



Prayer Calendar for the Prayer Coordinator

Below is a suggested Prayer Calendar to be used for the three months prior to a regional Finishers Forum. It was taken from the email messages of Johanna Stahl for the Mid-Atlantic Forum. She has given us permission to use her prayer lists as suggested guidelines for future forums. Please feel free to adjust any part of it as you see fit.

The Prayer Coordinator should provide a prayer list to the Local Committee and to the prayer teams of the supporting and participating churches each week, if possible. The Prayer Coordinator will need to be given a list of those churches with the name, phone number, and especially an email address for the contact person. He/she should be updated weekly as more churches participate.

PRAYER COORDINATOR NOTES

The following email messages are suggested guidelines for weekly prayer lists to be distributed by the Finishers Forum Prayer Coordinator.

WEEK #12: Suggested Introduction (12 weeks **prior to** the forum)

Dear Friends: (Local Committee & Prayer List Recipients)

I would like to compile a prayer list to send by e-mail and get us united on the specifics. The plan book suggests that each of you, in your areas of responsibility, send prayer requests to me for distribution weekly.

In addition, a “corporate time of prayer” will be added to our meeting agenda. That prayer time will include - but not be limited to - the latest prayer list. (I will bring copies for everyone to the meeting.) For the most part, I want to avoid taking time to talk about what we are going to pray about, so that we can spend the entire time set apart in prayer. Let’s pray our answers as praise!

I suggest we set specific prayer goals for sponsoring churches, participating churches and attendance. I know you are already praying, and we are seeing answers already, don’t you agree?

(Salutation),

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

WEEK #11: EMAIL SUBJECT: Prayer List for Finishers Forum

Begin by praising the Lord for what He has begun, and what He will accomplish.

Requests:

1. That this conference will identify new workers for the harvest field for each ministry involved.
2. That we have at least _____ sponsoring churches and _____ participating churches by _____(date).
3. That we would max out our attendance – 300 potential new workers.
4. That God will fill all the various volunteer needs for the conference.
5. That we would see at least half the conference delegates making a clear decision regarding their next step in ministry.

(Salutation)

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

WEEK #10

Jeremiah 33:3 "Call unto Me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."

Please pray for:

At least _____ sponsoring churches and _____ participating churches to make the _____ city forum possible.

Pray for 300 people to attend, to explore God's call to ministry service, and to commit to the next step.

Pray that all churches contacted would be excited about the concept and share it with their congregations.

Pray for radio and print media to give the forum in _____(city) prime spots.

Pray for other organizations (Christian book stores, seminaries, Bible schools) to promote the forum, as well.

Pray that the results would have a significant impact on the spread of the Gospel to all people groups.

(Salutation)

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

WEEK #9

Dear Friends,

Godly leadership has been God's good gift from Noah, Moses, Abraham – the list goes on throughout history. So let us pray this week for the leadership of this event:

For Don Parrott, who is the steward for the Finishers Project. For those who serve on his board, for those in the office.

For _____ the Local Forum Coordinator, who is advising/coaching the local planning committee. Pray for his office staff members.

For _____ and _____, who will speak at the plenary sessions.

For the members of the Local Committee.

Pray for eyes to see, ears to hear, hearts to be in tune with God's purposes for this event.

Pray for the servant attitude of the Lord Jesus Christ to express itself through them.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to encourage, inspire and empower their preparation.

Pray for abundant fruitfulness to crown their efforts.

Pray for the Lord to help them set wise priorities, and to stretch their time.

Pray for good health for themselves and their families.

(Salutation),

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

WEEK #8

Matthew 2:36-38 "When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.'"

1. Lord of the harvest, use this Finishers Forum to send forth workers into the harvest field, to reach the unreached, to minister hope to suffering children, to work alongside nationals to complete the Great Commission, and to meet the physical and spiritual needs in our community.
2. Father, we ask You to fill the need for volunteers to make this Forum run smoothly.
3. Father, we depend on You to keep those with responsibilities for planning, developing support, and recruiting participants united in purpose, servants in spirit, and whole-hearted in carrying out assignments.
4. Father, we thank you for each supporting and participating church, and ask You to bring our support base to completion.
5. Father, we thank you for the registrations already in, and ask You to spread the word about this forum beyond our ability to ask. Give us favor with the media. Create an excitement that promotes a wide sharing of information.
6. Father, we ask You to fill _____(Host Church) to overflowing with those whose passion is to use the rest of their lives in carrying Your Light into the dark places in our world.
7. Father, would You set the standard of excellence before every part of the forum, and overrule where weak flesh may fail. May the speakers, musicians, registrars, audio team, video team, caterers – everyone associated with the

forum experience a special anointing of Your Spirit as they do the work You have called them to do.

