



THE PRAYER INSTITUTE

"Taking the World by Prayer!"

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WE ARE

A community outreach organization whose purpose is to pray effective, efficacious prayers that will produce God's plans on earth and build an army of praying believers.

OUR VISION

"Taking the world by prayer!"

OUR MISSION

To pray and to teach people how to pray

OUR PRAYER FOCUS

Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying.
~ Romans 12:12 NLT

Given the local, national and international news reports that we get from a number of sources on a daily basis, it is easy to wonder what the world is coming to, to lean towards uncertainty at times, to waver in your faith every now and then. It is human to have those feelings, but isn't it comforting to know that as believers, we can immediately act on those feelings with prayer that produces results?

Now more than ever, the answer to our everyday living is prayer. When we apply this powerful God-given, two-way communications tool consistently, our lives, communities and the world change for the better.

In 2019, The Prayer Institute (TPI) increased its online and on-the-ground capacity to offer prayer and prayer-related services. We were blessed with a growing number of volunteer ambassadors who positively impacted the areas of education and healthcare through active prayers and prayer walks. Our social media reached more people around the world with strategic written prayers, daily blessings and Scriptures. Prayer Power Line ministers responded to a greater number of prayer requests. Bible studies continued, and the Praying to Change Your Life 102 class was presented for the first time in ten years.



This annual report reveals a year of successful outcomes and proof of the power of prayer through the testimonies of just a few of the hundreds of individuals who share their praise reports with TPI. On the next two pages, you will read about Joe Anderson, whose persistent faith, belief in prayer and trust in God, along with hard work, helped him achieve the desires of his heart.

Thank you for your support of the mission and vision of The Prayer Institute over this past year. We invite you to continue to join us in **“taking the world by prayer!”**

God bless you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Suzette T. Caldwell'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Pastor Suzette T. Caldwell



JOE ANDERSON SAT DOWN WITH PASTOR SUZETTE CALDWELL AT HIS CHICK-FIL-A RESTAURANT TO SHARE HIS JOURNEY FROM TRIALS TO TRIUMPH.



Backstory: In August of 2018, Joe Anderson, a Houston native, high school track and field star, and double-major college graduate, became the owner and operator of a Houston Chick-Fil-A. Despite being raised in a \$10,000-a-year household of five, a career-ending injury that deferred his dream to run in the Olympics, a “no” to his initial effort to become a Chick-Fil-A franchise owner, and the death of his father two days before he began a life-changing assignment, Joe stood on his faith and achieved his goal of business ownership.

:: JOE’S PRAISE REPORT ::

Pastor Suzette (P.S.): Joe, please tell us about your childhood and some of the keys to your success in business.

Joe Anderson (J.A.): I had a good upbringing with my mother and father. I was always in church and had a great spiritual background. When I graduated

from college, I knew I wanted to be an entrepreneur. Chick-Fil-A offered the opportunity to be an owner and operator of one of their restaurants. I decided to pursue that role.

P.S.: *What attracted you to Chick-Fil-A?*

J.A.: I chose Chick-Fil-A because of the morals and culture of the company. That was big for me. Also, I wanted to be with an organization that invested in the growth and development of its people. Overall, Chick-Fil-A is an extremely caring company, and I wanted to join them in expressing how much we care about our customers and employees.

P.S.: *There must have been challenges along the way. Please share some of those.*

J.A.: There were many different challenges I had to cope with on the road to entrepreneurship. I had to overcome my low confidence, emotional intelligence and self-awareness as I was trying to learn and adjust to an environment I had never experienced. Additionally, I had to deal with the tragedy of losing my father. As I look back over the years, including this past year, I would describe the process as crushing, but it molded me in a way that transformed the old me into a new product.

P.S.: *You overcame some really big obstacles. Did you ever think, maybe I can’t reach this goal?*

J.A.: I’m not going to say there weren’t times when I thought about giving up, but it was not for me to give up. Just because something is challenging doesn’t mean that you run away from it. Doubt and fear can creep up on you, but that’s just our



dream of owning and operating a Chick-Fil-A was going to happen soon. However, that was not the case; it took seven years to achieve my goal.

