



Theme for 2026: Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations

"Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples."

1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB

The National Day of Prayer exists to mobilize unified public prayer for America. In this historic year, we're honoring both the 75th observance of the National Day of Prayer and the 250th year since the founding of the United States. Join believers all across America on Thursday, May 7, in making this declaration of personal rededication on the National Day of Prayer.

2026 NATIONAL PRAYER

Almighty God, King of Glory, we confess our sins and repent of our pride that sought our own glory and comfort, allowing evil to take root instead of Your fruit in our hearts, homes, culture, and country. Please forgive us.

Now, with this declaration of rededication, we humble ourselves, pray, and seek Your face, turning from our wicked ways, that You would heal our lives and our land. Please purify and renew our hearts with holy attributes, affections, attitudes, and actions—to love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We give You glory as we repent and rededicate our lives and our nation to You.

For 250 years You have guarded and guided America in wisdom, grace, mercy, and love. We praise and thank You for our Founding Fathers, for all who sought You in fervent prayer throughout history and answered Your call to defend justice and freedom; to protect and serve, preach and teach, innovate, communicate, learn, work, worship, and establish our laws. May Your Kingdom come, and Your will be done in our lives, our Families, the Church, Education, Business, Military, Government, Arts, Entertainment and Media as it is in heaven.

We prayerfully commit to "Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations"

In Jesus' name, Amen!

PRAY FOR THESE SEVEN CENTERS OF INFLUENCE IN OUR NATION:

1. GOVERNMENT

Scripture

Psalm 24:3-6; Psalm 111:6-9; Psalm 33:10-12

Prayer

Lord of heaven and earth, we dedicate our government and pray that all who serve will seek Your authority, purposes, and glory. God of every generation and nation, we seek Your face and as we pray for our government. May every person who serves in government surrender his or her life, and seek Your will in the laws and leadership of our land. We pray that You would be glorified in each branch; Executive, Legislative, and Judicial, that every person would be a holy branch committed and abiding in You, The Vine. Please compel them to work in godliness, according to Your will and Word, for Your glory and not their own benefit, knowing that You are the rewarder of obedience. Please saturate them in Your wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. Prompt them to seek You as they steer and steward this great nation where You have lavishly shed Your grace and blessings for 250 years. To You alone be the glory, praise, and honor.

2. MILITARY

Scripture

Psalm 24:7; Psalm 84:11; Hebrews 11:6

Prayer

Commander of Heaven's Army, we dedicate our military to You and seek You as You alone determine the time for war and the time for peace. King of Glory, we pray that every generation of our military would seek you and You would be glorified as their refuge, reward, and strength. Throughout the ranks and years of service, from boot camp to retirement, Lord we pray for our military. Please guard them as they guard us, providing domestic tranquility and freedom around the world. Our nation began with a revolution, and in all the wars and missions since, we thank You God for being mighty in battle. We lift up our military members and their families as they sacrifice and serve, seeking to follow Your commands as You lead their lives and those who lead them.

3. ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, & MEDIA

Scripture

Psalm 47:1-2; Psalm 57:9-10; 1 Peter 4:10

Prayer

Creator God of all that exists and the Giver of all gifts, we dedicate our gifts and talents back to You in Arts, Entertainment, and Media seeking to express our awe and Your glory. Lord God, Creator of heaven and earth, You have given us abounding beauty and unfathomable glory that surrounds and fills the universe. Open our eyes and hearts to You in worship and praise as we see and experience all that You have given us and the gifts to learn more, explore, express our awe, and celebrate Your goodness as we reflect and magnify You through the arts, entertainment, and media. Cleanse our screens, stages, and sports from anything that does not glorify You and draws people away from You. Please pour out Your love and write Your Word on the hearts of the hurting who need healing. Bring forth truth in writing, posting, and messaging in all media. Be glorified in every talent, ability, and gift

You have given, that we may sing, dance, draw, write, paint, sculpt, play sports, act, invent, and create in reflection and in dedication to You, the God who created us and all that exists for Your glory.

4. BUSINESS & WORKPLACE

Scripture

Psalms 33:10-11; Psalm 90:16-17; Matthew 5:16

Prayer

Sovereign God, we dedicate our work to You and seek to follow You and give You all the glory as our work is worship to You. Almighty God, Author of our days and every opportunity, we seek Your plans and purposes daily in every decision in our workplace, knowing all we do is unto You. Every job has Kingdom purpose; a place to serve You, to be salt and light and use our God-given abilities to glorify You even if we don't see the results right away or every day. Keep us from seeking prideful or personal fame, or the love of fortune that distracts from Your plans and steals Your glory. You are the rewarder of obedience, excellence, and diligence. Guide us to be spiritually successful, to carry our load, making You known in word and deed as we work to glorify You and support our families.

