

## 52 Week - 50 State U.S.A. Prayer Guide

The first two weeks are to pray and fast for the nation's governmental leadership. Then pray for each state for one week in the order that they joined the Union.

By the year's end we will see all 50 states have a **covenant root** established or deepened as we build a highway of prayer across the nation from state to state.

States are listed in the order they joined the union, with a phrase from the preamble of each state's constitution or other foundation document acknowledging God.

1 **Delaware** - 12.7.1787

"all men have, by nature, the rights of worshipping and serving their Creator..."

2 **Pennsylvania** - 12.12.1787

"grateful to Almighty God..."

3 **New Jersey** - 12.18.1787

"grateful to Almighty God..."

4 **Georgia** - 1.2.1788

"relying on protection and guidance of Almighty God..."

5 **Connecticut** - 1.9.1788

"acknowledging with gratitude the good providence of God..."

6 **Massachusetts** - 2.6.1788

"acknowledging, with grateful hearts the goodness of the Great Legislator of the universe..."

7 **Maryland** - 4.26.1788

"grateful to Almighty God..."

8 **South Carolina** - 5.23.1788

"grateful to God..."

9 **New Hampshire** - 6.21.1788

"unalienable right to worship God"

10 **Virginia** - 6.25.1788

"the duty...we owe our Creator"

11 **New York** - 7.26.1788

"grateful to Almighty God..."

12 **North Carolina** 11.21.1789

"grateful to Almighty God..."

13 **Rhode Island** - 5.29.1790

"grateful to Almighty God..."

14 **Vermont** - 3.4.1791

"the Author of Existence..."

15 **Kentucky** - 6.1.1792

"grateful to Almighty God..."

16 **Tennessee** - 6.1.1796

"right to worship Almighty God"

17 **Ohio** - 3.1.1803

"grateful to Almighty God..."

18 **Louisiana** - 4.30.1812

"grateful to Almighty God..."

19 **Indiana** - 12.11.1816

"grateful to Almighty God..."

20 **Mississippi** - 12.10.1817

"grateful to Almighty God..."

21 **Illinois** - 12.3.1818

"grateful to Almighty God..."

22 **Alabama** - 12.14.1819

"invoking the favor and guidance of Almighty God..."

23 **Maine** - 3.15.1820

"acknowledging the goodness of the Sovereign Ruler of the universe..."

24 **Missouri** - 8.10.1821

"with profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the universe..."

25 **Arkansas** - 6.15.1836

"grateful to Almighty God..."

26 **Michigan** - 1.26.1837

"grateful to Almighty God..."

27 **Florida** - 3.3.1845

"grateful to Almighty God..."

28 **Texas** - 12.29.1845

"acknowledging with gratitude the grace and beneficence of God"

29 **Iowa** - 12.28.1846

"grateful to the Supreme Being..."

30 **Wisconsin** - 5.29.1848

"grateful to Almighty God..."

31 **California** - 9.9.1850

"grateful to Almighty God..."

32 **Minnesota** - 5.11.1858

"grateful to God..."

33 **Oregon** - 2.14.1859

"right to worship Almighty God..."

34 **Kansas** - 1.29.1861

"grateful to Almighty God..."

35 **West Virginia** - 6.20.1863

"reaffirm our faith in and constant reliance upon God..."

36 **Nevada** - 10.31.1864

"grateful to Almighty God..."

37 **Nebraska** - 3.1.1867

"grateful to Almighty God..."

38 **Colorado** - 8.1.1876

"with profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the universe..."

39 **North Dakota** - 11.2.1889

"grateful to Almighty God..."

40 **South Dakota** - 11.2.1889

"grateful to Almighty God..."

41 **Montana** - 11.8.1889

"grateful to Almighty God..."

42 **Washington** - 11.11.1889

"grateful to the Supreme Ruler of the universe..."

43 **Idaho** - 7.3.1890

"grateful to Almighty God..."

44 **Wyoming** - 7.10.1890

"grateful to God..."