It was a long process, but I encourage others who are pursuing a dream that God has placed on their hearts to stay with it and keep praying, and they will conquer any obstacle and eventually win. Continue to trust in God. You may not know what He has in store for you, but if you truly believe in Him, things will turn out in your favor.

flesh talking, which will happen. When you understand who you are and where your core and identity lie - which for me, is in Christ - you can continue to press forward and overcome any barrier.

P.S.: *Tell us about the role of prayer and faith in your journey to success.*

J.A.: I remember when I had recently started with Chick-Fil-A as a manager, and there was a lot of stress and transitioning going on. I needed energy and encouragement. **I decided to go to The Prayer Institute's Prayer Explosion conference one evening**, although it had been a long day. It was very uplifting for my spirit. At one point, they called individuals up to the front who wanted prayer. The woman who prayed with me looked at me and asked me if I was in business. I told her that I was and what I wanted to pursue. **She told me that I would get all the desires of my heart. God just needed to know that I trusted Him.**

When I left the session that evening, and for days afterward, I kept thinking that my



Joe Anderson's story was featured in The PraiseReport, with Pastor Suzette T. Caldwell on Social Media. Please follow Pastor Suzette on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for additional uplifting stories about God's abundant blessings in the lives of His people.



In 2019, our communities partnered with us, united in prayer in alignment with God's will in order to implement His blessings on earth in ten key world systems that impact lives daily.



Our global prayer initiative, The ONE PROJECT, which unifies and empowers believers to pray strategic and productive prayers, experienced yet another increase from 700 to nearly 900 individuals in 2019. The ONE PROJECT participants represent a variety of professions and vocations. Following an initial online request, these professionals receive written prayers every two weeks. Over 120 written prayers cover an array of topics and are tailored to address the specific needs of participants based on their interests and/or professional focus.

PRAISE REPORTS - The Power of Prayer



An Educational Triumph! *"I teach in Stafford (TX) M.S.D. Through an invitation, I attended The Prayer Institute's (TPI) Boots on the Ground training. I also finished Prayer 101. Both were a benefit and blessing to me. During the last Boots on the Ground training, many of the teachers were planning to create a STAAR test prayer. We were instructed that TPI already had a prayer so we could concentrate on other areas. I read that prayer in my class daily until we tested. I even shared it. My test results did not come back till the summer because I teach 6th grade and we tested in May. **My students had 94% passing, which is amazing. I was overjoyed, ecstatic, and elated.** I work very hard. I am usually at school from sunup till sundown, but I know God was all in this. Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! I know your prayer was the difference. **I did my best, and God did the rest.**" – Colby Davis*

A Medical Breakthrough! *"I want to share my gratitude to the Lord God Almighty! I am expecting to be discharged from the hospital shortly after an extended stay following a major emergency. The hospitalization was caused by an adverse reaction to prescribed medication. Scripture tells us that the effective, fervent prayers of the righteous avail much, and I want to tell you that this has never been more true in my life! Several members of the Windsor Village Prayer Ministry's - Miracles and Healing team, the pastoral staff, my sister and The Prayer Institute, including Pastor Suzette, visited and prayed for me directly while other prayer ministers served as intercessors. And, several times, I used my prayer training and the authority Jesus gave us and prayed for my situation on my own, especially in the early morning hours. **The Lord answered those prayers, and my situation moved from a mysterious, life-threatening emergency to having my health restored and clarity on the underlying cause.***



As I prepare to get out of the hospital, I am forever grateful to the Holy Spirit for stepping in and saving my life! Glory to God, and my sincere thanks to those who prayed with me and for me." – Nary Spears



BOOTS ON THE GROUND

Over the past year, our community outreach initiative, Boots On The Ground (BOTG), strengthened its mission of **“empowering and equipping workplace professionals to pray God’s will in the workplace as it is in Heaven”** by providing extensive training to our Ambassadors, organizing and hosting citywide *PrayerWalk* events and acknowledging the leaders in the community through Appreciation Events.



By the end of 2019, membership grew significantly, as we added 246 new recruits, bringing the total to 381 Ambassadors. The Boots on the Ground Ambassadors, which represent thirteen independent school districts, two private schools, seven colleges, fourteen medical facilities and two private practices worked together to conduct *PrayerWalk* events for schools and healthcare facilities in the Greater Houston area.



