

# INTERNATIONAL PRAYER CONNECTIONS

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## Intimacy with God, the Key to Intercession

(Biblical Pattern for Intercession from Genesis 18:16 -33)  
by Enoch Era, Hyderabad, India.

The story of Abraham's intercession for his nephew Lot in Genesis 18, is the first recorded instance of a major intercession in the Bible. If we followed the hermeneutic principle of first mention - I believe, this story sets the tone and the trend for intercession in the rest of the Bible.

The first thing to note in the story is that intercession was **initiated by God**. It began with God revealing his will for Sodom and Gomorrah. Intercession is not born as a result of man's burden or concern. It is God's burden that he shares with man and invites us to partner with him in bringing his will to pass on earth. God must show his will. He must put the burden into our hearts. He must give us the right words to pray for. Only then true intercession is possible. But, why does God reveal his will to us?

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## UpRising: World Youth Prayer Assembly

Dear Prayer Network Leaders and Friends,

As you may already know, on July 26-30, 2016, we are calling for a global UPRISING-- that is, United Prayer Rising-- in Seoul, South Korea. With the global crisis this generation is facing and the attacks on them, we believe that it's time to gather, it's time to pray, and it's time to see change in our regions and our nations.

**We see the convergence of generations in united prayer can potentially reverse the crisis, and even potentially give birth to new prayer and missions movements and even a Jesus Movement all over the world. Also,**



on July 29, a worship-intercession will be held at the DMZ Peace Plaza (the border of North and South Korea) to pray against division, and agree with our Korean brothers in prayer for the unification of Korea.

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## SEA Prayer Council

One of the regional prayer strategies developed at the launch of the IPC in South Africa in 2002 has developed into a strong, annual assembly of prayer and ministry leaders from all eleven countries of Southeast Asia. This video records the wonderful things that have developed through this ongoing association. Praise God and enjoy!

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/7ifivq30ik6zd3u/SEAPC.mp4?dl=0>

## Royal Kids of South Africa

Thanks, many thanks indeed for your prayer support. The Royal Kids Of South Africa managed, by the Grace of God, to make it to Cape Town and hosted our first Children Prayer Conference with aplomb. A 2000 Seater Tent was full and overflowing with Children!!! There has never been such a gathering of Children in Cape Town before. The Churches were shell shocked. The Prayer Conference itself fulfilled its purpose. Several Bodies of Pastors' Networks came together for the first time and none of them had horns!!! We had bumper crowds from day one to the last day. Spiritually, it was highly successful.



Bishop Peter Sekhonyane  
sekhonya@postnet.co.za

## Together 2016

*Every valley shall be raised up,  
every mountain and hill made low;  
the rough ground shall become level,  
the rugged places a plain.  
And the glory of the Lord will be revealed,  
and all people will see it **together**.  
- Isaiah 40:4-5*

It's time for the Church to unite. It's time to focus on who we are for, not what we're against. It's time to focus on Jesus.

Rampant division is demoralizing our nation. We need each other. We need Jesus.

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## Prayer for the Nations

### Armenian Prayer Initiative

You will rejoice to read this report of the recent prayer initiative for the land of Armenia carried out in partnership with the Australian Prayer Network!

<http://prayarmenia.net>

4 page link is attached.

### Prayer for Bangladesh

Right now our country situation is not good. A Muslim terrorist group always told most of the Christian leaders to stop Christianity so now the Bangladeshi Christian Community is very afraid. Last month, one group sent me a SMS saying, "Stop your prayer activities with Christian Nurses. (This is a program for Christian Nurses in which we worship and pray together.) But some Muslim people don't like this. That's why they send to me SMS and threatened that if you again start this program, we will kill you. **So please pray for Bangladesh. We are only half a million Christians here and need safety. I believe God will protect us.**



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## United Prayer Movement (UPM): Its History, Vision and Mission

### Introduction: Origin - "Holy Discontent"

Missionaries/Workers in Turkey, along with Turkish pastors and leaders had been working so hard with much prayers, at times sacrificing their families and risking their lives to reach the Turks with the Gospel of Jesus Christ in many different and creative ways. Yet, Turkey remains as one of the most unreached nation in the world. There are currently 4,000 Muslim-background believers attending church out of 73,000,000 Turks (about 0.005 %, which is one of the lowest in the world).



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## North Korea

Below is a collection of articles and information referring to numerous cases where defectors from a variety of backgrounds have charged human experimentation is taking place on a massive scale within N. Korea.



