

FEDERAL ELECTION PRAYER NOTES

Earlier this year the Lord spoke to me in a vision. I was seated at a board room table. The Lord was at the head of the table. I was attending as a representative of those that pray for government in Australia. The Lord said to me, “You know your prayers have changed the nation.” I answered, “Yes Lord, I do.” He then challenged me with the question, “Well then what kind of government do you want?”

This question was then relayed to the praying people of Australia, and responses sought. The prayer notes that follow represent what the Lord has been speaking to us through his Word and through inspired thought and visions. I hope that you recognise some of the scriptures or phrases that you have contributed. These notes have also been edited and fully endorsed by the leaders of all the national prayer networks in Australia.

This question is challenging, and yet affirming to all of us that have faithfully prayed. When we seek His face, He puts His dreams in our hearts. When we ask according to His Word, He answers. Church, we are seated in heavenly places and God’s hand is ready to move yet again as we pray. We need to take up the challenge and again pray fervently.

As I have prayed, I have placed all our answered prayers back in His hands and asked the Lord to multiply them. A new season is coming and I see greater glory for the Parliament of Australia. The government will rest on Jesus’ shoulders in a greater way. Do not be distracted or discouraged by what you see and hear around you but fast, pray and receive in faith.

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Dear Heavenly Father,

In response to the question that You asked us,

“What kind of government do you want?”

We humbly present these petitions to You, asking in the mighty name of Jesus,

Prayers for the Church

1.

To love You and obey Your laws.

Lev. 26:3-12; Mark 12:29-31; Luke 10:27; Isaiah 62:10

2.

With Your help that we would obey the laws of our nation and respect the authority of its leaders.

Romans 13:1-7; Hebrews 13:17; 1 Peter 2:17

3.

We commit to pray consistently for the Parliament. We repent for our prayerlessness.

1 Tim 2:1-7; 2 Chronicles 7:14; Ephesians 6:10-12

4.

We resolve to be on the alert, stand firm in the faith and walk in holiness. By Your Spirit remove our double standards so that as Christians we do not require a higher standard for leaders than we practise. Teach us to speak blessing over our leaders and the Parliament.

1 Cor 16:13,14; Psalm 51; Romans 12:9,10

5.

Keep us faithful to fulfil our responsibilities to preach the Gospel in the nation and beyond, and not place ungodly expectation upon Government to fulfil our role. However, we ask you to strengthen the spiritual relationship between the church and the Parliament, so that the church may be able to freely preach the gospel.

Matthew 28:18-20; Colossians 1:27-29; Isaiah 61

6.

Help us to arise and attend to the matters which are important to You, including repentance, justice, mercy and righteous anger against evil that has been tolerated. May we rend our hearts, not our garments.

Joel 2:12-17

7.

We thank You for Your faithfulness in the past and believe that greater glory is to come; nothing is too hard for You, dear God. We let go of any anxiety about the outcome of the election.

Jeremiah 32:38-41;33:3

Prayer for the Nation

1.

We ask that Jesus would truly be Lord of Australia and that righteousness would exalt our nation for Your glory. We pray that the fear of the Lord would fall on every person of voting age and that the Lord would lead people as they vote. We pray that our heritage would not be thrown away in this election.

Proverbs 11:11;14:26, 34; Psalm 33:12; Isaiah 9:6,7

2.

We pray that the heart of the nation would hunger for God and turn to You, and in so doing You would bring forth justice and reveal truth to the nation of Australia.

Isaiah 42:1; Psalm 89:14; Amos 5:24

3.

We acknowledge Your majesty over all Creation; that you are above all rule, authority, power, leader or anything else, not only in this world but in the world to come. We commit to being good stewards of its resources.

John1:3; Ephesians 1:21-22; Genesis 1:26-28

4.

We ask You to turn the tide in the media towards righteousness. We declare this to be a new day where You, Lord Jesus, have authority over the airwaves; including radio, television and internet, telephone conversations, whispering in the corridors, as well as printed media.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

5.

We pray that the Father's will and purpose would come to pass in State/Territory and Federal Government relations and that local government would also acknowledge God's sovereignty.

Psalm 2:10,11

6.

We ask for a hedge of protection around the nation's borders that would keep those with evil intent out and welcome those who have genuine need of refuge. Pray that we would acknowledge God as our source of national security.

Job 1:10; Exodus 22:21; Psalm 144:11-15; Proverbs14:26; Psalm 91

7.

