

THE CALL


Uniting the Kingdom of God!

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To take the UK Street by Street as a united army armed with the Gospel, Fasting and Prayer...



The National Day of Prayer & Worship

This **prayer network** consists of thousands of individuals, churches, organisations, networks and even denominations. They all work with the ministry as partners, helpers and supporters.

This **prayer ministry** focuses on uniting the Body of Christ towards fulfilling the Great Commission and advancing the Kingdom of God through prayer and by all means necessary.

During its early years (2006-2012) it was called the **Global Day of Prayer London** and held several large stadium events at West Ham Football Club, Millwall Football Club, St Helens and Wembley Stadium.

Then, the prayer ministry went on the road with the **Joining the Dots** Tour, visiting over 400 locations and events from 2013-2018.

The team took a deserved rest over two years before reemerging during COVID with widespread digital celebrations around **Pentecost**, which saw tens of thousands engage with the Virtual events.

NDOPW organised the **SHINE YOUR LIGHT** Christmas campaign in 2023, which saw over 70,000 people hit the streets, town centres and shopping malls with the Gospel and Carol singing. It touched mainstream media as over 60 denominations, and politicians, including the Prime Minister, engaged and endorsed the campaign.

NDOPW seeks to see the Church across the UK and Ireland revived, united and delivering the Gospel to society in every sphere.

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Scan this QR Code to link to the Prophetic words from February and April 2023 that are still relevant today!



A Prophetic Note to The Church In The United Kingdom, Ireland, & The Isles

A prayerful and prophetic letter or statement to the whole church across the Isles urging leaders and believers everywhere to respond to its contents.

The National Day of Prayer & Worship serves as a conduit to deliver the Word of the Lord. There is no coercion involved only a gentle but firm invitation to consider what is being declared with humility and discernment.

(Leaders, Pastors, Vicars and Leadership teams are to prayerfully reflect on the message and respond according to their conviction by the Spirit)

From 31st January to 2nd February 2024, key leaders and intercessors fasted for over three days at King's Park Conference

Centre in Northampton. There had been two previous three-day fasts in February and April 2023. They were praying and ministering to the Lord following Acts 13:2. The Holy Spirit spoke, and a clarion call went out to the whole church in the Land.

A Call for the Church to Return to the Altar of Prayer – Matthew 6:6

This is the season for intimacy with God and His Word. The Lord wants His Church back! Every denomination, network, local church, or group of Believers need to submit to the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

A Call To Repentance and Holiness – 2 Chronicles 7:14

During the first day of the Fast, the congregation were on their knees, some in deep prayer, while others wept through the Spirit of Prayer. This was not contrived,

and everyone present knew that the Presence of God was in the room. There was a clear call for the Church to repent and return to the Lord.

A Call to Fasting – Matthew 6:17-18

Many testified about a renewed zeal and energy to fast and pray. Some were healed of all kinds of ailments and physical issues. The grace to abstain was strong upon the whole congregation. The Lord is calling His Church to rediscover the old devotional disciplines that forged the foundations of Christianity in these Lands.

A Call To Prevailing Prayer! – Acts 1:14

The congregation spent two nights praying from midnight to dawn during the three days. People took up watches and prayed during their watch of one

hour or more. Some stayed up all night in prayer. Multitudes joined online to pray over the two nights across the Isles. They logged on and prayed from Ireland, Scotland, Wales, and across England.

We strongly believe that, as Acts 3:19 says, *“these are seasons for repenting and turning back to God so that times of refreshing may come upon the Church and the Land from the Presence of the Lord”* We urge Christians and Leaders everywhere to repent and turn to God in earnest so that the Church may be truly revived, and we may see a surge in multitudes coming to faith in Jesus Christ.

⁷ Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith Acts 6:7

Fasting as a Spiritual Discipline

Some would argue that Fasting is ritualistic and borderline legalistic. There is some truth in these assertions when abstinence is done without proper biblical guidelines.

*...I humbled my soul with fasting...
Psalm 35:13*

²⁷ But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified. 1 Cor 9:27

One of the key benefits of fasting is removing the distracting nature of the flesh. The discipline to 'tame' the flesh through fasting allows the heart and mind to connect better with God and His Word without impediments.

The detoxifying nature of fasting does wonders for the body and even mental health. This enables

us to experience greater spiritual freedom like the ancients and like our Lord. Laying aside every weight and sinful tendency allows us to look unto Jesus unhindered. Hebrews 12:1

Fasting does NOT add anything to the completed work of Christ. It enables us to access more of the Grace of Christ made available through the Cross.

In the same way, an academic seeks the quiet atmosphere of a good library to think more clearly; the Christian seeks the presence of God by removing distractions.

The library supports the academics thinking. Similarly, fasting supports the believers reflection and prayer. Fasting helps to create an atmosphere for access to more of God and His Word.

Organise a Night Watch or Vigil

- Share with your leadership team the vision to hold a Night watch.
- Share with the congregation the vision and teach on the subject.
- If there isn't a prayer culture, you might not get an immediate buy-in.
- Go with the willing by having a sense of those wanting a night vigil.
- If you don't have your own building. Start with a half night of prayer, which ends within the time stipulated by your landlord.
- If you have your own building, set a date and time and create momentum and anticipation towards the day.
- It is okay to be scared silly about starting something you haven't done before!
- Lean on the Lord and allow Him by His Spirit to strengthen you.
- Determine the number of hours and allocate a leader to take an hour each.
- This spreads the load or weight of the meeting across the team.
- Involve the worship team and give them time slots to minister.
- Pray together as a team regularly towards the day and reflect together about the theme and the emerging prayer points.
- Invite other experienced Intercessors, if you know any, to support the meeting without hijacking the event.
- Hand everything over to God and watch Him surprise you!

