh, to give them a heart of flesh" (Ezekiel 11:19, 36:26).

As the Church in the state of _____, we proclaim that we "are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that we may proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

PEACE OFFERING

Father, You are Yahweh-Shalom, The Lord our peace.

PEACE in ISRAEL

You instructed us to "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem" that You may prosper who love Israel. "Peace be within your walls, prosperity within your palaces", O Israel (Psalm 122:6-7). We pray for peace at Israel's borders "from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates" (Exodus 23:31).

"The work of righteousness will be **peace**, And the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever. My people will dwell in a **peace**ful habitation, In secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places" (Isaiah 32:17-18). We bless Israel in word and deed, so that all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Genesis 12:3) and so that **peace** shall come to Israel and America. **Jehovah, the God of Israel, is my peace**.

PEACE in AMERICA

Father, we pray for **peace** in the hearts of Americans, at home and abroad. We pray for the hearts of Americans to turn to Jesus for **peace**, rather than the government. As it is written, "I am for **peace**" (Psalm 120:7a). "For He Himself is our **peace**, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation" (Eph. 2:14).

"He only is my rock and my salvation, my defense; I shall not be shaken" (Psalm 62:6). "Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation" (Isaiah 12:2). Magen, the Lord my Shield and protector, is my peace. (Magen pronounced: maw-gane)

Remind us Holy Spirit to place our trust in You and not in wealth, government, or man. Only Jesus can bring **peace** to my soul and our nation. "The Lord is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the defense of my life; Whom shall I dread?" (Psalm 27:1). Adonai, the Lord and Master, is my peace.

"You only are my rock and my salvation, my defense; I shall not be shaken" (Psalm 62:6). "Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation" (Isaiah 12:2). Yahweh Elohim, the one true God, is my peace.

"David built there an altar to the Lord, and offered burnt offerings and **peace** offerings. So, the Lord heeded the prayers for the land, and the plague was withdrawn from Israel" (2 Samuel 24:25). Today, we offer up our **peace** offering, unto You, Yahweh, by allowing "the **peace of God** to **rule in our hearts**, to which also we are called in one body; and we will be thankful" (Colossians 3:15).

We understand that nothing can happen without either Your permission (Job 1:12) or Your direct hand in the situation. "He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up

kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding" (Daniel 2:21-22). Yahweh Sabaoth, the Lord of Host, is our peace.

Our **peace** rests in Your providence as You have set the king over America. "Dominion and fear belong to Him; He makes **peace** in His high places" (Job 25:2).

As it is written, "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have **peace**. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). "The Lord will give strength to His people; The Lord will bless His people with **peace**" (Psalm 29:11).

We speak Philippians 4 over America. "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the **peace of God, which surpasses all understanding**, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7). "The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace" (Psalm 29:11).

"For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made **peace through the blood of His cross**" (Colossians 1:19-20). "He has redeemed my soul in **peace** from the battle that was against me, For there were many against me" (Psalm 55:18).

Therefore, we will "depart from evil and do good; seek **peace** and pursue it" (Psalm 34:14). We will "pursue **peace** with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14), for "the fruit of righteousness is sown in **peace** by those who make **peace**" (James 3:18).

"Lord, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us. You have put gladness in my heart. I will both lie down in **peace**, and sleep; for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety" (Psalm 4:7a, 8). For "When a man's ways please the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at **peace** with him" (Proverbs 16:7)

"I will hear what God the Lord will speak, For He will speak **peace** To His people and to His saints; But let them not turn back to folly. Mercy and truth have met together; Righteousness and **peace** have kissed" (Psalm 85:8, 10). "And the God of **peace** will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you" (Romans 16:20). **El Elyon, the Lord Most High is my peace**.

"These are the things you shall do: Speak each man the truth to his neighbor; Give judgment in your gates for truth, justice, and **peace**" (Zechariah 8:16). "Therefore, let us pursue the things which make for **peace** and the things by which one may edify another" (Romans 14:9). **El Roi, the God who sees, is my peace**.

We praise You, Abba, for hearing our petitions and for answering by giving us Righteous Rule in our nation. We will now, "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition which you have asked of Him" (1 Samuel 1:17). For "You will keep us in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because we trust in You" (Isaiah 26:3). El Shaddai, God Almighty, the all sufficient one, is my peace.

PRAISE HIS NAME

We stand united today to "give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever" over (county or state) (1 Chronicles 16:34). "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord" (Psalm 150:6)

"Give unto the Lord, O you mighty ones, give unto the Lord glory and strength. Give unto the Lord the glory due of His name; worship the Lord in the majesty of holiness. The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is over many waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty" (Psalm 29:1-4).

As it is written, "O Jehovah, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, And You are exalted as head over all" (1 Chronicles 29:11).

We proclaim that our "mouths be filled with Your praise & with Your glory all the day" (Psalm 71:8). "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord!" (Psalm 150:6). "Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name!" (Psalm 103:1)

Oh come, let (county or state) "worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker" (Psalm 95:6). "No one is holy like the Lord, for there is none besides You, nor is there any rock like our God" (1 Samuel 2:2).

