



Community Prayer Guide – January 2025

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.” Colossians 4:2

Thank you for praying for our city! We have 5 sectors that have generated relevant prayer points for the launch of One Church - One Day in Ottawa. Please be praying for the formation of all the strategic teams including the sectors of Business, Family, Police, Fire & EMS, and Education. When you pray for the city, please be led by the Holy Spirit as you consider these specific prayer requests. Please pray for your own congregation, as well.

Body of Christ

- Ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers into His harvest field in the Ottawa region.
- Pray that Jesus would generously supply all the needs of the various churches and ministries.
- Ask God to give us the grace to pray more, to make the time amid daily life.
- Pray for Jesus-followers in our community to be quick to forgive, strong in love and unified in Christ.
- Pray that we have courage when discouragement comes, keeping our eyes on Jesus.

Arts & Culture

- Pray for an awakening of the arts in the local church and the body of Christ as a whole.
- Pray for the February Webinar on “Why Art Matters” with Alistair Gordon, that it will bring renewed understanding & revelation to Christian artists of the importance of their place in society.
- Pray for inspiration for the Renew Arts lead team, as they prepare that event.
- Pray for Winterlude -for the organizers and businesses that are impacted by the challenges and opportunities of organizing this outdoor festival.

Health Care

- Pray that health care spaces including hospitals will continue to value spiritual care for patients, families, and their staff.
- Pray for the wellness of healthcare practitioners including their spiritual wellness.
- Pray for leadership of hospitals that they may be guided by wisdom, truth, and righteousness.
- Ask God to provide the healthcare system including long-term care with all the resources it needs.

Media

- Pray for wisdom, humility, and good judgment for journalists as they weigh which stories to focus on, and what approach to take.
- Pray that journalists would be committed to fairness, balance and reflecting a variety of perspectives.
- Pray that politicians & government share with openness, honesty & transparency.
- Pray for a sustainable news industry in Canada in the face of dwindling revenue.
- Pray for people working in media to have well-rounded lives -- spiritually, mentally, physically.

Government:

- Pray for open doors for the City and Builders to build needed housing units in a timely way.
- Pray for collaborations between city departments for setting up services to vulnerable populations, such as Senior Health and Supports Services, Residential Home Services, Older Adult program, Essential Health and Support Services, and Financial Assistance programs; pray for good fruit in the short term that would be an endorsement to continue funding on a long-term basis.
- Amid public scrutiny and dissatisfaction despite exceptional effort, pray for encouragement for everyone involved in OC Transpo and transit services.
- Thank God for the first Rural Summit that took place in November, 2024; pray for the Mayor's 10 commitments on rural issues to improve rural services and representation at City Hall for the betterment of all rural residents and the City as a whole.

Thank you for joining many other congregations as we pray for a transformed city.