With the support of our BOTG leadership team, which consists of a group of professionals from education and healthcare, we trained over 75% of our BOTG members. The training focused on how to implement prayer in the workplace and in the greater community through three training modules.



<p>Module 1 Orientation & The Model Prayer</p>	<p>Module 2 The Model Prayer (Part 2)</p>	<p>Module 3 How to be Led by the Holy Spirit in the Workplace</p>
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Propelled to action by our vision and mission, our dedicated staff and volunteers respond to requests that enable them to speak, educate and pray where people worship, work, live and gather.



In 2019: We continued to fulfill our mission **“To Pray and Teach People How to Pray”** by working with small groups to facilitate Community Bible Studies and Prayer Training Classes. We opened the year with a prayer study at Christ Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Our Bible Study group What-A-Study of Memorial Houston, which encourages women to make themselves available to God by becoming an instrument of ministry, saw an increase in membership. Additionally, several members of the group emerged as leaders who began to host the weekly studies. Others enrolled to be trained as instructors of The Praying To Change Your Life Course.

In addition to hosting studies and joining our team of trained instructors, many *What-A-Study* participants partnered with us to serve as Prayer Institute Ambassadors.

As a result, of those passionate ladies, we saw an increase in word-of-mouth recruitment in support of our events, daily programming and fundraising efforts.

The Praying to Change Your Life course has been a blessing in my life. I see and feel God moving in my life and in the life of my family in magnanimous ways. I will continue the work of making my prayers more life changing. Your training has positioned me to connect with God in an increasingly meaningful way and more effectively serve the people and communities I work within.-MM



Over 50 new students completed the course **Praying to Change Your Life: Prayer 101**, the foundational class that provides the signature “how-to” training on constructing and praying God-centered, effective prayers that use the Lord’s Prayer as a model.

Praying to Change Your Life: Prayer 102 returned this year to a warm reception. **Prayer 101** graduates were eager to enroll in the **Prayer 102** session in order to expand their knowledge of constructing strategic prayers.



Representatives of The Prayer Institute were invited to pray and speak at various community gatherings, including the Greater Houston Prayer Breakfast, the National Prayer Breakfast, The African American Mayors Prayer Breakfast and the Texas-Oklahoma Alliance. National prayer calls were made for Hurricanes Dorian, Humberto and Imelda. We continue to build our relationship with The Get Together, which fosters networking among business professionals and non-profit ministry leaders during its monthly meetings.

A small team from our staff was invited to provide a weekend prayer training workshop for the Western Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church. Participants were taught an abbreviated version of the **Praying To Change Your Life** Course during the workshop where they learned the six components of the Model Prayer and received tips on writing strategic, targeted prayers.



We hosted our **1st Annual Pastors' Breakfast** to continue our efforts to unite believers to pray God's will in our city, nation and world. A group of pastors and faith-based community leaders gathered to learn about our prayer training opportunities. Five of the attendees requested our training services for their staff or congregants.

LifeMatters

LifeMatters for Young Adults made its debut in the fall of 2019. Over the course of six weeks, nearly 75 young adults ranging in age from 18-30 years old participated in an intimate, open forum discussion led by Pastor Suzette Caldwell and a team of experts. The team covered an array of relevant, life-supporting topics and provided the participants with practical communication tools, biblical resources and community supports.

Dr. Evelyn E. Thornton Scholarships : : Awarded : :

Scholarships were awarded in two areas to candidates who successfully met objectives, including four graduating high school students and one post-baccalaureate student. The S.T.E.M. scholarships were awarded to Ms. Chandler Rasberry (Howard University), Ms. Alivia E. Howard (UT Permian Basin), and Mr. Derius Knowles (Texas Tech University). Our general Academic scholarships were awarded to Ms. Jordan Black (Savannah College of Art and Design) and Ms. LeEtta E. Harris (Houston Baptist University).