We proclaim, "You are our Lord, our goodness is nothing apart from You" (Psalm 16:2). "The Lord is our strength and our shield. Our hearts trusted in Him, and we are helped; therefore, our hearts greatly rejoices, and with our songs we will praise Him" (Psalm 28:7).

"Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable" (Psalm 145:3). "We will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in our mouths" (Psalm 34:1).

"God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth" (Philippians 2:9-10). "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim

His name;
make known among the nations what He has done" (Psalm 105:1). We exalt His name!

We "lift up our hands in the sanctuary and bless the LORD" (Psalm 134:2) "We will be glad and rejoice in You; we will sing praise to Your name, O Most High" (Psalm 9:2) "We will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples, and we will sing praises to You among the nations" (Psalm 108:3).

"Our lips shall greatly rejoice as we sing to You, and our souls, which You have redeemed" (Psalm 71:23). Amen and Praise His Name! "I will praise You, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your marvelous works. I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High" (Psalm 9:1-2).

"The Lord is great in Zion, and He is high above all the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name. He is holy. Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool. He is holy. Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His holy hill; for the Lord our God is holy" (Psalm 99: 2-3, 5, 9).

"O Lord, You are my God. I will exalt You, I will praise Your name, for You have done wonderful things; Your counsels of old are faithfulness and truth" (Isaiah 25:1). "Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore!" (Psalm 113:2).

"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being" (Psalm 104:33). "Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation" (Psalm 111:1).

"I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify Him with thanksgiving" (Psalm 69:30).

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts!

Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light!

Praise Him, you heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for He commanded and they were created.

He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all the depths;

Fire and hail, snow and clouds; stormy wind, fulfilling His word;

Mountains and all hills; fruitful trees and all cedars;

Beasts and all cattle; creeping things and flying fowl;

Kings of the earth and all peoples; princes and all judges of the earth;

Both young men and maidens; old men and children.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted;

His glory is above the earth and heaven.

And He has exalted the horn of His people, the praise of all His saints

Of the children of Israel, a people near to Him. Praise the Lord! (Psalm 148)

"For of Him and through Him & to Him are all things, to Whom be glory forever" (Romans 11:36).

PRESENCE of GOD

"O God, You are my God; early will I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water. So, I have looked for You in the sanctuary, to see Your power and Your glory. Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise You. Thus, I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name. My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth shall praise You with joyful lips. When I remember You on my bed, I meditate on You in the night watches. Because You have been my help, therefore in the shadow of Your wings I will rejoice. My soul follows close behind You; Your right hand upholds me" (Psalm 63: 1-8).

We want Your presence Lord, so we will draw near to You and You will draw near to us (James 4:8). As it is written, You are "near to all who call upon You, To all who call upon You in truth" (Psalm 145:18). Lord, let us hear Your still small voice as Elijah did in 1 Kings 19.

"You will show us the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore" (Psalm 16:11).

We will "Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually" (Psalm 105:4). "We will seek You and find you, when we seek You with all our heart" (Jeremiah 29:13).

We will cleanse our hands and purify our hearts before You (James 4:8). We will "humble ourselves and pray, and seek Your face and turn from our wicked ways" (1 Chronicles 7:14).

As it is written, "it is the Lord that goes before us" (Deuteronomy 31:8). You are with us and will not leave us. As it is written, "I am continually with You; You hold me by my right hand" (Psalm 73:23). Your presence is with us always!

We ask that the county of _____become a holy habitation for Your presence Lord. Abba, we know that Your presence and glory are in us and that makes us carriers of your presence everywhere we go.

We "have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory" (Psalm 63:2).

"And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit" (2 Corinthians 3:18). And we cry out, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing" (Revelation 5:12).

PRIDE NO MORE

We, the Church of (<u>state</u>) acknowledge our need to repent of PRIDE as part of the old wineskin we choose to release. Today, we turn to the prophetic word of Zephaniah 3:11 as our hope, standing in agreement with the promise to the remnant saints, as we move forward: "In that day you shall not be shamed for any of your deed, in which you transgress against Me; For then I will take away from your midst those who rejoice in your pride, and you shall no longer be haughty in My holy mountain." Father, forgive us for our PRIDE.

We declare that You Father, our Creator, are over all people, tongues, tribes and nations. We understand (<u>state</u>) cannot escape Your presence (Psalm 139:7). Even those that rail against You and Your Word, will one day bow, "... of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:10-11).

There are consequences for **PRIDE** in those who deny the truth according to Your Word. We release the following scriptures relative to **PRIDE**, to begin to stir the atmosphere over (state) for conviction and for the eyes currently blinded to be open to the truth according to Your Word...

Proverbs 14:3 "In the mouth of a fool is a rod of **pride**."

Proverbs 8:13 "The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; **pride** and arrogance and the evil way and the perverse mouth I hate."

Proverbs 16:18 "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."

Zephaniah 2:10 "This they shall have for their **pride**, Because they have reproached and made arrogant threats against the people of the LORD of hosts."

Obadiah 1:3 The **pride** of your heart has deceived you, You who dwell in the clefts of the rock, Whose habitation is high; You who say in your heart, 'Who will bring me down to the ground?'

Isaiah 2:11 "The **lofty** looks of man shall be humbled, The **haughtiness** of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day."

