



Government and Local Business:

**Government:**

We encourage people to gather together sometime during the day for a peaceful time of corporate prayer at either the City Building, such as City Hall, Local Courthouse a police station or similar government building. Organizing this event simply requires a formal or informal invitation to leaders and individuals such as pastors, intercessors, abolitionists, non-government organizations and even public city officials. Choose a public place adhering to laws and regulations, and either pass out a prayer outline (included) or feel free to lead a time of prayer that is inclusive and respectful of all who are present.

*We recommend:*

**Prayer over lunch time** (ex. Noon, or 1pm)

**A minimum of 30 minutes, max of 1hr.** (1 hour length allows opportunity for those who have a short lunch at different times to still be able to participate.)

**Print out a Prayer Outline** (One is Provided)

**Allow those present an opportunity to pray for one of the topics.**

**Designating a Pastor and/or City Official to help with the Leadership**

**Business:**

We believe businesses are crucial in the fight against Human Trafficking and encourage business owners and employees to organize a special time of prayer either in the workplace before work, during lunch or at the end of the day, including information that informs the team of the issues of Human Trafficking and how they can be a part of the solution.

*We Recommend:*

**Gathering before work or during lunch and using the prayer outline.**



## **Local Government Prayer Points:**

### Legislation

Clearly defined laws are integral in seeing criminal organizations and individuals brought to justice. Proper legislation sets the grid-work for our police, attorneys, and judges to be able to prosecute.

We need to pray for our lawmakers, that they understand all aspects of the slave industry, personally interacting with law enforcement and non-government agencies.

- Pray for divinely inspired legislation to come forth that doesn't just look at things as black or white, but instead addresses the necessary, permission-giving language that enables those who are combating Human Trafficking to be able to move with Godly Justice that brings both compassion and strong enforcement of the laws.
- Pray that, in the fight against Human Trafficking, individual freedoms are not traded for the sake of liberating those who have no freedom but instead uphold the principles of this country that ALL men, women and children are created equal with God-given inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

### Law-Enforcement

Law enforcement's understanding of identifying human trafficking is vital toward enforcing laws and changing the tide of slavery. We need every law enforcement agency, police, sheriff departments, FBI and even neighborhood watches to be informed, trained and aware of how to recognize human trafficking and what to do when it occurs.

- Pray that our law enforcement would become educated, equipped and funded enough to be able to identify Human Trafficking.
- Pray for them to have the compassion to see who the real criminals are, with knowledge of how to bring them to Justice.
- Pray for the protection, safety and purity of our law-enforcement officers.



### Judicial System

Without the Judicial system vigorously enforcing the laws, it won't matter what new legislation comes forth. We need attorneys and judges willing to prosecute, convict, and become actively engaged in ensuring that the laws are fully enforced, making it more difficult for trafficking activity to continue.

- Pray for lawyers and judges to be bold enough to seek prosecution and harsh penalties, especially for those who are responsible for enslaving others and taking advantage of their positions in life.
- Also, pray for purity and integrity.

### Coalitions

*The best thing that can happen in the fight against Human Trafficking is the development of coalitions and task forces. When Government agencies and NGO'S partner with each other then effective results take place. To end Human Trafficking, we must work together in community.*

**For what thanks can we render to God for you, for all the joy with which we rejoice for your sake before our God, night and day praying exceedingly that we may see your face and perfect what is lacking in your faith? Now may our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus Christ direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in Holiness before our God and father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints. —1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen —1 Thessalonians 5:28 (ESV)**

**But you Lord, tell them “I will do something! The poor are mistreated and helpless people moan. I'll rescue all who suffer.” —Psalm 12:5 (CEV)**

- Pray for effective coalitions and task forces to be formed in cities all across the nation.
- Pray that rescuers and their teams would remain pure of heart and full of faith.
  - Pray for physical and emotional protection.
  - Pray for supernatural guidance and favor.
- Pray for creativity and ingenuity in penetrating the industry.
  - Pray for wisdom and strength.
  - Pray for supernatural discernment.
- Pray the Holy Spirit would guide their footsteps and lead them to the rescue of others.

### **Other Governmental Prayers:**



*There are some amazing people working for family and social services within the government. It's important to pray for the administrators, employees and families involved in the restoration process.*

**But the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. —John 14:26 (ESV)**

**Like a muddied spring or a polluted fountain is a righteous man who gives way before the wicked. —Proverbs 25:26 (ESV)**

**God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. —Psalm 46:1**

**There is no authority except from God... For rulers are not a terror to good conduct but to bad. Then do what is good and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good...Do what is right, and they (authorities) will honor you. —Romans 13:1-5 (ESV)**

**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 (ESV)**

- Pray for peace, strength of character and softness of heart.
- Pray for wisdom and clarity to recognize the uniqueness of each case.
  
- Pray for refreshing and encouragement.
- Pray for purity.
  
- Pray for a smooth process, less red-tape and great cooperation with other agencies and organizations.
  
- Pray for divine revelation and supernatural encounters with Christ.
- Pray for new laws that will help in the restoration process.
- Pray that God would expose corruption and establish Godly workers within the government agencies.
- Pray for discernment in relationships and partnerships for organizations.
- Pray that the word of the Lord would move quickly within and without our government organizations, guiding them, encouraging them and directing their paths.
  
- Pray for more foster parents and an increase in adoptive families.

(Material sourced and excerpts taken from [Land of the Free: A Prayer Guide to End Human Trafficking](#) in America; by Nicholas E. Canuso.)

## **Local Businesses:**



Local business owners are usually very connected to the community and come in contact with different people ever single day. When local businesses and their employees are trained in recognizing Human Trafficking they become a vital and extremely effective role in ending Human Trafficking. The financial support of local anti-human trafficking agencies is crucial in our efforts to end modern slavery, with many abolitionists working 50+ hours a week for less than minimum wage, usually dependent upon personal financial support. This support often comes from local business owners and entrepreneurs who recognize the importance of local NGO's and their staff.

**Now may he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness while you are enriched in everything for all liberality which causes thanksgiving through us to God. —2 Corinthians 9:10-11**

**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ. —Ephesians 1:3**

**Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers. —3 John 1:2**

**And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. —Philippians 4:19 (ESV)**

**And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. —Philippians 1:9-11**

- Pray for a financial blessing, increase and outpouring upon local businesses and entrepreneurs.
- Pray for more training on how to recognize Human Trafficking amongst local business owners and employees.
- Pray for knowledge, wisdom and discernment to see the spiritual darkness and know how to respond.
- Pray for protection and divine appointments. That God would foster relationships and beneficial partnerships.
- Pray for boldness to take a strong stand in educating the community and protecting customers.