

How You Can PRAY for Your Missionary...

Pre-trip Prayers

As your missionary prepares for their trip, they may experience different obstacles that try to keep them from going. These are some specific things you can pray to stand in the gap for them.

- Against a spirit of fear that would try to cause anxiousness or doubt about God's calling for them to go
- **Provision for funding,** God to provide from unexpected places
- **Boldness** to ask people to partner with them and to pray and give
- Prepared heart, for God to reveal in their hearts any unconfessed sin, they would have a willing spirit, and be teachable
- Against a spirit of Procrastination and to meet their deadlines

Day 1 Travel/Training

Your missionary will begin early and meet in Tulsa for training and then drive to Enid

- **Focus** on the mission ahead and not distractions from home.
- Fearlessness from stepping into the unknown and boldly proclaiming the Gospel 2 Timothy 1:7
- **Protection** from any traveling issues with vans, other vehicles, weather, etc.
- **Connection** with new team members as they travel.
- Heart ready to worship and learn as the group gathers for discipleship and training.
- Ears to Hear and receive teaching that will challenge their comfort, culture, and half-truths.

Desire for the Truth would increase in their heart and that their eyes would be opened to the need for more Truth in their lives.

DAY 2 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for Divine Appointments.

Ask God to set up divine appointments and open doors for ministry that only He can make possible.

"Pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains.

Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should." – Colossians 4:3-4

- **Anointing** *Luke 4:18*
- **Boldness** Acts 28:31
- Release of control Proverbs 3:5-6

Lastly pray for **Open Hearts.** Like the seeds that fell on fertile soil in the Parable of the Sower, ask the Lord to make fertile ground and prepare hearts to receive the gospel.

"I will give them a heart to know Me, that I am the Lord. They will be My people, and I will be their God, for they will return to Me with all their heart." – Jeremiah 24:7

DAY 3 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for a **Spirit of Encouragement**.

Pray against discouragement, disappointment, fear, and doubt. Ask the Lord to bring people across their path who would encourage and uplift them.

"Surely the righteous will never be shaken; they will be remembered forever. They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord." – Psalm 112:6-7

- **Discernment** Hebrews 5:14
- Filled with faith Matthew 17:20

Lastly pray for a Spirit of Salvation to come to every site and for people to call on the name of Jesus to save them.

"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day." - John 6:44

DAY 4 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin praying for a Willing Spirit

Pray against a lazy or lethargic spirit. Ask the Lord to strengthen their spirit to push through tiredness and give them a spirit that is willing and flesh to follow.

"Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit." - Psalms 51:12

- Open Doors Colossians 4:3
- Favor with Authorities Proverbs 21:1

Lastly pray for **Provision**. As you venture out to do God's work, you become increasingly aware that your needs outweigh your resources. Would you pray for God to grant favor with authorities and other city Gate-Keepers.

"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." – Philippians 4:19

DAY 5 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Strength and Perseverance

Missionaries can often feel as though they've sown much with little harvest. Pray for their strength and endurance to run the race — that the Lord would remind them He is working deep in hearts even when it seems like nothing is happening.

"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." – Isaiah 40:31

- Eyes to See the Unseen 2 Corinthians 4:18
- Words Would Be Given as They Proclaim the Gospel Ephesians 6:19

Lastly pray for Compassion. As your missionary works on different service projects and revitalizing the community, ask for God to give them compassion for the "least of these".

"So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;" - Colossians 3:12

DAY 6 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin praying for a Growing and Intimate Relationship with Jesus

As you spend time on the mission field, you can sometimes think that doing ministry is enough to sustain you. Pray for God to grow the desire in them to push deeper in the Word and have more intimacy with Jesus during prayer time.

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me." - John 15:4

- Barriers Would Be Broken & Strongholds Would Be Exposed and Crushed 2 Corinthians 10:4
- Sensitivity to The Holy Spirit Acts 2:17

Lastly, pray for Vulnerability in Discipleship Groups as they bring light to the dark places of their hearts. As the Holy Spirit convicts them through reading of the scriptures and spending time in His presence, that they would encourage one another and hold each other accountable.

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work." - 2 Timothy 3:16-17

DAY 7 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Protection and Safety.

Pray for your missionaries' safety and protection. Ask the Lord to protect them against illness, injury, distractions, and danger.

"The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore." - Psalm 121:8

- Stand Firm Against the Opposition of the Enemy Ephesians 6:11
- Satan's Opposition Would Be Stopped Isaiah 54:17
- Clarity in Communication James 1:19

Lastly, pray that **Darkness Would Be Pushed Back.** Missionaries walk boldly into some of the darkest areas of the earth. They confront spiritual and physical oppression that we can't imagine. Pray that the light of God would shine through them, pushing back darkness and oppression as they share the Gospel.