2 Samuel 22:28 You will save the humble people; But Your eyes are on the **haughty**, that You may bring them down.

Proverbs 11:2 "When **pride** comes, then comes shame."

Proverbs 29:23 "A man's **pride** will bring him low."

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

2 Chronicles 12:12 "When he humbled himself, the wrath of the LORD turned from him, so as not to destroy him."

We proclaim according to Acts 26:18 over the LGBTQ/ transgender community in (<u>state</u>) will "...open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me."

As it is written in Prov. 16, the spirit of **PRIDE** will be brought down and we pray it be replaced with humility in our state.

We pray that the LGBTQ/ Transgender community will be moved to "Humble themselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift them up" (James 4:10) and in their "humble spirit they will retain honor & wisdom" (Prov. 29:3b, 11:2b).

We proclaim according to Matthew 23:12 that "whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

We pray for those in the LGBTQ, transgender communities in (<u>state</u>) to know the Love of God in Jesus and call them into the Kingdom of God. According to Romans 4:17, we call those which are spiritually dead to come to life in the name of Yeshua!

We ask according to Colossians 1:13, that You "... deliver them from the power of darkness and convey them into the kingdom of the Son of His love." Thank You Holy Spirit for turning of hearts and for rescuing those trapped in darkness in the LGBTQ/transgender communities in (state).

We pray that God gives life to those who are spiritually dead and we speak LIFE over them in the Name of Yeshua, the Name above every name. Whom "the Son sets free, is free indeed" (John 8:36).

So, we proclaim that those in the LGBTQIA++ community will live out the acronym:

Let God Be Their Quest (LGBTQ) In America (IA) and all the nations of the earth (++).

RELEASING HIS LIGHT

We call for the Church in (<u>county or state</u>) to come together in churches, conferences, businesses or intersections of culture that will link them together to release the light of the Word of God in our communities.

We pray for the Fruit of the Spirit: "love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, and faithfulness" (Galatians 5:22, 23) to be manifest by the Church, so unbelievers will be drawn to Christ, the light of the world.

Father, we pray the Church will fulfill its calling: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:14-16).

"God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin" (I John 1:5-7).

We pray for a hunger for the Word of God and truth, so that its light can be shown in the darkness. For "Your word is a lamp to our feet and light to our path" (Psalm 119:105). Light the path and exposes the darkness in the hearts of mankind and draw them to Jesus Christ through conviction and truth. "Open blind eyes to bring out prisoners from the prison" of sin (Isaiah 42:6-7). "For it is You who lights my lamp; the Lord my God enlightens my darkness" (Psalm 18:28).

For Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life" (John 8:12). "I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in Me may not remain in darkness" (John 12:46).

Father, we pray that the Church will walk in light and truth to remove the darkness in (county or state). For when light comes, darkness must flee and truth follows to expose lies and turn of hearts toward You, our creator God.

REPENTANCE and MERCY

REPENTANCE

Father, I humble my heart and find a place of DEEP REPENTANCE for the times that I, as part of the body of Christ, have not stood for righteousness and for the times I did not stand against what You are against.

You look to the ones who have a "poor and a contrite spirit, and who tremble at Your Word" (Isaiah 66:2b). I repent with a humbled heart as I fear You, Lord.

I confess and repent that my silence is passive acceptance and submission to the plans of the enemy. I acknowledge that I cannot expose darkness while I am silent.

Abba Father, as part of the body of Christ, I REPENT. Forgive me for being double minded (Matthew 6:24) and not standing for Your truth.

- Forgive me for any cowardice and complacency in my life and times I have not loved the things You love and hated the things You hate (Psalm 119:113).
- Forgive me for the times I "have fellowshipped with the unfruitful works of darkness rather than expose them" (Ephesians 5:11).
- Forgive me Lord, for my pride and for exalting ourselves, instead of "humbling ourselves that You may exalt us in due time" (1 Peter 5:6, Matthew 23:12).
- **Forgive me** Lord, for always focusing on the speck in my neighbors eye instead of "considering the plank in my own eye" (Matthew 7:3-4).
- **Forgive us** for becoming a nation that says, "I am rich and have become wealthy and have need of nothing," for in our pride we have become "wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked" (Revelation 3:17).
- Forgive me and forgive my nation for coming into agreement with idolatry, promiscuity, fornication, adultery, pornography, prostitution, homosexuality and every form of perversion that has been sacrificed on the altar of "tolerance" (Ex. 20:3-6, 14; Psalm 115:4-8; Matt. 5:27-28, Prov. 6:32; Lev. 20:13; 1 Corin. 6:9; Rom. 1:26-27, 1 Cor. 5:1-5).
- **Forgive me**, our state and nation for not standing stronger against the pro-choice movement and the "hands that shed innocent blood" (Proverbs 6:17b).

- Forgive me for when I talked about another member of the body of Christ allowing the enemy to divert my energies from Your plans and purposes to idol gossip (Leviticus 19:16).
- Forgive me, forgive the state of _____, and forgive our nation's apathy toward abortion and the pro-choice and transgender movements and for not standing with You, our Creator God, in Your original intent for our children (Genesis 1:27).
- Forgive me for when I have wrestled with another believer rather than walking in unity as one in the body of Christ (John 17).
- **Forgive me** for the times I have not stood for righteousness, thus bringing reproach on my state and nation (Proverbs 14:34b).

