



# MENS MINISTRY

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# The Garden of Gethsemane Prayer Newsletter

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## “ THE LIGHTHOUSE “

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but put it on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so they may see your good works and give glory to your father who is in heaven”

**Matthew 5:14-15**

What it mean to let your light shine? Being a light to others can mean a variety of things. For starters, it means you intentionally go out your way to help others, even without the cost of expecting something in return.

**Bryon Gould, Northeastern Jurisdiction Prayer Advocate President**

## Scriptures of the Month Of Forgiveness

“Repay no one for evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all” **Romans 12:17**

‘For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing: it is the gift of God’  
**Ephesians 2:8**

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I loved you, you also are to love one another” **John 13:34**

“Be kind and compassionate one another, forgiving each other just as Christ forgave you” **Ephesians 4: 32**

“ Bear with each other and forgive one another if you have any grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you”  
**Colossians 3:13**



Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.  
**Proverbs 28:13**

“Do not Judge, and you will not be judged: do not condemn, and you will not be condemned, Forgive and you will be forgiven” **Luke 6: 37**

You Lord are forgiving and good, abounding love to all who call to you.  
**Psalms 36: 5**

“ He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world” **1John 2:2**

## Praying that we forgive one another

## **FIGHT THE DEVIL BACK!**

Satan is a crafty character that never gives up the fight. He comes after you from all directions. The name of his game is to kill and destroy those who oppose him. He is all about trying to tear down the people of God by any means necessary. People of today often believe that Satan does not have power, but he really does. He is the great persuader, and notorious liar. He's going to come after you when you least expect. As Christian we have to fight him back. He is armed and extremely dangerous in all that he does to bring God's people down. The war was already won when Christ went to cross. He doesn't believe it one bit, because he rages battles with us every minute and every hour of our lives.

Picture yourself in the ring with him getting ready to fight him for the things that he stole from you. In his corner he has the Angel of death him as his trainer. He has a pretty good record for destroying those whom he opposes because some have allowed him to have his way. In the Christian's corner he has the Angel Gabriel, God's true warrior, as his trainer and his is undefeated. The fight starts out with the Devil telling the Christian that he is going to destroy him. The Christian looks a little intimidated because he knows this fight is not going to be easy. As the fight begins the Devil comes out very aggressive looking for a first round knockout! Comes out throwing hay makers, looking to land that punch to that will put the Christian down for good. The Christian knows what Satan has done to him. He has been robbed, cheated on, lied to and used by him so much there is no truth in him.

Satan lands some good shots that stagger the Christian, but he stays in the fight even though those jabs sting a little bit. Between rounds the Christian's trainer the Angel Gabriel tells him keep your guards up, because if you don't he's going to knock you out. The Christian remembers God's word that says I will walk with you through the valley of shadow of death, for I am with you, have no fear for I have overcome death, and I will never leave you nor forsake you. The Christian started to gain confidence, but dropped his guard too soon and the devil delivered an upper cut that the Christian didn't see coming, and down he went. The Devil sometimes in our life delivers a blow to us that we did not see and everything looks hopeless. But we serve a God that is so faithful, so loving. And does exactly what he says he is going to do. Knocked down, but not knocked out! Those punches sting a little bit, but we have to throw some ourselves. Run the race, fight the good fight never give up. God tells us we have power over dragons, snakes, and Serpents. We are more than conquerors. We have strength when we have Jesus. He died on the cross so that we may be free from sin. The war is over, but the Devil does not believe it. All we need to do is keep our eyes on Jesus and he will see you through. He is still undefeated!

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# WHAT THE PEOPLE OF GOD NEED TO PRAY FOR

## ASK GOD FOR FORGIVENESS

God is a forgiving God, if he forgives you, then we ought to forgive one another. Ask for both clarity in your situation and the ability to forgive those whom try to hurt you.

## PRAY FOR FORGIVENESS IN ANGER

Ask God to guard your heart when old emotions threaten to surface, Ask God to strip the anger within your heart and replace it with joy of Jesus.

## FORGIVENESS OF SIN

Ask God for a new renewed life. Cleanse your mind, and your heart. Pray that he makes you a new creator. That all things shall pass away and new things become brand new.

## FORGIVENESS WHEN YOU HURT SOMEONE

We suppose to be a light for those who live in darkness. When we choose selfishness over being their hope in their storms, we damage those who are seeking hope. Ask God to guide your footsteps according to his word.