"The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners." – Isaiah 61:1

DAY 8 Ministry / Discipleship

Begin by praying that Each Missionary Would Be Filled with The Holy Spirit and Power.

As God gives the team divine encounters, pray the team would be filled with the Holy Spirit to connect with each person exactly where they are. The power and anointing they receive will equip them to speak directly to the person's heart they are ministering to. "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." - Acts 1:8

- Transformation would happen in each team member 2 Corinthians 3:18
- Each student would continue to embrace their God given purpose beyond this mission Ephesians 2:10

Lastly, pray for **Joy in Trials.** The joy of the Lord is our strength! Pray that the joy of the Lord will sustain your missionary in every trial and setback.

"Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them." – Psalm 126:5-6

DAY 9 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for a Spirit of Boldness

After being on the field for a while, your missionary can start to feel defeated, weary, or homesick. Pray for God to fill them with boldness and courage as they share the Gospel.

"And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are My people." - Acts 18:9-10

- Strength to battle through feelings of homesickness Hebrews 13:5
- Peace and assurance that God is taking care of their family back home 1 Peter 5:7

Lastly, pray for a **Servant's heart.** Just as Christ humbled himself and took on the nature of a servant, so must each one of us. Pray for God to give the team the nature of a servant, learning to serve one another without agenda.

"Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men." - Philippians 2:5-7

DAY 10 Free Day

Begin by praying for **Rest**

Even as the team has a day of rest, pray that God would refresh them, encourage them, and renew their strength.

"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." - Matthew 11:28

- **Divine Encounters** *Luke 10:30-35*
- Unity as the new team comes and joins for the next week of the trip

Lastly, ask the Holy Spirit to help them Process all they have experienced on this trip. That the Holy Spirit would continue to help them articulate their stories and build their testimonies.

"He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings you will find refuge; His faithfulness is a shield and buckler." - Psalms 91:4

DAY 11 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Open doors and hearts

Every place where your missionary goes, pray for there to be open doors, ears, and hearts to hear the Gospel. Pray for God to give them favor as they take back what belongs to God.

"At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison" - Colossians 4:3

- God to be a shield of protection *Psalm 84:11*
- God's strength for His servants Psalm 86:16-17

Lastly, pray for a **Thirst and Hunger for the things of God.** Taste and see that the Lord is good. The more time your missionary spends in the presence of God, the more the things of this world fade away. Pray for God to fuel that thirst and hunger in them. "Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands" - Psalm 63:3-4

DAY 12 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for a Deeper Understanding for the Word

Your missionary will be in the Word every day. ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the Truth through the Word and to give them a deeper understanding for what the scriptures are saying.

"When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come." - John 16:13

- Your missionary would resist any temptation from the enemy James 4:7
- Team unity and to encourage one another Colossians 2:2-3

Lastly, pray for **Complete Surrender to Christ.** Pray for your missionary to be yielded to Christ and willing to die to self in all matters.

"And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it." - Mark 8:34-35

DAY 13 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Seeing the Unseen

Pray for God to open the eyes of your missionary to see the unseen. When they feel surrounded, or defeated, pray God would reveal His mighty presence always around them

"He said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." Then Elisha prayed and said, 'O Lord, please open his eyes that he may see.' So the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha" - 2 Kings 6:16-17

- To be a vessel of God's love Romans 5:5
- To be Salt and Light to the World Matthew 5:13-14

Lastly, pray for a **Plentiful Harvest.** The word will not fall void, as your missionary fulfills the good works God has prepared for them, pray the harvest would be plentiful.

"We have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God" - Colossians 1:9-10

DAY 14 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Strength and Stamina

Pray for God to give them strength and not to grow weary in doing good. Ask the Lord to sustain them in their weakness. "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might." - Ephesians 6:10

- Walk in the Authority Given to them by Christ Matthew 28:18
- Filled with the Holy Spirit Ephesians 5:18-19

Lastly, pray for the Glory of God to be shown. As your missionary goes into the different ministry sites, into shops, eating a meal, may they reflect the Glory of God.

"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved"

- 1 Corinthians 10:31-33

DAY 15 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Transparency

Pray for God to help your missionary to be transparent with their team. To live authentically calling to light undealt with sins, to talk about the things God is teaching them, and to live without condemnation, for there is no condemnation in Christ.

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death." - Romans 8:1-2

- Behaviors of old to be changed Romans 12:2
- Spiritual pride would be broken *Proverbs* 16:18-19

Lastly, pray for the team to Walk in a Spirit of Humility. Pray for a spirit of vulnerability and humility among the team, from the leadership to each of the students. That as they walk in transparency and humility, God would change their hearts to reflect more of Him.

"Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." - 1 Peter 5:5

DAY 16 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Spirit of Thankfulness

As your missionary experiences God move daily, they can sometimes take for granted all that God is doing. Pray for God to remind them of His faithfulness of getting them to where they are today. That your missionary would have a heart of thanksgiving and gratitude as they walk throughout their day today.

"Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations." - Psalm 100:4-5

- Comfort in times of loneliness *Isaiah 51:12-16*
- Call out Spiritual Gifts 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Lastly, pray for God given purpose. As the team nears the end of their trip, pray for God to reveal in them their God-sized purpose. Pray your missionary would see why they were placed in this time, with these people, in their community, and for what purpose. "For Scripture says to Pharaoh: "I raised you up for this very purpose, that I might display My power in you and that My name might be proclaimed in all the earth" - Romans 9:17

DAY 17 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for Salvation (your missionary to lead someone to Jesus)

Pray that as your missionary goes out to share the Gospel, that each person they speak to would have open ears to hear the Good News and open hearts to receive Christ. That each word would not fall on rocky soil but would be sown deep in their hearts.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with Me" - Revelation 3:20

- Christ like Compassion Matthew 15:32
- Love for one another John 13:34

Lastly, pray for the Holy Spirit to help them articulate. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help your missionary put their story into words. Ask God to help them capture the essence of the experience and to articulate how God worked in each situation.

It has seemed good to me to show the signs and wonders that the Most High God has done for me. - Daniel 4:2

DAY 18 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for the Team's Leadership

The trip is nearing the end, and everyone is tired. Pray for the team's leaders to have continued patience and wisdom on how to handle all situations. Ask God to renew their strength for the last few days.

"but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." - Isaiah 40:31

- Renewed awakening for the 4 AWE Factors (Word, Prayer, Fellowship, Worship) Acts 2:42-47
- Right place/right time/right people *Proverbs 3:5-6*

Lastly, pray for God to Tear down walls in their heart (against a resistant spirit). Pray against any kind of resistant spirit that your missionary or their team may have. Pray that God would reveal where they need to confess any sin, ask for forgiveness, or just call out the enemy for who he is.

"Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings." - 1 Peter 5:8-9

DAY 19 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for the Team to be an encouragement for local believers

"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." - Hebrews 10:24-25

- Expansion of the Church Acts 2:46-47
- Increased Faith to trust God with the hidden things in their hearts *Proverbs 3:5*

Lastly, pray your missionary would be Filled with Renewed Boldness to share the Gospel even when they are tired.

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance." - James 1:2-3

DAY 20 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for God to ignite a greater passion to be obedient to God's word

"You shall therefore love the Lord your God and keep His charge, His statutes, His rules, and His commandments always."
- Deuteronomy 11:1

- Experience new levels of the AWE of God Psalm 27:4
- Intimacy James 4:8

Lastly, pray God would give your missionary a stronger **Distaste for the things of the world.** Pray that Jesus is and always will be more than enough in their lives and that the things of this world wouldn't even tempt their satisfaction in Jesus.

"Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you. Ponder the path of your feet; then all your ways will be sure. Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil." - Proverbs 4:25-27

DAY 21 Ministry /Discipleship.

Begin by praying for your Missionary to be filled with Empathy.

Ask for God to help your missionary see and feel what the residents live with every day.

"For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." - Galatians 5:14

- Your missionary would be a blessing in the community 1 Thessalonians 5:11
- Anointed lips to speak life into hopeless situations *Ephesians 4:29*

Lastly, pray God would use your missionary as the **Hands and Feet of Jesus.** Everywhere your missionary walks, everything they do represents the gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray God would use them to bring light into the dark places.

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" Isaiah 52:7

DAY 22 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for a Spirit of Revival

Pray that not only would your missionary walk in a renewed sense of AWE and a sense of revival in their heart, but that the community they will be in will be covered in a revival spirit.

"Will you not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?" - Psalm 85:6

- Unity among all church leaders and fellow Christians Psalm 133:1
- A renewed sense of urgency to share the gospel without fear Romans 1:16

Lastly, pray King Jesus to be highly exalted and become the idol-crushing King in the lives of the team and people they come in contact with. As people give their lives to Jesus and ask Him to be King over their life, that idols and strongholds would be crushed in His Name.

"For they themselves report about us what kind of a reception we had with you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God" - 1 Thessalonians 1:9

DAY 23 Free Day

Begin by praying for Rest.

