

# **Guidelines for Corporate Intercession and Public Prayer**

***“For in fact the body [of Christ] is not one member but many.” -- 1 Corinthians 12:14***

***“For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function....having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them....”  
-- Romans 12:4-5***

***“Let all things be done decently and in good order.” -- 1 Corinthians 14:40***

As we gather let us remember that we are drawn together from a variety of denominational and non-denominational backgrounds in the Body of Christ. We bring in a diversity of prayer expressions and styles ranging from contemplative and liturgical, to evangelical, charismatic and Pentecostal. The ministry leaders simply ask that we practice sensitivity, deference and honor toward one another. Let us pray that the Lord will help us not cause offense to one another.

- > If you receive a specific quickened scripture or prophetic word that you feel is for the entire group, we ask that you step forward and submit it to the team of leaders identified in the front row. They will make a determination if it should be brought forth publicly at that time.
- > There will be both small group and full assembly times of corporate prayer and intercession.
- > Whether praying vocally as part of the larger group, or vocally in a small group please be sensitive to content, volume and style. Some who are used to praying publicly in tongues with others will need to be sensitive to pray more quietly in these prayer languages. There might be times when we will be led to all pray forth at the same time in Korean / African style, and we might then release ourselves and sound like “rushing waters” together.
- > Our prayer topics will be drawn from the presentations. A speaker might lead the full group in an opening time of prayer, and then a moderator will continue. Various ones of you participating might sense to vocally pray forth. We welcome your doing so, and simply ask that prayers be kept on topic, and be brief and to the point so that others might also have time to pray.
- > At other times the prayer moderator will outline key prayer points after a presentation, and you will then be asked to break into a small group with your neighbors and to “pray in agreement” about these matters. Please stay within the parameters of these prayer points. Take your liberty to pray your heart and your anointing, but please try to not dominate the prayer circle; give time for others to pray.
- > Let us rejoice that Jesus Christ is our great High Priest. He will receive all we offer in faith, will complete and make it perfect, and present it to the Father. Let our common goal be to know the mind of Christ, to obey and satisfy the Lord in His intentions for this strategic convocation.

***“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” -- Ephesians 3:20-21***