## ASK GOD TO LEAD YOU OUT OF DARKNESS

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name sake. Even though I walk in the valley of darkness, I will fear no evil, for you are with me: your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies, you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. AMEN







PRAYING OUR WAY FORWARD



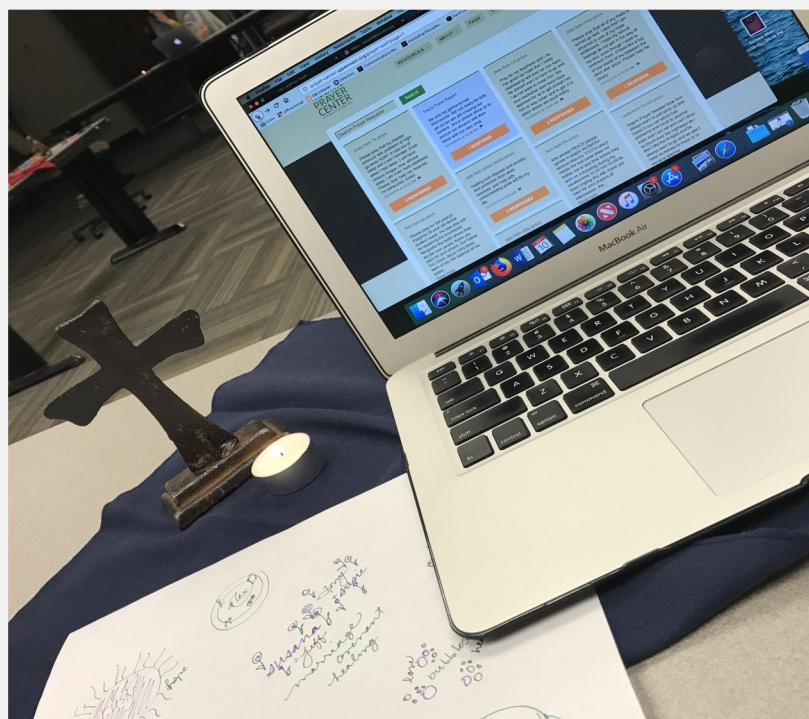
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## Northeastern Jurisdiction

United **Men's Ministry**

*"Praying like Jesus"*



We have unlimited openings for motivated prayer warriors to meet the need of God's people. Start immediately. Responsibilities include performing random acts of kindness, serving, and pleasing God, and doing what He commissions you to do. No experience is needed, God will equip you with on job training, Benefits will include growth opportunities leading to one incredible raise at the end of your service. You will need to:

- (1) Recognize God's voice-Discover God's plan for our lives
- (2) To discern God's will-Understand how to apply God's word
- (3) To make wise decisions- Everyday is filled with decisions
- (4) Be humble and have compassion for those who are hurting
- (5) To distinguish good from best- We need to thrive for greatness

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# **LET US JOIN TOGETHER IN PRAYER**

**The Power of Prayer**

**The NYAC UMC/UMM NY/CT District**

**Hosted by Paul Wheatley**

**Zoom ID 964 845 3714 Every Sunday from 2 to 4pm**

**Pass code: 121500**

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**Annapolis District UMM**

**Hosted by Richard Campbell and Morgan Smith**

**Zoom ID 862 4489 7410 pass code 768838**

**Every Thursday Evening 7pm –8 pm**

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**Baltimore Metropolitan District UMM**

**Hosted by Bryon Gould**

**Zoom ID 318 690 0495**

**Every Saturday Morning 10 am – 11:30 am**

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**Binghamton District UMM**

**Hosted by John Conklin**

**Zoom ID 863 6352 7822**

**Every Monday evening at 7 pm**



# THE UNITED MEN FOR CHRIST CREED



**I am a United Man for Christ** I am a man as human and as sinful as any other man. However, I have been changed forever by the merciful grace of GOD, grounded in his word, and attempting, with his help, to live out my faith in the world. I feel especially called to a ministry to men and desire to see that every man reach the fullness of God and experience the wonderful saving grace of our Lord and Savior whom I am privileged to know.

**I am a United Man for Christ** I belong to community of men within the Global United church who share my call to ministry and who are moved action by the whispers of the holy Spirit. Together, we are committed to serving God through the word and deed and strive to live out our faith as we take up our cross and follow him.

**I am a United Man for Christ** I struggle with demons of the flesh as I live in the world even though I am not of this world. I strive to spend with him daily in prayer and meditation and look to the word for guidance and inspiration. I believe in his power working through me as I seek to bring other men to him.

**I am a United Man for Christ** I take seriously Jesus' words "Come follow me" I have a special concern for the sick, the marginalized, and the needy. I assist the young through the scouting ministry of my church, honor the military and first responders with copies of Strength for Service, and help the hungry through participating in events led by Stop Hunger Now and the Society of St. Andrew. I want to respond in a healing way to the brokenness of the world in which I live.

**I am a United Man for Christ** I will honor and uphold the traditions, polity and structure of the Global United Church. We can accomplish more together than we can as individuals I believe our Wesleyan heritage makes us unique and well equipped to witness our faith to a dying and sinful world. Our connectedness gives us strength to respond to God's call to love others as we would love him. I encourage my local fellowship to charter annually in order to support ministries beyond the local church.

**I am a United Man for Christ** God's call on my life and my obedience to him makes me a radiating power. Through the faithfulness of my commitment to him. I become a living symbol, the hands and feet of Jesus, a sign of his Kingdom here on earth.