



# SBC

## Pray for the Seven Centers of Influence on the National Day of Prayer

How to pray the 2022 theme, *Exalt the Lord, Who Has Established Us* into the seven centers of influence in America on the National Day of Prayer, May 5, 2022

*So then, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to walk in him, being rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with gratitude.*

Colossians 2:6-7 (CSB)



### GOVERNMENT

- **Federal:** executive, legislative, judicial
- **State:** executive, legislative, judicial
- **Local:** executive, legislative, judicial, police, fire, first responders

*Pray for President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris to make wise decisions at all times. Pray for leaders to show the glory of God as they serve our nation. Pray for wisdom and discernment on the major national and global challenges they address daily. Pray that God will grant wisdom in the decisions related to Ukraine and Russia. Pray that leaders will lead according to Psalm 78:72.*



### MILITARY

- **Courageous and wise leaders**
- **God's protection**
- **Continual dependence on God**

*Pray for military leaders responsible for those under their command. Pray for the protection of personnel serving our nation in the military and for them to exhibit the love of God across our nation and around the globe. Pray for the protection and support of the families who are left behind.*



### MEDIA ARTS

- **Communicators of truth**
- **Sharing inspirational stories**
- **Respecting others**

*Pray for each person working in the media and arts professions to find new ways to use their talents and technology to fill the airwaves with the Gospel message. Pray for decision makers within media to realize they can make a profit by producing uplifting Christ-centered projects.*



### BUSINESS

- **Leaders of honesty and integrity**
- **Creators of economic blessing**
- **Helpers and givers to local community**

*Pray for business leaders to show Christ-like humility as they engage in their trade. Pray for employees and employers to work with a strong sense of unified purpose. Pray that businesses will prosper and that the prosperity of businesses will boost our economy. Pray for those who have lost jobs and that God would provide their needs.*



### EDUCATION

- **Highly values truth**
- **Expects excellence**
- **Prepares students to win**

*Pray for the administrators, teachers, and other faculty as they invest in preparing the next generation. Pray for a safe atmosphere conducive for learning. Pray for parents who homeschool their children. Pray for college students as they balance school and social life.*



### CHURCH

- **Biblically-based, Christ-centered**
- **Holy Spirit-empowered**
- **Great Commission-driven**

*Pray for churches as they work to reach their neighborhoods with the Gospel. Pray the church will place a focus on the Great Commission. Pray for pastors who are faithful but fatigued and ask God to give them a fresh wave of energy and strength. Pray that churches will elevate the ministry of prayer.*



### FAMILY

- **Follow the Bible**
- **Practice forgiveness**
- **Love one another**

*Pray for God's glory to be shown through the strengthening of families. Pray that families will exhibit unity and love toward one another. Pray that husbands and wives will honor and respect each other. Pray that healthy relationships will be established and maintained between parents and children. Pray that families will prioritize praying and worshipping together.*



Pray for Southern Baptist Churches, Associations, State Conventions, and SBC Entities