45 **Utah** - 1.4.1896

"Grateful to Almighty God..."

46 **Oklahoma** - 11.16.1907

"Invoking the guidance of Almighty God..."

47 **New Mexico** - 1.6.1912

"grateful to Almighty God..."

48 **Arizona** - 2.14.1912

"grateful to Almighty God..."

49 **Alaska** - 1.3.1959

"grateful to God..."

50 **Hawaii** - 8.21.1959

"grateful for Divine guidance..."

## Covenant Peoples

Both God's chosen people, Israel, and the earliest settlers and the founders of the United States of America established their identity as peoples in covenant with Him. God calls His people now to unite and declare His redemptive Word over the U.S.A. and His people, Israel

Thought starters for prayers of **Praise, Penitence, Petition, Proclamation, Protection, Pronouncement, and Prophecy** to pray over our nation - one for each day of the week:

**Praise:** We praise You, Lord, for You are good and Your mercies endure forever. You are enthroned over America and Israel thru the praises of Your people. Honor, power, might and dominion are Yours forever. Amen!

**Penitence:** LORD, we are in distress for the iniquity which is upon us. We ask Your forgiveness for having other gods before You, for serving the god of Mammon, for our pride and arrogance and for shedding innocent blood.

**Petition:** We cry for justice, mercy, truth and righteousness to be established. We pray for the wisdom, truth and discernment of God to guide all in authority over America and Israel. Pull down the ungodly and raise up the righteous. Jeremiah 1:10

**Proclamation:** Father, You are our place of refuge. We will trust in You and not be afraid. We proclaim Your name, Jehovah Nissi, for You are our Deliverer. Come, Lord of heaven's armies, and thrust out our enemies before us.

**Protection:** LORD, mighty in battle, awaken your watchmen to their assignments for our nation, cities and families. Equip us with your weapons for war. We call for Your angels to protect Your people. Lead us in fulfilling Your good purpose for our generation. Daniel 11:32

**Pronouncement:** We speak Your judgment on the powers of darkness. We place our nation, cities and families under the covenant of Jesus' blood. As we seek Your face and repent of our sins, we pronounce that no weapon formed against us will prosper. Father God, may all Your enemies bow in submission to Your word and confess that Jesus Christ is LORD. Is. 54:17

**Prophecy:** We declare blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD! Blessed are the people whom You have chosen as Your inheritance. The devil's trap for us is broken and we have escaped for our help is in Your name, LORD. We prophesy over our lands: life, a bright future, hope, and fulfilled destiny.

## Bible References:

"Happy is the people whose God is the Lord, the people He chose to be His own." Psalm 33:12

"Happy are the people whose God is the Lord! Psalm 144:15

"Righteousness lifts up a nation, but sin is the disgrace of people." Proverbs 14:34

"Ask, pray, plead and give thanks for all people, for kings and all who are over us, so that we may live quietly and peacefully and be godly and noble in every way. This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to know the truth." 1 Timothy 2:1-4

## From Our Nation's History

William Bradford journals the Pilgrims asking God's blessing at the dock as they began their journey and thanking Him for that blessing on arriving at Cape Cod. They declare in The Mayflower Compact (Nov.11, 1620) "Having undertaken, for the glory of God and advancement of the Christian faith...a voyage to plant the first colony, (we) in the presence of God and one of another, covenant and combine ourselves into a civil body politic."

On July 4, 1776 the Continental Congress representing the 13 United States of America unanimously adopted The Declaration Of Independence. In it they acknowledged God as the giver of human rights: "all men...are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights..." They conclude the Declaration, "We, therefore,...appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions...And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

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We have seen biblical rights again being stripped from our society and the resulting distress of our nation. This must be a wake-up call to pray for our nation more than we have ever done before.

Resources: usroute50.com - ifapray.org - ndptf.org - manhattandecoration.org - dutchsheets.org -

"The Light and the Glory" & "From Sea to Shining Sea." Peter Marshall & David Manuel - Both books document God's role in our nation's history.

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