Three S.T.E.M. Scholarships Awarded



Mr. Derius Knowles

Texas Tech, University, Engineering Major, Freshman, Fall 2019



Ms. Chandler Rasberry

Howard University, Biology/PreMed Major, Freshman, Fall 2019



Ms. Alivia E. Howard

University of Texas @ Permian Basin, Computer Science Major, Freshman, Fall 2019

Two General Academic Scholarships Awarded



Ms. Jordan Black

Savannah College of Art and Design, Freshman, Fall 2019



Ms. LeEtta E. Harris

Houston Baptist University, Graduate Student, Pursuing Doctor of Education Executive Educational Leadership



THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA AND THE WORLD WIDE WEB



THANKS TO THE ROBERT AND JANICE MCNAIR FOUNDATION, WE ARE ABLE TO REACH THE WORLD THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA.

In 2019, The Prayer Institute (TPI) reached more than 600,000 people representing over 55 countries who followed, engaged with or shared (TPI) messages through Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, The Prayer Institute Website and The ONE Project. The top five countries outside of the United States that received prayer communications were Jamaica, Nigeria, the Philippines, South Africa and the United Kingdom.

Through the power of social media over various platforms, The Prayer Institute's (TPI) followers were given access to resources that equip, empower and encourage believers on their Christian journey. Followers received daily blessings and Scriptures, heard anointed inspirational messages and gained access to download powerful prayers on a variety of diverse topics.

"Thank you for all your daily blessings and also thank you for praying for my granddaughter. Blessings to you!" -KB

"Thank you for your prayers and concern for our families. It is such a blessing to know someone cares and shows how much they care about the personal lives of others. AMEN and thank you again!" -AB



Following The Prayer Institute...

- 12,100 on Facebook
- 4,500 on Instagram

The Prayer Institute celebrated the goodness of the Lord with the 8th Annual *PrayerWorks* Luncheon. Each year, the luncheon serves as a designated time to praise God for His faithfulness, celebrate prayer results, honor those who walk boldly in prayer, lift up college students with academic scholarships and raise funds to increase the power of prayer worldwide. In November, Friends of the Prayer Institute gathered at the Hilton Houston Post Oak Hotel to applaud the efforts of our honoree, Mrs. Janice McNair, and highlight the contributions of the staff, Ambassadors and Prayer Institute supporters.

The 2019 luncheon theme was "A Jazz Affair." Guests were welcomed with the sounds of acclaimed vocalist Yvonne Washington, guitarist Joe Carmouche and The Darrell Johnson Group as we witnessed testimonials about the power of prayer.



THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS, THE EVENT RAISED MORE THAN \$136,000 TO SUPPORT THE PRAYER INSTITUTE'S VISION OF "TAKING THE WORLD BY PRAYER!"