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## Burundi

### Burundi: Outside Powers Warn Of Spiraling Conflict

November 13, 2015

The United Nations, African Union and European Union all warned on Nov. 12 that political violence in Burundi is threatening to spiral into a full-scale regional ethnic conflict, Reuters reported. The U.N. Security Council adopted a French-drafted resolution on contingency planning to enable an international response to any further escalation in Burundi, asking Sec. Gen. Ban Ki-moon to prepare options for boosting the U.N. and African Union presence in the country. On Nov. 13, the EU mission in Burundi began reducing staff and sending family members home, while Belgium advised its citizens in the country to leave. At least 240 people have reportedly been killed and tens of thousands more have fled the landlocked country since April, when President Pierre Nkurunziza announced he would run for another term.

### **Violence in Burundi Raises Fears of Ethnic Conflict Elsewhere**

Violence is once again rising in Burundi, and as the death toll mounts, the country's neighbors are becoming increasingly concerned that the conflict could spill across their borders. Several international organizations have even expressed fears that Burundi's political turmoil could spark broader ethnic strife throughout an already restive region. But these dire predictions probably will not come to pass, since Burundi's leaders - and its watchful neighbors - have every incentive to keep the bloodshed in check.

**Please keep this little nation of East Africa and the wider region in prayer. In the 1990s, it and especially its neighboring nation of Rwanda experienced the full horror of ethnic conflict and genocide. Pray that such a thing will be kept from happening again and for God's peace to reign in Burundi and the whole region.**

## Watchmen Call for the USA

*Then I said to the nobles, the rulers, and the rest of the people, "The work is great and extensive, and we are separated far from one another on the wall. Wherever you hear the sound of the trumpet, rally to us there. Our God will fight for us."*  
Nehemiah 4:19-20

**INVITE:** You are receiving this by way of invitation to a necessary and important mobilization of watchmen across the USA. We are in times of increased spiritual intensity requiring stronger relational effectiveness and communication to face them. The walls Nehemiah restored allowed people to walk, communicate and consequently defend Jerusalem. Without these walls, Jerusalem was defenseless. Now with technology and abilities to communicate, it is time to build up the "ramparts" of communication and relationships in prayer/worship in the USA.



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## Syria

### [Syria: Foreign Diplomats Set Timeline To End Civil War](#)

November 15, 2015 | 14:04 GMT

Seventeen nations have adopted a timeline to end the Syrian civil war, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said at a joint press conference in Vienna, Bloomberg reported Nov. 15. As a first step, the United Nations agreed to convene Syria's government with opposition representatives by Jan. 1. A

cease-fire between Damascus and recognized opposition groups should be in place within six months, and a new constitution should be drafted within 18 months to allow elections in 2017. Diplomats also decided to place the Islamic State and al Qaeda-affiliated Jabhat al-Nusra on a list of groups subject to military strikes even when a cease-fire is in place. Diplomats will reconvene in a month to review progress.

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## Muslim Brotherhood



By [Bill Gertz](#)

- - [Wednesday, June 3, 2015](#) [www.washingtontimes.com](http://www.washingtontimes.com)

President Obama and his administration continue to support the global Islamist militant group known the [Muslim Brotherhood](#). A White House strategy document regards the group as a moderate alternative to more violent Islamist groups like [al Qaeda](#) and the Islamic State.

The policy of backing the [Muslim Brotherhood](#) is outlined in a secret directive called Presidential Study Directive-11, or PSD-11. The directive was produced in 2011 and outlines administration support for political reform in the Middle East

and North Africa, according to officials familiar with the classified study.

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## Seeking God's Face for the Deliverance and Destiny of America- Report and Videos

We are still basking in the glow of what the Lord did among us and all the new awareness and encouragement received concerning both our national security and the way the Holy Spirit is raising up so many wonderful prayer initiatives for our country. There were many excellent presentations that we were able to capture on video that have been digitized. Some are now available for you to view and share with others.



**Let's please make use of them to mobilize prayer across the country and thus see that wall of spiritual protection built up to keep America safe in this time of great vulnerability.**

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## "A New, Innovative Website for Solving World Problems"

"A new website "PeopleFixingTheWorld.Com" asks your help in prayer for the cause of "PEOPLE FIXING THE WORLD" and uniting people of all nations in this effort. It's objective is to get the world community to recognize that we should all raise each other up instead of pulling each other down by making decisions that maximize the benefit to everyone affected. There are 25 ideas on the website that attempt to solve the biggest problems humankind faces at the current time. The originator is asking that you will pray that people around the world see this message and come together to create a much better world in the name of God almighty."

Randy McDonnell, PeopleFixingTheWorld.Com"

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## National Weekend of Prayer to End Human Slavery and Trafficking

Jan 8-10, 2016



Dear Servant Leaders Across America:

We are very honored and blessed for the opportunity to partner with you in ending slavery and trafficking in our nation and beyond. Our complete dependency upon the Father and greater interdependency towards one another is critical in pursuing our worthy cause.