Use this
handy
checklist





Fasting every day of the month – A Rugby Tale...

Now, let's begin the count to thirty-one. There were shrieks and joyous shouts as people enthusiastically called out their numbers in the packed school hall of over four hundred people.

I spoke at a joint service of the Rugby ELIM church and Bilton Evangelical Church at the Harris Academy School. The hall was full of families, children, young people, parents and grandparents.

The Churches across Rugby were on an amazing journey of unity, prayer and mission. That night, I witnessed the strength of their cohesiveness as two hundred leaders and others packed into the Bilton Evangelical Church hall, pulling on my every word!

Paul Rogers and Jonathan Skelton were doing an Ant & Dec act in leading the joint services, and they pulled it off well! Two charismatic leaders who were covenant-minded and serving their congregations and their city.

The churches across Rugby are ones to watch in the coming

seasons because they are united and hungry! They embraced the message of prevailing prayer and fasting without flinching.

As of this publication, there is a free-flowing chain of multiple Christians fasting and praying daily for the town and region!!

Paul will admit to you humbly that they have no way of monitoring who is praying and when, but he knows they are!

My trip to Rugby encouraged me tremendously that indigenous White Christians believed in Fasting, Prayer and corporate unity to reach a Town or City.

42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' [n]doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. Acts 2:42

Is it possible for Christians and Churches in a region to truly unite like the early church? Could we in the United Kingdom and Ireland dare to believe what we read in the Scriptures and copy them verbatim? If the Bible is true, we can get the same results they got!



What's happening in Scarborough?

One of the early adopters of the Fasting and Prayer message was the group of churches that met in Scarborough in the early summer of 2023.

Paul Abell, Rob Parker, and Mark Carey were three leaders who came together across the northeast region to pray and seek God for the spiritual turnaround of their province.

The venue chosen was Paul Abell's church, aptly called 'the summit' as you had to climb a flight of stairs to get to the top! Paul was a jovial man with a unique streak of silver across his beard and hair.

He, Rob and Mark made quite a team, as they led with grace, depth and no hype.

The worship and prayers across the morning and afternoon were intense but appropriate for the prayer summit.

These wonderful and prayerful believers received the message of Fasting deeply and commenced to start a chain of intercession immediately! Some from Anglican congregations took the message back to their churches.



Almost one year later, the daily Prayer and Fasting chain is going strong with no signs of abating. The region wants to have another 'summit' to engage more areas and take the prayer levels higher.



We prayed all night



watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. Matthew 14:23-25

A casual glance at the prayer life of Jesus Christ shows a trend; He spent long, long hours in prayer. Even at the Garden of Gethsemane. He prayed about an hour each time he checked on His disciples. This means a minimum of three hours!

We believe the Holy Spirit is urging the Church to return to this ancient landmark and recover the power and authority from spending quality time with God.

John Wesley used to say he thought very little of a man who did not pray four hours every day! He would rise at 4am daily to seek God for the first four hours of the day. In his later years, Wesley was known to spend up to 8 hours in prayer daily!

This same John Wesley modified the notion of fasting stipulated by the Book of Common Prayer. Anglican Ministers were required to fast every Friday. John Wesley made his ministers fast twice weekly, on Wednesdays and Fridays. He would not ordain any minister who did not have this discipline.

One of the recurring testimonies during our February Prayer retreat was that of people saying they were amazed at how easy it was to fast and the experience of praying during the night.

Many people chose an hour to watch and pray but ended up praying and staying in the prayer room much longer. People's prayer lives were transformed, and their spiritual disciplines rekindled!!

¹² Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. Luke 6:12

¹⁶ So He Himself often withdrew into the wilderness and prayed. Luke 5:16

²³ And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. ²⁵ Now in the fourth



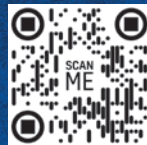
Use this handy checklist

How do I start a Prayer and Fasting Chain?

- Explain and teach about Fasting and Prayer using Scriptures.
- Share how everyone can pray Personally, Locally and Nationally.
- Make everyone take a number between 1 & 31
- You can do this as a count up to 31 and then start at 1 again (make it fun!).
- Encourage everyone to remember their number and write it down.
- Task everyone to involve their families and loved ones to join them on the day.
- THAT'S IT!! You now have a daily prayer and fasting chain across your congregation!
- Hold regular monthly or quarterly prayer times on a Sunday during the service.
- Create simple prayer points for people to pray for the salvation of their families, prayer for their streets or neighbours, the local church and also for the city and nation.



BECOME A GIDEON



Having read this booklet, the natural question is, so what next?

Choose a DAY within the month to FAST and pray on three levels.

A – Pray Personally
for your family and loved ones to come to Christ.

B – Pray Locally
for your street, neighbours, church or community.

C – Pray Nationally
for your county and country.

Become a GIDEON:

These are catalysts who advance the Kingdom of God in their workplace, church, family, region or sphere. Christians ready to Shine Their Light!

Join forces with other Churches and come up with a strategy to pray over every street and post code in your area.

Scan the QR code and register to join the online weekly Thursday 7pm prayer meetings.

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