Thank you for joining with us to spend a week praying for the city and citizens of Modesto, CA. Please allow the Holy Spirit to lead you in praying for these spheres of influence in our city.

Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-2

1. Government
- Pray for Godly wisdom for our Mayor and all City Council Members as they conduct city business
- Peace, contentment, security, safety and welfare for all citizens; reduction of crime and gang activity; for economic and neighborhood development, increased quality of life in our city
- Bless all city leaders and employees, pray for their safety and welfare; that they would know and honor Christ Jesus
- Bless and ask for Godly wisdom, honesty and integrity for all government elected officials and employees for Modesto, Stanislaus County, State of California and the USA; also for those overseeing safety and who have oversight of our judicial system; that they would become agents of Godly peace and justice
- Fire Department/EMT/paramedics for God’s blessing to rest upon the leadership as well as each and every station, firefighter, paramedic and EMT - the Lord keep the firefighters/EMTs/paramedics strong in spirit, soul, and body
- Police/Sheriff pray for the total safety and wellbeing of every officer for their spouses and children; that all ill and injured officers be healed; that all officers are led to make good and right decisions daily; adequate neighborhood safety coverage city-wide.
- Children to obey and honor their parents; for trust and open communication within the family unit
- Teenagers: pray for their future in the Lord, that they would radically commit their lives to Christ
- Protection, care and support for the unborn, neglected children, and those in foster care
- Care for the elderly by families and agencies
- Disabled individuals to prosper in the community
- Single persons: pray for their future and hopes
- Shelter and provision for homeless or struggling families
- That the families of those in prison would be sustained, protected and provided for
- For excellence in healthcare in our city and the USA. Protection and blessing upon all healthcare professionals and workers.

2. Family & Health
- Thank God for sturdy marriages that reflect God’s faithfulness, unity, hope, love, and respect for one another.
- For spiritual, mental and physical wellbeing of families and individuals.
- Fathers and mothers to have Godly wisdom and discernment in raising children. That they would model good character, integrity and honesty
- Reconciliation between family members; healing of broken families; peace in all relationships
- For laborers to be sent into the harvest for souls
- For the church to keep her first love, Jesus Christ, and to demonstrate the Word of God with their lives and words.
- For the hurting in our neighborhoods to see the love, grace, and mercy of Jesus Christ through us
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3. Citywide Church & Ministries
- For the community to see the unity of the body of Christ through our actions; that we reflect Jesus
- For God to supply financial and human resources for His ministries throughout our city
- Bless and ask for protection for pastors/ministry leaders, their spouses and families; pray for refreshing encouragement for all who serve.
- Christians to become mature disciples in Christ, loving one another and others as He has loved us
- For laborers to be sent into the harvest for souls
- For the church to keep her first love, Jesus Christ, and to demonstrate the Word of God with their lives and words.
- For the hurting in our neighborhoods to see the love, grace, and mercy of Jesus Christ through us
4. Education
• Thank God for our schools and educators
• Pray that Superintendents and School Board Members have Godly wisdom to deal with organizational and curriculum issues
• Strong leadership for Christian groups on campuses to promote prayer, mission, vision and a Godly life.
• Ask God to lift morality and bless each person who works within the school districts
• That school staff will have Godly wisdom, enhanced compassion for, and will nurture the students
• Bless the leadership of every department.
• That God’s peace would rest upon all school-age children and college students
• Pray for health and safety for the employees and students and for wisdom, guidance and unity of purpose for the staff throughout the school year.
• Ask God to provide mentors for the students that have the greatest need
• Children to be and feel safe at school

5. Business
• Business owners/employees would have the strength to do business God’s way. To work with integrity and be agents for fairness and good value to customers
• That they see the marketplace and workplace as ministry; the workweek would be an extension of the biblical values that guide us in all areas of life
• That business owners will be fair, honorable, wise and encouraging to employees and customers
• That employees will work as unto the Lord with diligence and grace to fellow workers and to the customers they serve
• That everyone in business world would work with grace so that God is honored and given glory
• That God would grant His favor on individuals and companies whose motives and methods are pleasing to Him
• Pray for the Gospel to spread in the marketplace

6. Arts/Entertainment/Sports
• Arts would reflect and glorify God; that all they do would express His creativity, glory and beauty.
• That God’s favor would be upon, and that He would prosper, those who are glorifying Him in the arts and the entertainment world
• That the performing arts organizations that promote godly characteristics would have the needed support to prosper and thrive
• Thanks for the many wholesome entertainment options available in our community
• Lift up our parks that they provide good clean fun and are safe places for children and all citizens
• For teachers, personal trainers, and coaches who are believers to model Christ and utilize any platform God provides to proclaim the Gospel with knowledge, wisdom and compassion
• For coaches to be prepared, passionate, gentle, enthusiastic, concerned with development of character, as well as, physical skills as they mold boys and girls
• God would call more believers to influence arts, entertainment and sports

7. Media
• Newspapers, magazines, television, radio, social media and websites that shape our opinions would share news and information accurately, and be fair, balanced, and as complete as possible.
• Advertising words and images would be honest
• That the role of faith in people’s lives would be portrayed accurately and appropriately in all coverage of our community.
• That dark, ungodly issues and activities would not be portrayed as something to be desired or celebrated, but would be presented as something that needs attention and correction.
• People working in the media will take seriously the role and responsibility they have in our community and free society; opinions, commentaries, blogs and discussions of issues and events would be civil and constructive
• Media workers will be men and women of integrity, holding to the highest standards of honesty, accuracy and fairness; setting aside any personal preferences and undue influences.
• For Christians who work in the media that they would understand God has positioned them for a special purpose and that strong faith in God and a journalist’s skepticism are not mutually exclusive; that they would remember they are salt and light for those they work for and with.
• That Christian media workers would not become discouraged in the course of covering the darkness of the world, remembering the stories can mobilize Christians to pray and act; that cynicism among all media workers would be lifted and replaced with hope and virtue.
• That God would call more believers to serve in the media and that there would be many salvations among those who currently serve.