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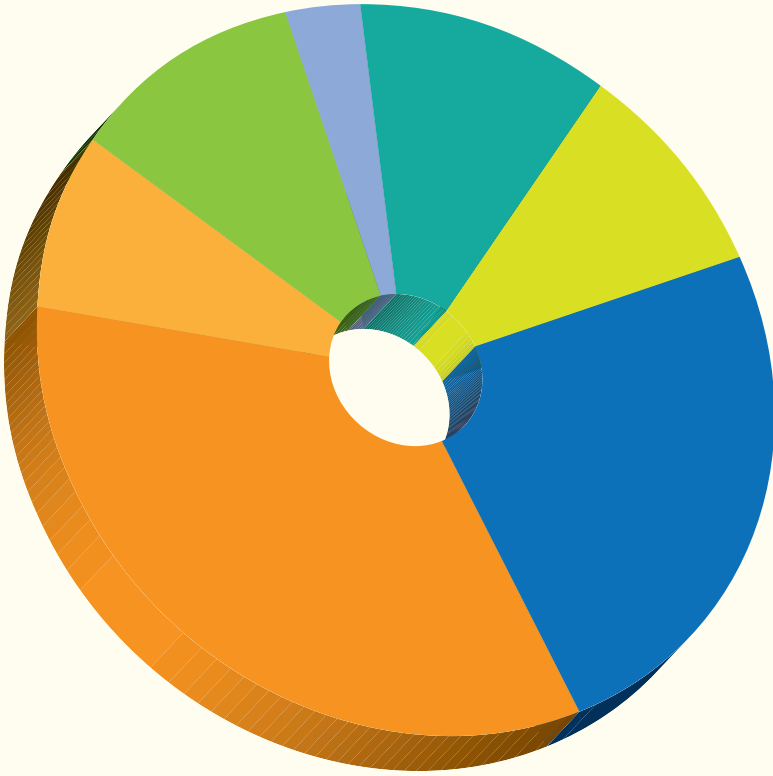
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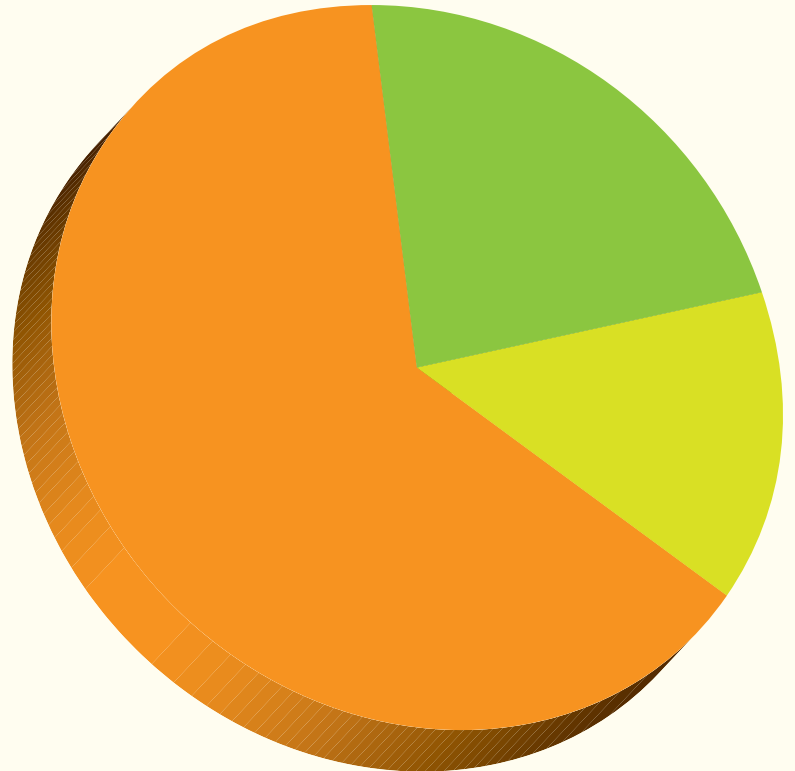


SUPPORT & REVENUE

Individual Contributions	\$ 44,316
Business Contributions	\$ 37,000
Gifts	\$ 98,000
Fall Fundraiser	\$ 136,548
Product/Class Materials Sales	\$ 33,379
Rental Income	\$ 43,961
Dividend Income	\$ 12,569
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$ 405,773

OPERATING EXPENSES

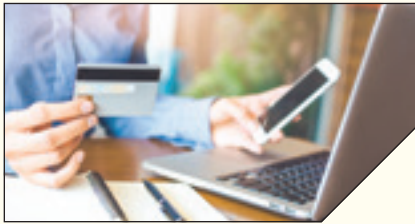
Program Services Expenses	\$ 75,000
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 48,666
Administration Expenses	\$ 220,837*
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 344,503



*Historical staffing at The Prayer Institute has included two full-time and two part-time positions. The two full-time positions were both filled during the 2019 budget year, but for less than the entire period. When all staff positions are filled, Operations Expenses track Support and Revenue closely.

Give Financially

Our vision, *“taking the world by prayer,”* is bold but it becomes achievable with financial support. Please consider becoming a Friend of The Prayer Institute with a gift of any size and we will give it the stewardship it deserves.



Profit from Study

You are invited to join one of the community Bible studies currently being conducted or we’d love to host a Bible study in your community. Find a study near you or contact us.



Request Prayer

If you are in need of prayer, please submit a prayer request by going online to The Prayer Institute website and selecting the Prayer Request tab. You can also call the Prayer Power Line, Monday through Friday, at 713.721.4821.



Take Prayer to Work

Our Partners in Prayer are available to pray with you, your business or your organization and your colleagues. Connect with us today!