(Salutation),

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

WEEK #7

Let us pray this week for those individuals who will be giving testimonies during the forum:

(Make a list of the testimony topics with the names of the individuals who will be giving the testimony)

Continue to pray for churches to become financially involved as supporting and participating churches.

Pray that word about the conference reaches those God is calling to second careers in ministry. Pray for more churches to promote the forum, pray for the media to publish the forum widely, and pray for an enthusiastic groundswell of word of mouth information to build.

(Salutation),

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

Week #6

Dear Friends,

As we add new church contacts to our prayer list, we praise God for adding to our numbers - and pray that it will soon be daily! Thank you for passing these prayer requests along to your staff and membership.

1. Pray that the Lord will fill _____ (Host Church) with 300 attendees, with at least 150 making commitments toward a second career in ministry.
2. Pray that our press releases find favor with the media, for coverage that is both "deep" and "wide."
3. Pray that church staff people will promote the Forum enthusiastically, not only to their congregations, but to other congregations in their sphere of influence.

(Salutation),

(Name) Prayer Coordinator

WEEK #5

This week let us focus our thoughts and prayers on specific details of the Finishers Forum and ask God to work in all areas so that more laborers will be able to go forth.

1. Pray that the workshops on Saturday would satisfy the needs of those who attend and pray that the Lord will prepare the members of the panels.
2. Pray for the speakers, worship leaders, musicians and those giving testimonies. Pray that their messages will clearly communicate God's call to those attending.
3. Pray for the logistics - registration, church set-up, audio-visual, displays, lunch - for smoothness and excellence in every detail.
4. Pray that in all things relating to the Forum, the Lord is honored and glorified.

(Salutation & Name, Prayer Coordinator)

Week #4

We have all eternity in which to celebrate our victories, but we have only one brief hour before the sunset in which to win the lost for Christ. Robert Moffat, missionary, statesman, and pioneer into inland Africa in the 19th Century.

1. Praise the Lord for encouraging us to approach His throne with our requests, and promising to hear and answer.
2. Praise Him for the sponsoring, participating, and promoting churches already identified, and that He will add to those numbers. Pray that each one will use every opportunity to spread information about the forum.
3. Praise Him for the _____ registrations already in, and that He will add _____ more in order to max out our capacity.
4. Praise Him for the _____ ministry agencies that will participate with displays, and pray that their involvement will yield workers for each agency.
5. Praise Him for those serving even now in the administration, planning, and support of the forum. Pray that He crowns their efforts with excellence, smoothness and joy. Pray that they see and understand the fruits of their labors.
6. Praise Him for the speakers, musicians, platform participants and panel members. Pray for the Holy Spirit to anoint their thoughts, preparation and delivery.
7. Praise Him for our host church. Pray for every aspect of their planning to go better than imagined, and for a unique blessing for them as a result of their hospitality.

Thank you all for praying and spreading this list to your sphere of influence!

(Salutation & Name)

WEEK #3

Luke 11:9 "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."

1. Praise Him for all that has been given, found, and opened in answer to our prayers thus far. For all those praying and participating. For those already registered - some from great distances.
2. Pray for good weather for the conference.
3. Pray for 300 registrants whom God is calling to serve Him in His harvest fields to attend. We seek 50% to commit to taking the next step toward a career in ministry.
4. Pray that media doors will open for very effective promotion of the forum.
5. Pray that He will bring to the minds of those responsible, all the details necessary for excellence and smoothness with regard to logistics - audio, catering, hospitality, registration, etc.
6. Pray for His direction and anointing for everyone speaking from the platform or involved in a panel and for the musicians.
7. Pray for a special blessing for _____, Forum Coordinator and _____ Church, the host church.

(Salutation & Name)

Week #2

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

As we rejoice in Christ's resurrection, let us also take greater responsibility toward fulfilling the Great Commission.