I acknowledge that "a little leaven, leavens the whole lump (1 Corinthians 5:6). "Cleanse me from my sin, for I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You only have I sinned" (Psalm 51:2-3).

Father, place my sin of passive acceptance under the blood of Your Son, Yeshua.

I proclaim that from this point forward, I will object to and protest the things that You abhor and I will cling to what is good and righteous, demonstrating genuine love for You and Your commandments (Romans 12:9). I will stand up for what is righteous; building our state into Your righteous kingdom (Proverbs 31:9)

MERCY

Now that we have repented and are in right standing with You, we petition You for MERCY over our state and nation.

We know the "time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God" (1 Peter 4:17a). Cleanse the body of Christ so you can bring righteousness to our nation.

For "if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?" (1 Peter 4:17b).

Father, You are "gracious and merciful; slow to anger and great in loving-kindness" (Psalms 145:8). We come into agreement with James 2:13 that "MERCY triumphs over Judgment."

Therefore, we will "come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain MERCY and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16).

We cry out between the porch and the altar, (Joel 2), and say, "Have MERCY on us, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender MERCIES" (Psalm 51:1b).

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

We acknowledge according to Psalm 136 that Creator God never runs out of MERCY! We cry out to access that MERCY on behalf of our nation.

We cry out as did David in Psalm 51 ... "blot out our transgressions according to Your loving-kindness and according to the multitude of Your tender MERCIES."

Today, our hearts stand in repentance and humility asking for Your MERCY covering over the state of _____ and our nation.

"Thou, O Lord, art good and ready to forgive; and plenteous in MERCY unto all them who call upon Thee" (Psalm 86:5). So, we call on You today with broken and contrite hearts, over the sin in our nation.

We declare, "You are a shield to all those who put their trust in You" (Proverbs 30:5) and therefore, we stand armed with Your Word to declare You are the shield for the state of ______ because we put our trust in You.

"Unto Thee, O my strength, will I sing; for my God is our defense and the God of our MERCY." We will sing of Thy power; yea, we will sing aloud of Thy MERCY in the morning; for You are our defense and refuge in the day of trouble" (Psalm 59: 16-17).

We will keep Your commandments and You say, "You show MERCY unto thousands of them that love You and keep Your commandments" (Deuteronomy 5:10).

Jesus, Your blood speaks eternally from the MERCY seat and therefore we receive that MERCY and declare it over the state of and nation.

RIGHTEOUS GOVERNMENT

Important Definition: Acquiescence - passive acceptance or submission; agreement or consent via silence or without objection or protest.

REPENTANCE

Father, we bow before you and acknowledge that America is "wandering aimlessly in the wilderness of godless humanism and moral relativism" (Dutch Sheets – Give Him 15).

We speak the prayer of Abraham Lincoln from March 1863.....

"We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand that preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us."

Abba, we have become a nation that says, "I am rich and have become wealthy and have need of nothing," and in our pride we have become "wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked" (Revelation 3:17).

We humble our hearts and find a place of deep repentance for the times the Church has not stood for righteousness and did not stand against what you are against.

"For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?" (1 Peter 4:17)

You look to the ones who have a "poor and a contrite spirit, and who trembles at Your Word" (Isaiah 66:2b). We repent with a humbled heart as we fear You Lord.

We repent for the times we "have fellowshipped with the unfruitful works of darkness rather than expose them" (Ephesians 5:11).

We proclaim we shall "put away lying, and shall "speak truth with our neighbors" (Ephesians 4:25), even when the truth may not match their worldview.

"He who says to the wicked, 'You are righteous' – the people will curse him; nations will abhor him" (Proverbs 24:24).

You, Jesus, were called a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense (Isaiah 8:14, 1 Peter 2:8). They must know the truth if they are to be set free (John 8:32).

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

"Righteousness [moral and spiritual integrity and virtuous character] exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people" (Proverbs 14:34 AMP).

We declare the Church of America will stand for righteousness and will no longer justify sin & unrighteousness under the guise of "tolerance."

We confess and repent that our silence is passive acceptance and submission to the plans of the enemy. We acknowledge that we cannot expose darkness while we are silent.

Place our sin of passive acceptance under the blood of Your Son, Yeshua. We declare that from this point forward, we will object and protest the things that You abhor and cling to what is good and righteous, thus showing genuine love (Romans 12:9). We will stand up for what is righteous thus building our state into Your righteous kingdom (Proverbs 31:9).

GOVERNMENT

"No government is lawful or innocent that does not recognize the moral law as the only universal law, and God as the Supreme Lawgiver and Judge, to whom nations in their national capacity, as well as individuals, are amenable. The moral law of God is the only law of individuals and of nations, and nothing can be rightful government but such as is established and administered with a view to its support" (Charles Finney).

"The Declaration of Independence laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity" (John Adams). We call forth America's original governmental covenant with Yahweh. "For kingship belongs to the Lord, and He rules over the nations" (Psalm 22:28).

