

PRAYERWALKING

GETTING STARTED:

JOIN WITH OTHERS. It is better to go with another person. Larger groups can split into pairs or small groups.

SET ASIDE A SPECIFIC TIME AND DESIGNATE A SPECIFIC AREA.

LISTEN TO GOD. We find as we prayerwalk that a key ingredient is hearing the voice of the Lord. After all, we are seeking to cooperate with God to pray His desires over an area. We know many of His desires from the Bible, and He will never contradict His Word. However, in prayerwalking we see three specific ways that God gives us insight into what He wants to do.

Observation: Seeing garbage on the streets may trigger you to pray against the garbage in people's lives, for example.

Research: From research you might find there are specific pockets of crime, injustice, or occult practices which direct you to those places and give you a clear direction for prayer.

Revelation: You may get a nudge from the Holy Spirit to pray a certain direction or to pray a certain Scripture. You might even have a vision which reveals something to pray over.

COORDINATE EFFORTS, REGATHER & REPORT if you are with a larger group.

ACTIVITIES COMMON TO PRAYERWALKING:

PRAISE

Praise gives glory to Christ and exalts Him to His proper place as Lord of all. The Lord inhabits the praises of His people. God's presence fills the area when we praise, and the demons flee. In Ps. 100, praise is like the entrance into His very presence.

PRAYER

In Rev. 8, there was silence in heaven for the coming up of the prayers of the saints. Eph. 6:18 suggests our main weapon against the enemy is to "pray without ceasing." God can do anything He wants without our help. But He chooses to use the prayers of Christians as the vessel for releasing His power and bringing about victory in the spiritual realm.

Pray in the Spirit (Eph. 6:18).

Pray with your eyes open.

Pray together with others (Matt. 18:19-20, Lev. 26:8).

Pray Scripture passages.

True fasting has divine results (Is. 58).

PROCLAMATION

God-given scriptures or issues spoken in God-appointed places

Sharing the gospel

Prayer Evangelism - involves visiting your neighbors to ask what you can pray for. Often through God answering prayer, a person's heart is opened to hear His truth. (See BLESS prayers on next page.)

OTHER IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF PRAYERWALKING:

Unity

Decide on a leader

Decide upon specific scriptures to pray in preparation for the prayerwalk

Submission to the Lord

Humility and obedience

Persistence

5 PRESSURE POINTS

Places you might want to seek out in the area that you are prayerwalking:

1. Government centers where legislation is made

Commercial centers where decisions are made for who gets what goods

Educational centers, especially the president's office and teachers

Communication centers, such as for media, TV, & radio

Spiritual centers, both Christian and non-Christian

BLESS PRAYERS

These prayers can be used to pray for people you meet and offer to pray for them:

BODY

LABOR

ECONOMICS

SOCIAL

SPIRITUAL

THEMES FOR PRAYERWALKING:

Attempt to keep every prayer pertinent to the specific community you pass through.

Occasionally, however, you will find prayers naturally progress to the nation and to the world.

Use a theme passage of Scripture. For example, you might try 1 Timothy 2:1-10. Many have found it to be a useful launching point for prayerwalking. Verse 8 speaks of the important territorial dimension to prayer connected with God's desire that all people be saved. "I want the men in every place to pray"

Copy this and other passages in a format easy to read aloud several times during your walk. Each of the following prayer points emerges from this passage: concerning Christ, leaders, peace, truth, the gospel, blessing of God, and the Church.