As the Forum approaches, let us spend the next two weeks praying variations on the prayer of Jabez, found in 1 Chronicles 4:9-10

"Now Jabez was more honorable than his brothers...."

1. Lord, we want your bigger vision for our own lives. We ordinary people desire to do extraordinary things for you in this Forum.
2. We ask for "more honorable people" to register and attend – those who want to spend themselves in extraordinary service to you.

"Oh, that you would bless me indeed...."

3. If we get too specific about this, Lord, we will limit You. So bless us a lot! Abundantly above all we can ask or think. In our lives and in the lives of those who attend. In the impact this Forum will have on Your kingdom.

"and enlarge my territory...."

4. Give Finishers, each ministry agency represented, each person who attends more ministry. Open doors of opportunity so wide that we will know only You could have done it.
5. At the same time, put in place the resources necessary to walk through those doors. Resources of prayer, people, finances - whatever it is going to take for each person/agency.

"that Your hand would be with me...."

6. We know we are doomed to failure unless You intervene on our behalf. Keep us remembering that we are utterly dependent upon You alone. Fill us (planning committee, speakers, musicians, church plant team, audio techs, workshop leaders and panel members, caterers) with Yourself – Your Spirit - so that we are equal to the tasks You set before us.

"and that You would keep me from evil, that I might not cause pain."

7. Give us an attitude of servanthood - Your stewards in ministry, that our hearts may be right. Keep evil away from us - from problems of computer viruses and illnesses to weather or highway construction issues.

"So God granted him what he requested." Amen and Amen!

(Salutation & Name)

Week #1

Almost one third of the world does not have God's message, much less this sure and certain hope. The Finishers Forum is vitally important for these people. Let us pray fervently in these last days of preparation.

Following Jabez' example, let's pray that He will bless us a lot! Pray that the registrations will exceed our imagination. Pray that the speakers will be given powerful words for everyone present - even those who are "behind the scenes." Pray for His Holy Spirit to be abundantly present and active in our midst.

Pray for territories to be extended - that all those present will leave the Forum eager for more responsibility and influence in extending the kingdom of God, and that they will trust ALMIGHTY God to work through them to accomplish "great exploits" for Him (Daniel 11:32b). Pray that new workers for the harvest fields will extend the vision and influence of the ministry agencies involved in the Forum.

Pray that His hand will be on us. Pray especially for _____ Church, and those with leadership responsibilities, for the registration process, for the audio, video, catering, church set-up, etc. Pray for those who will give testimonies and those presenting workshops. Pray for last minute preparations. Pray that He will bring to our

minds anything we have overlooked. Pray for excellence in every detail of the weekend - that He may be glorified in all our lives.

Pray that He will keep the evil one away from everyone and everything associated with this weekend, and keep everyone and everything away from the strategies of the evil one. Pray for good health for everyone, for travel safety, for smoothness and order to prevail. Pray that any obstacles will be overcome, so that everyone the Lord has called to be at the Forum will get there.

Praise God for inviting, hearing and promising to answer our prayers. Praise Him for all He has provided for this weekend, and praise Him for all those He is bringing and all He will accomplish. **"So God granted him what he requested."**

(Salutation & Name)

FOLLOW-UP MESSAGE (week after Forum)

Dear Praying Friends,

Especially for any of you who were not in attendance, let us assure you that your prayers were abundantly answered.

PTL that God was present in each speaker, in the atmosphere, in the hearts and minds of those who attended.

PTL for the smoothness and excellence of the entire program. How we praise Him for _____ Church and the servant attitude of their staff and congregation.

PTL for the "safe environment" for those who were exploring God's call on their lives.

PTL for the _____ attendees, _____ ministry reps, and _____ ministries that participated.

PTL for those who have committed to taking the next step toward serving Him in the mission field.

And PTL for the Finishers organization and for their vision.

He heard our Jabez prayer - He blessed us alot! Territories were expanded! His hand was on us! He kept us from evil and kept evil from us!

What a blessing it has been to be part of the planning and the prayer outreach for this event. The next city forum will be in _____(city) in _____(month), _____(year). Encourage your friends in that area to visit the website: <www.finishers.org > and get the word out in their churches.

(Name), Prayer Coordinator
(City) Finishers Forum