"Now then let the fear of the Lord be upon America; be very careful what you do, for the Lord our God will have no part in unrighteousness or partiality or the taking of a bribe" (2 Chronicles 19:7).

We pray for the fear of the Lord over our nation and over the state of _____.

"When the righteous are in authority and become great, the people rejoice; but when the wicked man rules, the people groan and sigh" (Proverbs 29:2).

When our government walks into apostasy and gross darkness, attempting to mutilate and kill our children, we will fear the Lord and declare that "we must obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29).

Let us be so discontent with the current situation that we grieve for our nation, Lord. Teach us how to weep between the porch and the altar (Joel 2) for our nation, our state, and our children's future.

We speak life over our children. We ask for The Father's identity to be resurrected. As it is written, You created us male and female and we stand against any other false identities.

You Father, gave rulership & governing power to the saints. "Then the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey Him" (Daniel 7:27).

You "make nations great and enlarge nations that follow You" (Job 12:23). America is Yours, Oh God, and we proclaim we will follow You. Make us great again for Your glory Lord.

We ask for You to raise-up righteous men and women in the Church to take their places in our government to bring blessing to our nation and to Israel. Let us "do no unrighteousness and walk in Your ways" (Psalm 119:3).

We proclaim we will "Wait for You Lord, and keep Your ways that You may exalt us to inherit the land" and cut off the wicked (Psalm 37:34).

It is You God, who takes vengeance on those who do evil and do not obey Your Word (2 Thessalonians 1:8). Lord, You "shall endure forever; You have prepared Your throne for judgment. You shall judge the world in righteousness, and You shall administer judgment for the peoples in uprightness" (Psalm 9:7-8).

Father, bring justice to our government so that all that serve there will humble themselves before You or be removed from office. "Execute upon them the judgement written" (Psalm 149:9).

"For the Lord is our judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our king; He will save us" (Isaiah 33:22). We proclaim we will put our trust in You and not in chariots and horses, our military strength or any man or woman in governmental office (Psalm 20:7). We will pray for our leaders but look to You for our salvation as a nation!

We bring forth "supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions [in our government], that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:1-2).

Father, we ask for the righteous to lead in our state and nation, for as it is written, "righteousness exalts a nation" (Proverbs 14:34). We ask that they will "seek wisdom and understanding: Forget it not; neither decline from the words of Your mouth, O God" (Proverbs 4:4).

Father, we pray over our governmental leaders "Let the high praises of God be in their mouth and a two-edged sword in their hands" (Psalm 149:6).

"For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God" (Romans 14:11). We declare that every knee in our government bow before You for wisdom, strength and peace or they shall be removed.

"How blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance" (Psalm 33:12). Let America and Israel be nations whose God is the Lord.

STAND FIRM

BACKGROUND on WATCHMEN and GATEKEEPERS

Watchmen and Gatekeepers are both to be vigilant and alert and their roles are crucial to the protection of the city.

WATCHMEN are to keep watch day and night, watching for anyone approaching the city. Watchmen patrol and guard the city, in a constant state of readiness and alert. They need a keen sense of observation, integrity and prompt responsiveness to all arising issues. They would alert the Gatekeepers to any potential threats or anyone of significance that was approaching by blowing the trumpet.

The spiritual context is more than warning of danger, but guiding others to righteousness and repentance (Matt. 24:42-44). They were tasked with calling upon the Lord, seeking His guidance, and persistently interceding for the well-being of the people. The watchman's role is intimately connected to prayer and intercession. It is through persistent communion with God that the watchman receives divine guidance, discernment, and the ability to effectively fulfill their calling.

GATEKEEPERS were responsible for manning the watch and opening and closing the gates. Gatekeepers had oversight of the gates of the Lord's house/the Temple. Gatekeepers were also tasked with discerning the intent and character of those seeking entrance. They were the first line of defense for the city.

In ancient cultures, gates were more than just points of entry; they were places of business, judgment, and assembly. City gates often served as gathering places where legal decisions were made, disputes were settled, and important messages were conveyed. Gatekeepers had the authority to control access to these public spaces, making their position crucial to both the spiritual and civic life of the community.

The gates of a city or temple symbolized boundaries between sacred and profane, between inside and outside, and between order and chaos. Gatekeepers stood at these boundaries, serving as protectors and enforcers of societal and religious norms.

STAND ON THE WALL

"I have posted WATCHMEN on your walls" [Jerusalem] that you will "never be silent day or night. You who call on the Lord, give yourselves no rest" (Isaiah 62:6). Father, I accept Your call to be a WATCHMAN standing on the wall of my city, day and night. I will exhibit unwavering attention and an acute awareness of the spiritual climate surrounding my city, state and nation.

Being now "reconciled in the body of His flesh through death," I will "continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast; not moved away from the hope of the gospel" so that I may be "holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight" as I take my position on the wall (Colossians 1:22-23).

I declare myself "crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20). "For through Him, I have access by one Spirit to the Father" (Ephesians 2:18).

"Son of man, I have made you a WATCHMAN for the people of Israel; so hear the WORD I SPEAK and give them warning from Me" (Ezekiel 33:7). I will hold fast to Your Word so I may hear Your voice and warn the wicked (Ezekiel 33:8-9).

