

30 Days of Prayer for Eastern Kentucky

Brethren, pray for us.

(1 Thessalonians 5:25)

Day 1 – In the 19th and 20th Century, Kentucky experienced significant revivals and spiritual awakenings. Pray that God will again revive His people in Eastern Kentucky and that a spiritual awakening will sweep across the mountains (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Day 2 – Eastern Kentucky is a significant mission field with over 700,000 unchurched men, women, teenagers, boys and girls. Pray that the Holy Spirit will bring conviction of sin upon the hearts of the unchurched and send Christians to share with them the gospel (2 Peter 3:9).

Day 3 – There are over 730 Southern Baptist churches in Eastern Kentucky. Pray that they will be sensitive to reaching the unchurched in their communities, towns, and county (Romans 10:1).

Day 4 – Pray that each pastor will love God with all his heart, soul, mind, and strength. Pray that God's Spirit will work in his heart in power that he will value and follow Biblical priorities (Matthew 6:33).

Day 5 – Pray for a fresh anointing of God on the ministry of each pastor. Pray that God's working will be powerfully evident both in his personal life and in the spiritual life of the congregation (Romans 15:18-19).

Day 6 – With the spiritual darkness comes physical poverty. Pray that God will stir the hearts of Southern Baptists to meet the poverty needs in Eastern Kentucky. The region has 29 of the poorest counties in the USA (Matthew 25:40).

Day 7 – Pray that as Southern Baptists meet the physical needs in the region, they will share the hope of the gospel (Colossians 4:3).

Day 8 – Pray for Lynn and Angie Wagoner and Jonathan Smith, MSC Missionaries at God's Appalachian Partnership in McDowell, that God

will provide the resources they need to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of families to which they relate.

Day 9 – Pray for Lester and Bessie McPeck, MSC Missionaries Directors of "God's Love from a Diaper Bag" in Jenkins, that God will continue to use them as a channel in reaching young mothers and their families with the gospel.

Day 10 – Pray for Greg and Alice Whitetree, Directors of the Freeda Harris Center in Elkhorn City, as they reach out to the children in the area. Pray that God will use them to lead the children and their families to Christ.

Day 11 – Missions volunteers are an important part of ministry in the mountains. Pray that God will call out many missions volunteers for 2007.

Day 12 – Pray for Lonnie and Belinda Riley, MSC Missionaries at the Meridzo Center in Harlan County. Pray that God will continue to supply every need as they minister to the physical and spiritual needs in the area. Pray for the many different facets and the volunteers who work with them, that God will provide their needs and give them the encouragement they need as they minister in Harlan County and the surrounding area.

Day 13 – Over the past 5 years over 2,500 decisions for Christ have been made in Harlan County. Pray that each new Christian will be disciplined and become part of a local church.

Day 14 – Pray for the physical and spiritual wellbeing of the Mission Service Corps (MSC) missionaries serving across Eastern Kentucky. Pray that God will provide the resources they need to accomplish His will and His work in the mountains. Pray that God will call men and women to serve in many mission opportunities across Eastern Kentucky.

Day 15 – Pray for Mike and Lori Gates, MSC Missionaries at Christ's Outreach for the Blind in Mt. Vernon, as they minister to children and families with special needs. Pray that God will use them not only to bring encouragement to

the families they work with, but to also point them to Christ.

Day 16 – Pray for a new MCS Missionary couple to come and serve at the Wendell Belew Center, Stanton. Pray that God will provide the individuals and volunteer mission groups needed to reach their area with the gospel of Christ.

Day 17 – Deep in the heart of Kentucky, close to Hyden, Middlefork Mission has been planted, in an area where church plants have failed in the past. Middlefork Mission is the only Southern Baptist church within 30 miles. Pray that God will establish this new work and provide the resources and volunteers needed for 2007. Pray that God will put a hedge of protection around the church as they minister in the midst of a heavy drug invested area. Pray that God will provide a pastor.

Day 18 – Pray for Charles and Margie Wilson, Directors of the Wheelwright Baptist Center in Wheelwright. Pray that God will use the Center to bring hope and change into the lives of those they are ministering to each week.

Day 19 – Pray for Jerry and Susie Lacefield, Directors of "Owsley County Ministry." Jerry is also pastor of First Baptist Church in Booneville. Owsley County is the 3rd poorest county in the USA. Pray that God will provide the physical resources needed for this ministry. Pray for volunteers to assist with the work.

Day 20 – Pray for Lewis and Anne Faulkenberry, MSC Missionaries with the Red River Baptist Association, Hazel Green. The Red River area is one of the most unchurched regions in the USA. Pray that God will bring a spiritual awakening to the area. Pray that God will provide the resources needed for ministry in the association.

Day 21 – Pray for Eileen Mullins, Director of Haven of Rest, Inez. Haven of Rest is a ministry to the families of inmates at the Big Sandy Federal Penitentiary. Pray for the families of the inmates as they come to visit, that God will use Haven of Rest to share the hope found in Christ. Also pray that God will

provide the resources and volunteers needed for the ministry.

Day 22 – Pray for Dale Hanson, Director of the Family Development Center in Winchester. Pray for wisdom as they convert an old factory into a ministry center. Pray that God will provide the resources and volunteers needed. Pray that God will use them to reach many for Christ.

Day 23 – Pray for the Baptist Food Warehouse in Berea and for the Director, Marie Wing. The Warehouse provides food and other related items for the 47 ministry centers across the region. In recent months food donations have sharply fallen off. Pray that God will supply the resources needed to meet the growing need for food in the mountains.

Day 24 – Pray for short term missions volunteers to come to Eastern Kentucky to assist the local churches, ministry centers and associations in ministry. Currently there are over 50 locations with multiple opportunities reflecting diverse needs. Pray for Teresa Parrett, MSC Missionary, who coordinates the mission teams coming to the region. Pray for the safety of the teams and that they will allow God to use them to reach many for Christ.

Day 25 – Pray for Morris Norfleet, President of the Mountain Missions Development Corporation in Berea. MMDC works closely with the 47 ministry centers across Eastern Kentucky, assisting in multiple ways that range from substance abuse counseling, literacy, job skill training, to the Berea Attic, a used clothing distribution center.

Day 26 – Pray for Vola Brown, Chaplain for Renfro Valley Entertainment Center. Pray for the staff and tourists Vola ministers to each week that they will respond to the gospel. Pray that God will give Vola the physical and spiritual strength to minister in this critical ministry to tourists coming to Renfro Valley.

Day 27 – Pray for Keith Decker, Director of Cedaridge Ministry in Williamsburg. Keith is reaching out and offering hope and change to many families in the area. Pray that God will

give him physical strength and provide the resources needed. Also pray for the many people that Keith leads to Christ to remain faithful.

Day 28 – Pray for the associational missionaries in Eastern Kentucky. Pray that God will give them wisdom and discernment as they work with the churches in the associations they serve. Pray that God will enable them to lead their associations to reach out to the lost in their communities, in Kentucky, and around the world.

Day 29 – Pray for spiritual unity among the churches and among the spiritual leadership. Pray that the enemy will not be allowed to create divisions, strife, or misunderstanding among churches and church leaders.

Day 30 – Pray that God will give each church, pastor, and association a clear Biblical vision of what each church can and should be for His glory, and that each pastor will communicate that vision clearly and confidently to the church and each associational missionary to the association.

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