

“...He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears; but with righteousness He shall judge the poor.”  
(Isaiah 11:3-4)



## Prayer Bulletin September 2020

“Now we have received... the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.”  
(I Corinthians 2:12)

*“And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God” (Philippians 1:9-11)*

Brethren, things are not always what they seem or appear to be. The Lord did warn us in Matthew 24 that deception would be rampant in the end times. We cannot discern truth by our natural senses, but by the revelation of the Spirit of God who lives inside of us! Let us ask God in every situation for wisdom, understanding, and discernment, that He may show us the truth. Then we will be wise, understanding what His will is (Ephesians 5:17), as He shows us things which we do not know (Jeremiah 33:3).

Pray for Christ followers to ask God for truth, wisdom and understanding in all things and all situations.  
Pray for the body of Christ to remain in unity and love, in the Spirit of Christ, despite differences and circumstances. Bind and break the spirit of division off the body of Christ in Jesus' name.  
Pray that we as His body truly hear, know and understand His voice and will above all things.  
Pray for the church to abound more and more in knowledge and discernment in the things of God.  
Pray that the peace of God blankets this city, state and nation in the days to come, and civil unrest is quelled.  
Pray for our economy to recover fully, and small businesses to weather the economic storms.  
Pray for an awakening of God upon our city, state, and nation, that brings a true encounter with Jesus Christ.

### Leadership

#### Pastors

- \* Pray the blood of Jesus over churches and over pastors and church leadership. Pray for protection against theft, violence, and any lawlessness.
- \* Pray for protection over Pastors, and any and every demonic assignment against them is uncovered and stopped in the name of Jesus.
- \* Pray for those in pastoral leadership to have those with whom they can pray with on a regular basis, and who can walk alongside them, strengthening them.
- \* Pray for Christ followers, for a deeper awakening to God, a spirit of repentance and renewal in walking with the Lord, and a revived passion to pray and seek His face.
- \* Pray for pastors and leaders to receive a fresh hunger for God and the things of God.

#### City Officials

- Pray for the salvation and wisdom of every civic leader in our city: Mayor Katrina Foley, City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison, Assistant City Manager Susan Price. Pray for them to be led by God as they lead and guide our city. Pray that the City Council works together in unity, and sees the value of establishing only righteous and good ordinances for the city.
  - Sandy Genis - Allan Mansoor
  - John Stephens - Arlis Reynolds
  - Andrea Mar - Manuel Chavez
  - Stacy Lumley & Muriel Ullman – Homeless Arena
- Chief of Police Bryan Glass and CM Police Dept - wisdom and grace to uphold righteous and good laws. Pray for protection from danger as they carry out their duties.
  - Pray for our Police Chaplains, Mike Decker, Dave Brooks, Jeff Lee, Rod Randall – that they would be a source of peace and wisdom from God for their departments
- Fire Chief – Dan Stefano – For grace to lead, and also preserved health for himself and his firemen.
  - Pray for Josh Harrison Chaplain to FD – that he would be able to minister to all of them
- Business Leaders
  - Pray for businesses to be able to fully reopen and resume business, and that no more economic loss would take place due to the shutdowns. Pray that Costa Mesa would fully reopen for business in every aspect, and that COVID and every virus is completely destroyed, in Jesus' name.

- Pray for business leaders for wisdom in how to conduct their businesses. Pray for their salvation if they do not know Him. Pray that any crisis they face would lead them to Him. Pray they can get additional finance help, if needed.

- Neighborhoods:** - Pray for the “Love Costa Mesa” serve day on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pray that the Lord would bring Projects, Project Leaders, Sponsors, and plenty of volunteers to sign up for each Project. Pray that things continue to come together smoothly in the planning of this event that will be a blessing to Costa Mesa and her people. (Projects will be posted on [www.lovecostamesa.org](http://www.lovecostamesa.org) in the days to come). If you have an idea for a project for Love Costa Mesa day, please send it to [Isabel@wearetrellis.com](mailto:Isabel@wearetrellis.com).
- Pray that God would continue to raise up a multilingual prayer army in Costa Mesa. *“So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask Him to send more workers into His fields”* (Matthew 9:38). Pray that every single person in Costa Mesa is seen and cared for.
  - Pray for the residents at the towers on 19<sup>th</sup> street Pray that everyone there would have their needs met, both physically and spiritually. Pray that there would be a Christian presence and ministry available to the residents who live there.

**Education -**

- Pray for the schools as they begin the new school year with distance learning, and for wisdom as they consider and plan for the reopening of the schools with modified, in person instruction.
- Pray for “Love our Schools” week (Sept 28<sup>th</sup> – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>). This week focuses on schools, students, faculty, and parents . Pray for favor, creativity, leaders and volunteers. We will need projects for Love Costa Mesa Day (Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>) that focuses on schools. (If you have an idea for a project for a school, send it to [isabel@wearetrellis.com](mailto:isabel@wearetrellis.com)).
  - Pray for John Drake, new Assistant Superintendent, Chief Academic Office, beginning August 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Continue to pray for Terrilee Stevenson as she takes on the role of Director of the Education Initiative. Pray for favor with the school district, and with the school champions from the various churches, and for wisdom in leading and implementing a strong “School Connect” model here in NMUSD.
  - Pray every child receives adequate food and nutrition.
  - Pray for the learning centers to be open to care for kids after school this Fall. Pray for more churches to connect with, and support the schools.

**Homelessness –**

- Pray for God to keep forming the teams addressing homelessness the way He sees we need, so that the work is done efficiently to help the homeless in the best possible way.
- Approximately 11 homeless people were approved for housing. Pray that the transition goes smoothly. Some of these are ill, and have mental issues. Pray for their complete recovery from illness. Pray that any who have to be hospitalized while being housed do not lose their housing. Pray for addiction to be ended in those housed.
- One need for the homeless moving into their new housing, is AM/FM radios. These are typically around \$20.00. If you would like to donate a radio, please drop it off at the Trellis office at 715 W. 17<sup>th</sup> St, Unit E5 in Costa Mesa (spread the word so that others can donate some too! ☺ )
- Pray for the homeless utilizing the CIC, that they would respect and honor the rules so that it is not shut down due to vandalism or destruction of property. Pray for John Begin as he works with the homeless, for continued wisdom, and that they would respect and honor him.
- Homelessness is on the rise in the city due to COVID, unemployment, etc. Pray for the homeless to be restored and healed, and come to salvation in Jesus’ name.

**Prayer:**

- Pray for “10 Days of Prayer California” – a prayer event being planned statewide (Trellis is included in this planning), that would bring Christ followers together (online and in person) from September 19<sup>th</sup> through September 28<sup>th</sup>, for a time of prayer, repentance, worship, and seeking God’s face together. A 24/7 online prayer will be part of these 10 days, plus community prayer/worship events being held statewide. This is in conjunction with the main 10 Days of Prayer being held worldwide. Pray for Costa Mesa Christ followers to join in. Pray for a move of God city, state and nation. You can sign up for a 24/7 prayer slot and also list a community prayer event your church or group plans to hold, on the website. ( <https://www.10days.net/california/> ).
- Pray that the leadership of each Christ following church would be passionate about prayer and relationship with God, and that corporate prayer would be established in every church, led by the pastoral leadership. Pray that corporate prayer would grow in the city between churches and denominations.
- Pray for Convergence House of Prayer – planning for an interim, “virtual house of prayer” that would bring together the churches, worship leaders and intercessors online to seek God together.