LORD, I will listen and harken unto YOUR Word, rooted in divine truth. I will not heed the voice of man or look to government for the answers. I will look to YOU and YOUR Word. I will "hold fast the confession of my hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful" (Hebrews 10:23).

Isaiah challenged the WATCHMEN to be actively engaged in their faith, to stand firm in their convictions, and to raise their voices against injustice, falsehood, and spiritual apathy. "Your Word that is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psalm 119:105) and Your Word will show me how to engage in my city.

Therefore, I "shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight; for the Lord will go before me, and the God of Israel will be my rear guard" (Isaiah 52:12). If I move only when You move and go only where You go, I go with Your protection.

Father, I acknowledge that "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it; unless the Lord guards the city, the WATCHMEN stay awake in vain" (Psalm 127:1). For the battle is not mine, but Yours, Lord (2 Chronicles 20:15).

I will declare Your promise of redemption to my community (Ezekiel 33:11) by being salt to the earth and light to the world (Matthew 5:13- 16). I will walk in faith even when I cannot see what You, Lord, are doing behind the scenes.

"For I walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7) as "faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). Therefore, I will "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong" (1 Corinthians 16:13).

"Listen! Your WATCHMEN lift up their voices; together they shout for joy. When the Lord returns to Zion, they will see it with their own eyes" (Isaiah 52:8). Father, I will watch and wait like the five wise virgins, keeping my lamp trimmed with oil, looking for Your coming (Matthew 25).

STAND AT THE GATE

Father, I will prepare myself to stand at the GATES. I will "submit to God, resist the devil and he will flee from me." I will "draw near to God and He will draw near to me." I will "cleanse my hands and purify my hearts" that I be not double-minded (James 4:7-8) and that I "should no longer be tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men" (Ephesians 4:14). I will "pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness" (1 Timothy 6:11).

I recognize that while I stand guard at the GATE, "the Lord is my rock, and my fortress and my deliverer"; (2 Samuel 22:2) "my God, my strength in whom I trust; my buckler and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower" (Psalm 18:2). My soul will "wait silently for God alone, for my expectation is from Him. He is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be moved" (Psalm 62:5-6). Because He is my rock, I can stand firm at the GATE.

Thank You, Father, that You "chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace" (Ephesians 1: 4-6). Thank You, Father, that You have entrusted the city to us as WATCHMEN and GATEKEEPERS.

STATEMENT of WAR

We have not asked for this war against the children and humanity, but if the enemy wants war, we ready ourselves armed with heaven's arsenal and on the shoulders of patriarchal generations before us who knew times and seasons (I Chronicles 12:32).

We stand within the frame of Daniel 2:21 knowing our God is the one who changes times and seasons and it is He who removes kings and sets them in place. It is by Him we receive wisdom and knowledge for the ensuing battle and it is with HIM that you make war.

We will not need to fight in this battle (I Samuel 17:47) but only lift our war cry before the God of all Creation, who does not battle by sword or spear. He will deliver the enemy into our hands.

This battle goes to our Commander who was present in the beginning and knows every strategy of the enemy who comes against us. Our General knows ALL deceptive plans and lies and the legalistic attempt of the enemy to overcome His children.

We acknowledge that as the God of all living told King Ahab of old, that he was to order the battle (I Kings 20:14). We stand now to order this battle on behalf of our King for its execution and sure defeat, on behalf of the children of this nation of America.

Our King is never on defense and has never lost a battle. As King Hezekiah received favor over dark threats, so do we stand now (II Chronicles 32; II Kings 18 & 19).

We position ourselves out of Colossians 3:3; as we are hid with Christ, in God, who is our shield (Ps. 84:11). We call on the Spirit of Might and Counsel (Isaiah 2:1-2; Rev. 5) for all maneuvers of this war. We know our God and therefore, we are strong and do great exploits (Daniel 11:32b) and our boast is in HIM (Jeremiah 9:23 & 24).

We fight armored with the light (Romans 13:12), which darkness does not comprehend (John 1:5). We lay His Kingdom over all evil and its decrees of injustice toward America. This day, we petition the one true God to overcome His enemies.

The Great Commission

Father, today we take up the Great Commission that You set before us. We pray for the lost in our city, county and state to come to know You, the loving and faithful God.

We understand "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few" therefore we pray for "the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Luke 10:2).

We know according to Your Word that "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins [brings] souls is wise" (Proverbs 11:30).

Father, we accept Your call to the Great Commission as outlined in scripture. Holy Spirit we accept the power You offer us to carry out this great call as Your Word says in the book of Acts. "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

We shall testify to both Jew and Gentile fulfilling Your command to us to "...testify to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21).

We shall "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15) "making disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that You have commanded us" (Matthew 28:18-20).

Father, we acknowledge that "...to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin" (James 4:17). Holy Spirit give us power and boldness to tell the world that we have a good, good Father and of the finished work on the cross through Jesus Christ.

Father, we ask that You speak to the hearts of the children, youth, teachers and administrators and let each see their sin according to Your Word.

We stand here united, at _____ school in our county. We pray these scriptures over our children and youth. We pray these scriptures over the teachers and administrators. We ask, Father, that Your Word goes forth over this school and that You draw these children to You. We come into agreement with Isaiah 55:11 and say that Your Word will not return void.

