

# COMMUNITY PRAYER GUIDE



**“And God said, ‘Let there be light,’ and there was light.” Genesis 1:3**

## Church

Pray for your pastor and church leadership to receive the Lord’s wisdom and power to lead & equip. Pray for local pastors to love each other and walk in unity, so Jesus can be more clearly seen and known. Pray for your church to be equipped in the Word, filled with the Spirit and sent into our community. Pray for **Overflow Hope**: for local churches/people to communicate the Gospel together in love & power.

## Education

Pray for God to lead the process & selection of the next 4J superintendent. Pray for wise, visionary leaders at the highest levels of each district to bring clarity, hope and decisive leadership that is needed for languishing educators. Pray for churches to have the Holy Spirit’s inspiration to support educators and students with God’s grace. Pray for the job openings in schools to be filled by Jesus-followers who have wisdom and solutions.

## Family

Pray for people struggling with suicidal thoughts to find hope, help and loving connection. Pray for families to engage recreation and play time together to bring life, emotional & physical health. Pray for God to raise up and connect more local role models with both kids and parents. Pray for God to strengthen marriages with his love, direction and hope for the future.

## Government

Pray for God’s wisdom to be given to staff and elected officials in our state, county and city governments. Pray for better communication and agreement among local government and private agencies. Pray for God to lead government, church, business & non-profits to effectively shepherd unhoused people.

## Business

Pray for God to join together Jesus-following workplace leaders with His vision for our area. Pray for God to empower local business leaders with wisdom to navigate current challenges. Pray for God to raise up quality employees for businesses despite the labor shortage. Pray for local businesses to increase capacity for the **World Championships** and beyond.

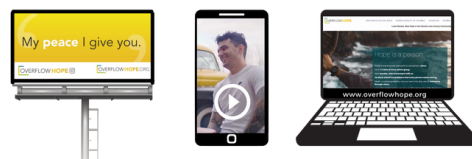
**“In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God & the Word was God.” John 1:1**



Overflow Hope is a Gospel-Sharing initiative on social media that spreads stories of local people sharing why they follow Jesus. A number of billboards will also fill our community with curiosity-provoking Bible phrases. They all point to a website with the Gospel, simple apologetics & a linked list of local churches. Learn more: [onehopenetwork.org/overflow-hope](http://onehopenetwork.org/overflow-hope)

## Pray & Act

Engage Online: Reach People with Every Share!



- 1) Follow on social media: @overflowhope on Instagram @overflowhopelane on Facebook
- 2) Comment, like, share & tag people

## testimony

"AS YOU GO, MAKE DISCIPLES"

Alan prays daily the people God will lead across his path. One day, while having work done on his roof, a young construction worker was highlighted to him. While they were having lunch, the construction worker asked Alan, 'Are you a Christian?' His reply was, "yes," and the young man replied with "I need that in my life." They made plans to meet weekly to talk about Jesus and what it means to be a good dad.

When Alan shared where he went to church, the young man smiled at the coincidence, saying, "My mom goes there, and she picked my kids up this weekend to bring them with her!" God is using Alan to be answer to the prayer of a mother in his church for her prodigal son.

Be encouraged as you pray for the lost and the prodigals in your life, and as you love and share with people throughout your day. God is using His body to reach people, and you may just be the answer to a family member's prayer!

### Pray for Salvation & Prodigals

For God to pour out His Spirit on everyone in our community and draw them to follow Jesus.

### Arts

Pray for the increase of God's vision & a deeper sense of co-creating with God for local artists.  
Pray for artists who don't know Jesus to discover the Creator, and engage the creative process.  
Pray for art and performance venues to have enough support staff to fully open to capacity.

### Health Care

Pray for more funding for "more beds" for residential treatment programs for substance abuse.  
Pray for God to provide more mental health case managers and counselors.  
Pray for working HCPs to have peace, wisdom and joy amid the staffing shortage.  
Pray for the protection, health & strength of all HCPs.  
Pray for Jesus-following HCPs to be filled with Jesus' love and show it to others.

### Police & Fire Departments

Pray for the leadership teams of first responders to be led by God's wisdom & encouragement.  
Pray for God to give plans & abundant personnel for Community Safety for the **Championships**.  
Pray for people of noble character to be hired by law enforcement, as there are many positions.  
Pray for God to guide the process and selection of the next Eugene & Springfield Fire Chief.  
Pray for the wisdom, peace and safety of those serving in our police and fire departments.

### Media

Pray for those in media to have first-hand experiences of God's love through the church.  
Pray for community-building & Jesus-glorifying stories to be reported by TV & newspapers.  
Pray God uses local media to bring hope & help to those struggling with depression & suicide.  
Pray for local media leaders to have clear vision and report all sides of stories.



### behind the requests

#### WORLD TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

This is the first time the event will be held in the United States. More than 2,000 athletes from 190 nations will fill our community for nearly a month, along with families, spectators and the media.

### Sports

Pray for God's peace, protection, and blessing to be on the **World Championships**.  
Pray for all the athletes at the **World Championships** to be drawn by God's Spirit to follow Jesus.  
Pray for God's shalom and wisdom to be upon the "decision makers" of all local athletics.  
Pray for youth to have encouragement and access to participate in local athletics.

**"Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel." 2 Timothy 1:10b**



### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Kids & Family Prayer Guide: [onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide](https://onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide)  
Spanish Prayer Guide: [onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide](https://onehopenetwork.org/community-prayer-guide)  
Answers to Prayer: [onehopenetwork.org/testimonies](https://onehopenetwork.org/testimonies)