Even as the team has a day of rest, pray that God would refresh them, encourage them, and renew their strength.

"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." - Matthew 11:28

- Focus Colossians 3:2
- Maintain a missional mindset 1 Peter 1:13

Lastly, ask the Holy Spirit to help them Process all they have experienced on this trip. That the Holy Spirit would continue to help them articulate their stories and build their testimonies.

"He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler." - Psalms 91:4

DAY 24 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for travel mercies as they locate to the next community.

Ask God to anoint your missionaries conversations as they walk and place a shield of protection around them.

"For the LORD will go before you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard." - Isaiah 52:12

- Protection from any travelling issues with the vans, trucks, and trailers
- Reminded of God's faithfulness to sustain them throughout the trip
- Divine Encounters along the road

Lastly, pray for **Connections to deepen with their team members**. You become close on the trip. Pray God would deepen those relationships and strengthen them even as the trip nears the end.

"Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another" - Romans 12:10

DAY 25 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying against any barriers or distractions.

Ask God to remove any barriers or distractions that not only keep your missionary from hearing from God or becoming numb to His voice, but also to remove any barriers keeping those in the community from hearing and receiving the Truth of Jesus. Pray against double-mindedness.

"He is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways." - James 1:8

- Against spiritual pride *Proverbs* 11:2
- Filled with compassion and inclusion Romans 12:16

Lastly, pray God would command His army angels charge over every home in the community your missionary is serving.

"No weapon that is formed against you will prosper; and every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their vindication is from Me," declares the Lord." - Isaiah 54:17

DAY 26 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for the community leaders.

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for all people, for kings and all those in authority, that we may live in peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." - 1 Timothy 2:1

- Favor with community leaders your missionary will talk with *Proverbs 3:4*
- Your missionary to be an encouragement to local leaders in different ministries 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Lastly, pray God would give your missionary opportunities to share with government officials. As your missionary speaks to different people in the community, pray that God would open the doors to talk with government officials and other gatekeepers to the communities to have a ripple effect for the future.

"But I will remain in Ephesus until Pentecost; for a wide door for effective service has opened to me, and there are many adversaries." 1 Corinthians 16:9

DAY 27 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for sustaining peace.

Pray that the God of all peace would guard the heart and mind of your missionary as they engage with people and share the gospel.

"Now may the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance. The Lord be with you all!"

- 2 Thessalonians 3:16

- Holy Spirit to pour out a Spirit of Peace in every anxious situation Psalm 23
- Your missionary would be a host to the Prince of Peace Isaiah 9:6

Lastly, pray God to renew your missionary's strength not to grow weary. As your missionary has been faithfully serving for the past 26 days, ask God to give them a fresh wind of strength from the Holy Spirit. That they would finish stronger than when they started.

"Yet those who wait for the LORD will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary." - Isaiah 40:31

DAY 28 Ministry /Discipleship

Begin by praying for Lasting Fruit.

That your missionary will grow in living the lifestyle of a missionary in every area of their life. Ask the Lord to show them how they can boldly share the gospel in their school, campus, work, friendships, and family members.

"You did not choose Me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will remain—so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He will give you." – John 15:16

- Desire to be intentional & missional in sharing the Gospel at home.
- Eyes to See Divine Encounters in their school, campus, workplace, friendships, & family relationships.

Lastly, pray that their experience would be a Window to the World for other Christians to be challenged to Go.

"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 5:16

Day 29 Debriefing

Begin praying for Anointed Speech

They experienced a lot of things on this trip. Pray for God to bring to help them articulate all the amazing things God did this trip. "My mouth will tell of Your righteous acts, of Your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge. With the mighty deeds of the Lord God I will come; I will remind them of Your righteousness, Yours alone" - Psalm 71:15-16

- Their Spiritual Growth would deepen and widen.
- Minds enlarged to process all they have experienced, seen, felt, heard, studied while on the trip

Lastly, pray for their **Return to The Mission Field.** Students have more opportunity than any age group to go and use their time out of school for Gospel Advancement. Pray that God continues to call them to invest their school holiday breaks, summers, vacation and future in the furtherance of the gospel to all nations!

Then He said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest." - Matthew 9:37-38

As They Return Home

When your missionary returns home, they will experience many different things. They experienced and witnessed God move in mighty ways on their trip. They were part of a united community together for one goal. Ask them to share stories with you. Pray for them, encourage them

- Steadfastness to stay in the course God set before them
- Faithfulness to remain in the AWE FACTORS
- **Boldness** to share all God has done on their trip
- Come Against Feelings of Loneliness as they transition back into daily life
- Divine Encounters and the eyes to see them and to walk with a heartbeat of obedience