Father God, may appointments made by the elected government serve Your Kingdom purpose. E.g. Governors-General, High Court judges, ambassadors, the public service and the Defence Force.

Psalm 106:3; Exodus 18:21

Prayer for Individual Members of Parliament

1.

We humbly pray that every member elected to the Senate and House of Representatives would be of God's choosing. We pray the precious blood of Jesus over every seat. We pray that the Lord would use for His purposes even those who consistently oppose the Word of God.

Daniel 2:21; Colossians 1:17-20

2.

We also pray that those elected would act justly, love mercy and walk humbly before You our God; that they would be willing to admit and face the consequences of their mistakes and have the courage to follow the convictions of their heart. We ask You, God for leaders that would fear the Lord and whose trust in You would be stronger than any fear of their enemies.

Micah 6:8; Proverbs 1:7; 22:4; Joshua 1:6

3.

Ask God for righteous people with integrity of heart and good motives; not driven by lust for power or personal gain.

1 Chronicles 29:17, 19; Proverbs 11:20; 12:17; 29:2,4

4.

Pray also that our leaders would be approachable, kingdom minded people who will serve the nation in humility as though they were serving God. Pray that they will align themselves with God's purpose. Father God we also ask for wise men and women who can discern the times we live in and know what to do; like the sons of Issachar.

Psalms 1:1-3; Mark 9:35; 1 Chronicles 12:32

5.

We pray that there would always be faithful Christians in Parliament until the Lord's return. We ask that You would always remember them and use them to protect and save our nation. We ask for protection from evil intent for the families of members of Parliament.

Genesis 18:23-32; Isaiah 6:12-13; 1 Samuel 2:30; Nehemiah 7:2

6.

Father God we pray for MPs that respect themselves and others and whose word can be trusted; those who are honest, faithful and bold; those that would highly respect God's Word. We ask that they also understand their personal accountability to God for their actions and words, and the power of the tongue.

Proverbs 17:7, 18:21; Ecclesiastes 9:17,18

7.

Please give us good listeners who can hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying. We pray also for a Godly fear over words spoken in Parliament; that negative words about opponents would diminish and disappear.

Proverbs 13:3; 15:26; 16:13; Colossians 4:6; Jeremiah 18:9,10

Prayer for the Government

1.

Father God, we ask for a Prime Minister who will not compromise but will lean on You, walk in Your ways with discernment, integrity and courage; leaders like Cyrus and Daniel who encouraged the work of God.

2 Chronicles 26:22-Ezra 1:8; Ezra 5:13-6:4; Isaiah 44:28-45:13; Daniel 6:1-5

2.

Knowing that nothing is too difficult for You, we request a government that will pray together; a cabinet and outer ministry that will ask God for wisdom, enabling them to walk with breadth of vision that extends the foresight of our founding fathers for the long term welfare of the nation. We ask You, God for people who know they must surround themselves with wise counsel. Please grant us a shadow ministry that will bring a positive influence to the process of governance.

Proverbs 3:5-7; 11:14; 12:15; 19:20; 2 Chronicles 1:10; Ephesians 1:17-19

3.

We desire that decisions made regarding our national wealth would serve Your purpose and plans for Australia. We also ask for alliances with other nations that are directed by God, including support and blessing of Israel. We also ask for a Godly treasurer like Joseph.

Genesis 12:3; Proverbs 11:24, 25; Matthew 25:31-40

4.

We pray for a government that will uphold the Christian values on which the nation is based and that they would be immovable. Heavenly Father we ask for a government that would make Your laws, including the Ten Commandments, the foundation of our laws. We pray that our government will not deny our Christian heritage in order to show tolerance to other faiths and minorities. We ask that Parliament will keep moral integrity in administration and have courage to uproot unrighteous laws.

Exodus 20:3-17; Proverbs 25:5; Isaiah 22:22

5.

We also ask God for leaders that will defend and speak up for the weak including the poor, widowed, fatherless and helpless, including the unborn.

Proverbs 29:7,14; 31:8; Isaiah 1:17; Zechariah 7:9, 10; Psalm 139:14-16

6.

We pray that the balance of power in the Senate would rest in God's hands. Proverbs 21:1

7.

We pray that Parliament would honour and defend the Christian foundations of our nation; including an unerring commitment to the upholding of the Constitution as well as Christian prayer in Parliament and services of national significance. We pray for legislation to be preserved, implemented and extended to uphold Godly Christian values which will permeate and affect our society for good. Eg marriage, industrial relations, pornography, abortion etc.

Matthew 19:4-6; Hebrews 13:4