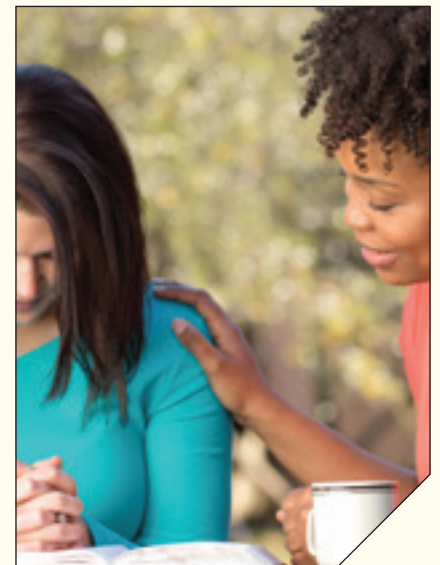
Change Your Life

The Prayer Institute has plenty of resources for all ages to help enhance your prayer, spiritual and everyday life. Download prayers on specific topics, sign up for A Praying to Change Your Life class or host a small-group study on Praying to Change Your Life. You may also purchase books, DVDs and other products.



Put Prayer in Action

Join our Ambassadors Services Team where you have the opportunity to serve the community and pray for people locally and globally about issues that affect us all. We provide training, written prayers and the support you need to pray and implement God’s will on earth. Unite with us today!

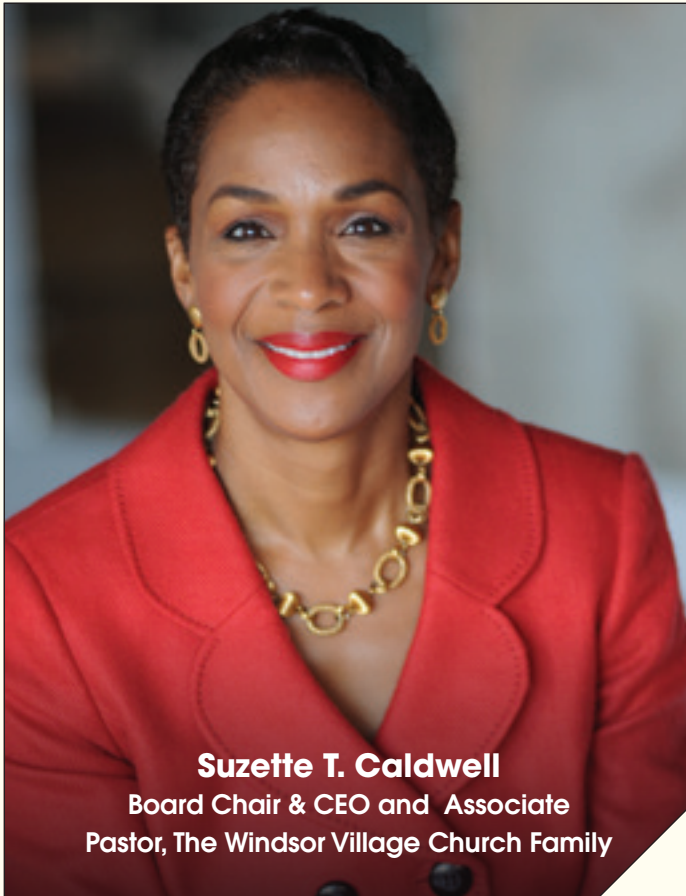


Share Your Testimony

We celebrate prayer results! Please share what the Lord has done for you through prayer.



To take action on any of the opportunities listed above, go to www.prayerinstitute.com. Also, receive daily blessings and encouragement by liking **Suzette T. Caldwell** on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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"Jesus gave us the specific instructions we would need in order to pray effective, fervent prayers!

The Model Prayer contains six powerful sections the Lord wants us to use to communicate with Him and on His behalf. Each section of The Model Prayer found in Matthew 6 is vital to producing God's plans on earth as it is in Heaven."
- Pastor Suzette Caldwell

Section 1: Intimate Praise and Worship

"Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your Name."

(Verse 9)

Section 2: Praying God's Will

"Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

(Verse 10)

Section 3: Praying for Your Needs

"Give us this day our daily bread."

(Verse 11)

Section 4: Praying for Forgiveness

"And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."

(Verse 12)

Section 5: Praying for Protection

"And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

(Verse 13a)

Section 6: Kingdom Praise and Worship

"For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen." (Verse 13b)



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