MAY THEY SEE THEIR SIN

"And why call ye Me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46).

"They profess to know God, but by their deeds they deny Him, being detestable and disobedient and worthless for any good deed" (Titus 1:16).

"There is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10).

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

"Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14-15).

MAY THEY SEE THE COST

We thank You, Father, that You sent Your son to pay our debt and the debt of our children, as the cost was too high for us to redeem ourselves.

"For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous" (Romans 5:19).

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

"Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:4-6).

"... it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke 24:46-47 7 Mark 24:46-47).

MAY THEY KNOW GOD'S HEART

We thank You, Father, that Your heart is for us and that You desire that all would turn to You. There is no one You do not love.

"Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all" (1 Timothy 2:4-6).

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

We speak to the students and teachers and say:

"Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

"For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death" (2 Corinthians 7:10).

"I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3).

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death" (Revelation 12:11).

"Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance" (Mark 2:17).

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).

"Seek the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near" Isaiah 55:6).

1 John 1:9: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame" (Romans 10:9-11).

For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:13).

SONSHIP

"There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together" (Romans 8:1, 14-17).

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10). "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

"Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is" (1 John 3:1-2).

"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26) who cannot "die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection" (Luke 20:36), who shall one day "be caught up together with them in the

clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (1 Thessalonians 4:17). "For whatsoever is born of God overcomes the world: and this is the victory that overcomes the world, even our faith" (1 John 5:4).

AMEN!!

For future reference, the Romans Road is below.

Romans Road				
Romans 3:10	"There is none righteous, no, not one."			
Romans 3:23	"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"			
Romans 5:8	"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."			
Romans 5:12	"Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned."			
Romans 6:23	"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."			
Romans 10:9-11	"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."			
Romans 10:13	"For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."			

THE LOVE OF GOD

Father, we repent for seeking LOVE in all the wrong places. You warned in Your Word, "LOVE not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man LOVES the world, the LOVE of the Father is not in him" (1 John 2:15-17). For "He who LOVES his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world, will keep it for eternal life" (John 12:25).

He that LOVES not knows not God; for God is LOVE" (1 John 4:8). "He that saith, I know Him, and keeps not His commandments, is a liar, and the Truth is not in him. But those who keep His Word, in him verily is the LOVE of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in Him" (1 John 2:4-6)." Father, we pray You perfect Your LOVE in us.

His LOVE For Us

Isaiah 53:1-12 (have two people split this and read it aloud)

"Now therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast LOVE with those who LOVE Him and keep His commandments, to a thousand generations" (Deuteronomy 7:9). "You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast LOVE and faithfulness" (Psalms 86:15).

"Greater LOVE hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). "God shows His LOVE for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). "For God so LOVED the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

"God, being rich in mercy, because of the great LOVE with which He LOVED us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ, by grace you have been saved" (Ephesians 2:4-5).

"See what kind of LOVE the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him" (1 John 3:1).

You gave Your son for us, and we LOVE You because You first LOVED us (1 John 4:19).

"For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in LOVE, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height to know the LOVE of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen" (Ephesians 3:14-21).

Our LOVE for One Another

Father, mold us into mature believers who LOVE You by keeping Your commandments and abiding in Your LOVE (John 14:15, 15:9-10). "And this commandment we have from Him: that he who LOVES God must LOVE his brother also" (I John 4:21).

"Let all that we do be done in LOVE" (1 Corinthians 16:14), so that we "Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and BELOVED, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ABOVE ALL THESE PUT ON LOVE, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful" (Colossians 3:12-14).

"Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away" (1 Corinthians 13:4-8).

"Let us LOVE one another, for LOVE is of God; and everyone who LOVES is born of God and knows God" (1 John 4:7, 18). Father, teach us that LOVE comes before all things, even before our prayers. "... be serious and watchful in your prayers. And above all things have fervent LOVE for one another, for LOVE will cover a multitude of sins" (1 Peter 4:7-8).

Father, remind us that LOVE is above all things. It is above our calling, our titles, our gifts, and our good works. "Now faith, hope, and LOVE abide, these three; but the greatest of these is LOVE" (I Corinthians 13:13).

For as it is written: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not LOVE, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not LOVE, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not LOVE, it profits me nothing" (1 Corinthians 13:1-3).

END WITH THIS SONG: (three choices from which to play it)

THE LOVE OF GOD

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iF2hY2T HI
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w2usWGJ7UEY

Or go to Apple Music and search "The love of God by Selah". This version has all three verses.

PRAYER PROCLAMATIONS

Lyrics:

THE LOVE OF GOD by Frederick M. Lehman, 1917

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell; It goes beyond the highest star, and reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His erring child He reconciled, and pardoned from his sin.

Chorus:

Oh, love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forevermore endure. The saints' and angels' song.

Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made, Were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade; To write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry; Nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky.

This added later as 2nd verse...

When ancient time shall pass away, and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall, When men who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call, God's love so sure, shall still endure, all measureless and strong; Redeeming grace to Adam's race. The saints' and angels' song.