5. EDUCATION

Scripture

Philippians 1:9-10; Matthew 7:7-8; Psalm 145:4

Prayer

Jesus, our Teacher, we dedicate our lives to seeking Your wisdom, knowledge, and understanding; and to apply these to our daily lives for Your glory. Lord, we are Your disciples, Your students seeking to know You and the wisdom that only comes from walking with You. We pray that everyone who teaches, learns, and serves in education will glorify You in curriculum, conduct, and character. We pray that students will be taught essential academics not manipulating agendas. We remember Your precepts and promises regarding the protection and teaching of children and to bring them to You and bring them up seeking You and never hindering, disregarding, or deceiving the youth.

6. CHURCH

Scripture

1 Chronicles 16:29-31; Ephesians 3:20-21; Revelation 5:9

Prayer

Lord, we dedicate our lives to You as our Lord and Savior and seek to live in Your will for Your glory. Almighty and awesome Lord, You are the head of the Church, we are Your body, Your bride, Your servants and we ascribe the glory due Your name that is above every name. Shepherd us as we seek and share Your good news, to know You and make You known. We desire and aspire to obey and serve You through Your love and power working within us. Help us to draw people to You through Your love and the good deeds done in Your name. Fill us with courage and compassion that does not compromise and love that does not judge. To You be the glory in the Church, in every generation and nation.

7. FAMILY

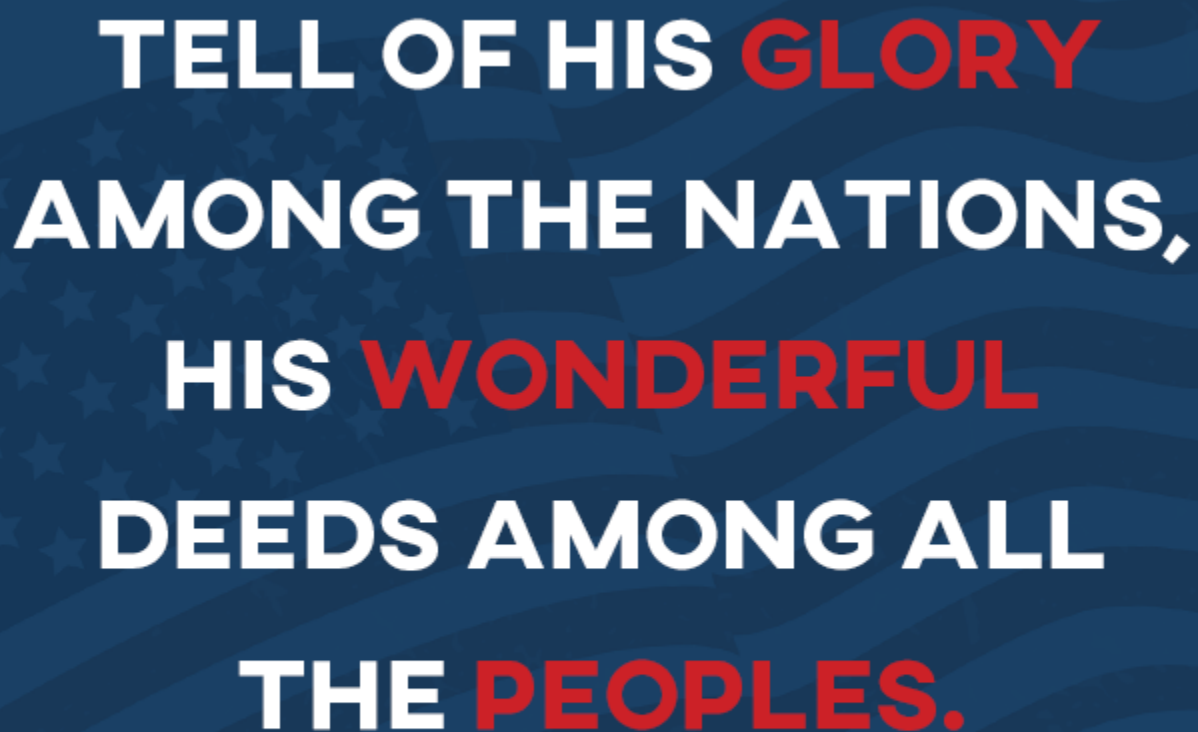
Scripture

Deuteronomy 7:9; Psalm 22:27-28; Exodus 3:14-15

Prayer

Heavenly Father, we dedicate our families to You, loving and supporting one another as You have loved us. Everlasting Father, thank You for bringing us into Your family, that the blood and love of Jesus have given us access to the Father so we can be called children of God. Thank you for establishing our families and creating us for relationships. We pray for the covenant of marriage as You ordained it from the beginning. Draw every family to seek you in their decisions, priorities, and activities. You establish where we live, work, serve, and worship. We pray every generation would pray, study Your Word, seek You, and glorify You together as Your family.

Thank you for participating in National Day of Prayer 2026! We believe in the power of prayer, and we know that when God's people pray, change happens. This prayer guide was adapted from the guide assembled by the National Day of Prayer Task Force. To learn more about National Day of Prayer, visit nationaldayofprayer.org



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