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## Prayer Report from Paris

Thank you for your prayers for us here in Paris. Truly the Lord did a miracle in bringing us (Warwick & Alison Marsh) together with key French intercessors at such short notice to pray outside the Bataclan Theatre.



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## UN Climate Change Conference in Paris, Nov. 3-Dec. 11



Some who have looked into what is behind the current climate change movement and its link to the Agenda 21 effort of the United Nations are concerned that this is not about climatic developments, the evidence for which numerous scientists have challenged. Rather, they allege, it is an effort by global elitists with Marxist and occultist connections who want to establish a new form of global tyranny. Of course, the spiritual being called "the prince of this world" does want to establish greater domination and control, the hallmark of the demonic realm, to enslave humankind through any means and agents that can serve this purpose.

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## Jesus Alliance

I am emailing you today with a great deal of excitement about a very simple, but powerful social media campaign that we are calling "#ShareHope". This effort isn't about the Jesus Alliance or any individual ministry, but is instead an example of how we must work together to share Jesus with the world. People need HOPE and

today we are each being given an opportunity to share it.

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## The Power of Repentance - Miracle in San Francisco

Repentance is greatly under valued in the modern church world. Identificational repentance even more so and yet repentance was the message that laid the foundation for the operation of the power of God in the New Testament.



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## Europe's Migrant Crisis Needs our special prayer!

**Germans Opposed to Mass Migration are "Free to Leave"**

by

**Soeren Kern** \* November 24, 2015



- After factoring in family reunifications, the actual number of migrants could exceed 10 million, and some believe that Germany's Muslim population is on track to nearly quadruple to an astonishing 20 million by 2020.

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## IPC Calendar

2 - 4 Dec, 2015 Finishing the Task Conference

<http://www.finishingthetask.com>

8 - 10 January, 2016 National Weekend of Prayer

10 Feb thru 20 Mar, 2016 Seek God for the City

[www.waymakers.org](http://www.waymakers.org)

16 July 2016 Together 2016

[www.reset2016.com](http://www.reset2016.com)

26 - 30 July 2016 UPRISING: World Youth Prayer Assembly in Seoul, Korea

<http://unitedprayerrising.com/video/>





## The IPC Website

The website consists of the following sections, and we would appreciate it if you could assist us in the following ways:

1. Home: Please send us news of *international prayer-related* interest such as upcoming initiatives and conferences. We will update our calendar regularly with such dates.
2. Regions: Please send us strategic prayer requests and alerts for your nation or region.

Please send your suggestions to the IPC administrator at [office@ipcprayer.org](mailto:office@ipcprayer.org)

## About International Prayer Connect (IPC)



### OUR VISION:

*"Compelled by God to seek Christ's glory worldwide for the blessing, healing, and transforming of the nations, International Prayer Connect exists as a coalition of prayer networkers and mobilizers working together to motivate, develop and equip national movements and local churches to fill all nations with prayer for the fulfillment of the Great Commandment and the completion of the Great Commission."*

### HOW WE OPERATE:

The IPC is not an organization as such. We are a fellowship of people involved in mobilizing prayer throughout the world. We function as an international "network of networks", connecting international, regional, and national prayer ministries and networks. We also arrange or support special prayer initiatives that bring prayer leaders together from time to time to pray for matters of regional and global concern to the Body of Christ. Regional prayer summits have been arranged or supported by the IPC in most regions of the world as well as international prayer initiatives for the United Nations, Hollywood, and other issues.

The IPC is led by an international leadership team, now called the International Prayer Council, is composed of twenty leaders who coordinate regional prayer networks or international prayer initiatives of various kinds. We seek to be catalysts and connectors within the global prayer movement towards the fulfillment of Habakkuk 2:14- that *"the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."*

We do not have an official membership but connect with individuals and networks through *IPC Connections*, a periodical newsletter distributed via e-mail to give prayer information to interested people. Please share this newsletter with prayer coordinators, prayer network leaders, and others who have an interest in the global prayer movement so that they can be informed about different prayer initiatives, existing prayer networks, and how to participate in them.

## Donating to IPC Through PayPal

PayPal is an online banking service that can receive donations from over 30 currencies worldwide through automatic draft and credit cards. It is safe and secure. International Prayer Connect is a non-profit ministry funded through the Transformation Prayer Foundation and relies on individual donations to keep the work going. If you are willing to provide support, please click below. Thank you for your sacrificial gift to IPC! [Click Here to Donate](#)

## Contacting the IPC Office

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IPC Website (free resources and information for all ages):

[www.ipcprayer.org](http://www.ipcprayer.org)

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