UNITY in the CHURCH

"Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Corinthians 1:10). Lord, we thank You that Your word is true. "The entrance of Your word gives light" (Psalm 119:130) and guides our path. We open our hearts to receive Your word.

We pray that Your body, the Church, in (<u>county or state</u>) is "*like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind*" (Philippians 2:2). We will "above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection" (Colossians 3:14).

We pray that the Body of Christ does nothing "through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself" (Philippians 2:3). We will "pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another" (Romans 14:19).

We pray the body of Christ "Be of the same mind toward one another and not set our mind on high things, but associate with the humble and not be wise in our own opinion" (Romans 12:16). We will "endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3).

"For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another" (Romans 12:4-5).

Father, "grant us to be like-minded toward one another, that you may with one mind and one mouth, glorify the God and Father" (Roman 15: 5-7). We acknowledge that Christ is the head and when we follow Him, "the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love" (Ephesians 4:16).

The hand of God was upon the people "to give them singleness of heart to do what the king commanded by the Word of the Lord" (2 Chron 30:12). Father, call Your body into singleness of heart.

We pray that the body of Christ in (county or state) will "walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Eph 4: 1-6).

We proclaim that we will sustain and hold up one another, forgive each other as the Lord has forgiven us, and above all else help us to put on love, which is the bond of perfection according (Colossians 3:13-14).

UNSHAKABLE CHURCH

We stand boldly, in confidence and solidarity across the state of _____ and speak out the Word of God, because "Heaven and earth will pass away, but Your Word will never pass away" (Matthew 24:35).

Father, we acknowledge the arrogance in our nation that we can fix things ourselves. 'Shall the ax boast itself against him who chops with it? Or shall the saw exalt itself against him who saws with it? As if a rod could wield itself against those who lift it up, or as if a staff could lift up, as if it were not wood" (Isaiah 10:15). We humbly repent on behalf of our state and nation and acknowledge that God is our defense (Psalm 7:10).

The Shaking

We say, Jesus, You make the darkness tremble. We pray "the destruction decreed shall overflow with righteousness" (Isaiah 10: 22b) and will result in a strong Church and a righteous nation.

Your Word talks of shaking in Haggai 2 "For thus says the Lord of hosts, 'Once more in a little while, I'm going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea also and the dry land. I will shake all the nations" (vs 6-7).

You state in Hebrews 12, "Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven. Yet once more, indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain" (vs. 26-27).

We acknowledge perilous times may come under your direction, but cry out for MERCY for the righteous and for those who have not complied with wickedness and evil in (state) and in our nation.

The Mounting Army

This shaking is a demonstration that we are in spiritual battle for the (state) and our nation. We stand in agreement with the words of General George S. Patton (Spring 1944), we are not here to just hold ground, but rather, our "plan of operation is advance, advance and keep on advancing whether we have to go over, under, or through."

We take a stance against Babylon (the world system) and will "lift up a banner on the high mountain, raise our voice to them (Isaiah 13:2). For Yahweh you have said, "I have commanded My sanctified ones; I have also called My mighty ones for my anger - Those who rejoice in My exaltation. The noise of the multitude in the mountains, like that of many people. A tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together. The Lord of Hosts musters the army for battle" (Isaiah 13: 3-4).

Firmly Planted

Father, firmly plant the Church on the Rock of ages; the chief cornerstone. For "behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and rock of offense, and whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame" (Romans 9:33). "Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a foundation, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation" (Isaiah 28:16).

We "cast our burdens on Yahweh, He will sustain us; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken" (Psalm 55: 22). "Surely He is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold; I shall not be greatly shaken" (Psalm 62).

"... I have set the Lord continually before me; because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken" (Psalm 16:7).

According to Your Word that the righteous "will never be shaken; the righteous will be remembered forever. He will not fear evil tidings; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord. His heart is established, he will not fear, until he sees his desire upon his enemies" (Psalm 112:6-8).

"Since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear" (Hebrews 12:28).

WATCHMEN

"We made our prayer to our God, and because of them we set a watch against them day and night" (Nehemiah 4:9). Watchmen have taken their place on the walls of (county or state), "all the day and all the night they shall never be silent" (Isaiah 62:6).

Father, You have set us as watchmen for our state and nation. "Upon a watchtower I stand, O Lord, continually by day, and at my post I am stationed whole nights" (Isaiah 21:8). "Set up a standard against the walls of Babylon; make the watch strong; set up watchmen; prepare the ambushes..." (Jeremiah 51:12).

As watchmen, we proclaim we have linked shields with the other states across our nation. We are rebuilding and raising up the foundations of many generations; we are repairing the breaches and restoring the streets of our state and nation (Isaiah 58:12).

As watchmen, we will "be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that our labor is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58). We are "strong and of good courage" and are "not afraid, nor dismayed", for You are with us (Joshua 1:9).

We recognize "the harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few" and therefore, we, as watchmen will pray for "the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

We "commit our works to You that our thoughts will be established" (Prov. 16:3). We acknowledge that it is not by our "might or power, but by Your Spirit" (Zech 4:6) that we can restore and establish your Church in our state and nation.

Father, I ask You to "guide me continually, and satisfy my soul in drought, and strengthen my bones" so that I "shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail" (Isaiah 58:11).

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