

# The Canadian Christian & Missionary Alliance in Canada

## Vision Prayer



O God, with all our hearts we long to be:

- a movement of churches
- transformed by Christ,
- transforming Canada and the world.

By your grace and for your glory:

- Renew and empower us through a fresh encounter with yourself
- Release us to be strategic in service, kingdom-connected in practice, passionate in pursuit of your mission and mercy

Use us to fulfill your purpose for Canada and the world

“WITH ALL OUR HEARTS...”

- **Seek** out 4-5 others. Pray the Lord to “Unite my heart to fear Your name... Ps. 86:11b”
- **Confess** any reserve to pray this prayer wholeheartedly.
- **Acknowledge** that to pray this prayer is to **commit** to it, to **sacrifice** toward its completion and to **engage** with other churches to accomplish it.
- **Request** that half-hearted devotion be replaced with a growing yearning that God have His way among us as a movement of churches.

A MOVEMENT OF CHURCHES...

- **Repent** of any attitude or behavior that stops churches from looking beyond themselves. Start with yourself.
- **Name** whatever ingrown thinking needs to leave your own congregation and **renounce** it.
- **Pray** for your congregation to **develop** “new wineskins” for “new wine”—new strategies, new forms, and new approaches to reach a changing society with the gospel.
- Ask God for fresh strategies to **partner** with the Alliance church(es) nearest to you to touch your community.
- Ask the Lord for partnerships with other churches (name them specifically) and **commit** to working with them.

TRANSFORMED BY CHRIST...

*You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you...*

- Ask that our movement be “transformed by the renewing of [our] mind”. Begin with yourself.
- Pray for the C&MA to be open to, and utterly committed to the life-changing, the radical and the new, even as we stand in our heritage.
- Pray for **personal transformation**—name an area that needs to be changed in your own life.
- Pray for **congregational transformation**—name an area that needs to be changed in your church

## CANADA AND THE WORLD...

*Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, the ends of the earth...*

- Pray for our nation—the government—that Godly agendas be required through minority rule.
- Pray for a missionary you know by name in a cross-cultural situation. Ask God to provide inspiration. Ask God if you are to be a provider.
- Pray for an utterly unreached people group—those under the domination of Islam, closed Hindu and Buddhist nations, etc.

## A FRESH ENCOUNTER...

- Pray for each other that Jesus grant a fresh “baptism in the Holy Spirit” resulting in holiness, power for service and new release of spiritual gifts not known before.
- Pray for our leaders—local pastors, DS’s, the president and vice-presidents by name—that the Spirit of the Lord revisit their lives in remarkable new ways.
- Pray that we corporately would receive a fresh infilling of the Lord’s Spirit as He leads us to transform others.

## STRATEGIC IN SERVICE...

*Get up and go to a street called straight... Acts 9:11*

- Pray for our national, district and local leaders to do the things that succeed and to drop the things that are no longer relevant.
- In your own church, name what needs to be dropped and what needs to be developed/occur to reach your area.

## KINGDOM-CONNECTED

*“Preach... ‘the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons...’” Matt 10:7-8*

- Pray that our churches put “first the kingdom of God and His righteousness”—that budgets, decisions, staffing—all reflect kingdom values.
- Pray that the powers of darkness be embarrassed, as the kingdom of Satan is expelled through our obedience.
- Pray that healings, deeper life, deliverance from demonic influences occurs as we plant churches, learning institutions and send workers around the world.

## PASSIONATE IN PURSUIT...

*I did not prove disobedient to the heavenly vision...Acts 26:19*

- Pray that God would come to our aid in three ways (name people in each category):
  - a) to raise up fresh energy among the discouraged, the grieving, and the wounded
  - b) to rekindle the fire of the weary, and
  - c) to embrace the determination of the impassioned

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