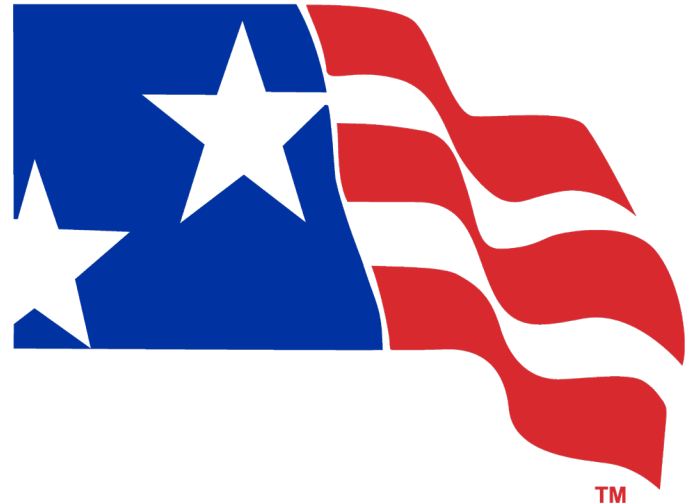


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2026 Media and Communications Kit

Resources on the National Day of Prayer
Task Force Prayer Mobilization Efforts

EXECUTIVE BRIEF

AMERICA'S PRAYER GATHERING - MAY 7th

In 2026, we are in the midst of a historic and holy moment - as we celebrate our nation's 250th anniversary, the 75th National Day of Prayer stands as a sacred milestone.

Americans across the country will gather on the National Day of Prayer in parks, churches, schools, and statehouses to lift up prayers and petitions to God, followed by an evening National Broadcast hosted by the National Day of Prayer Task Force from the U.S. Capitol Washington D.C. The Broadcast will be a culminating event; a prayer gathering available in every home in America to unite our hearts in prayer.

This year we call our fellow Americans to join us in prayer and participation as together we glorify God among the nations and seek Him in every generation.

THEME AND FOCUS

Each year the NDP Task Force president asks the Lord for a theme to unify and guide prayers. This year's theme is a call to know the Word, will, and ways of God, and to give Him glory.

2026 Theme: "Glorify God Among the Nations – Seeking Him in All Generations"

2026 Theme verse: "Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples." 1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB

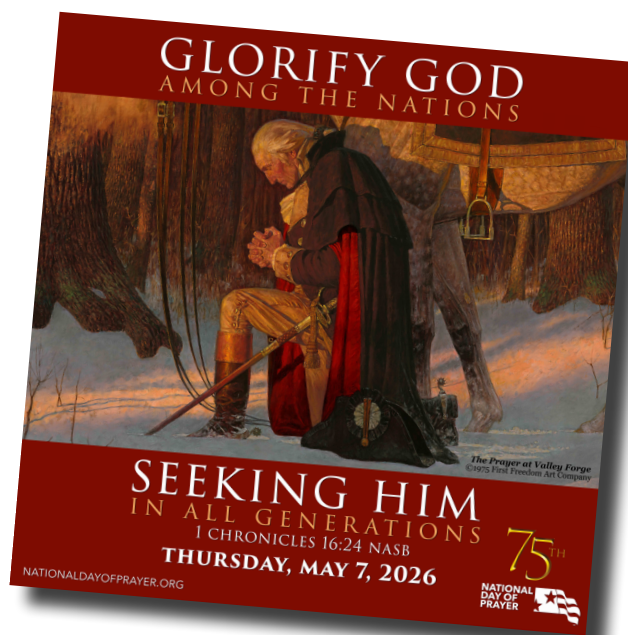
The annual theme art casts a visual inspiration for prayers around the theme. This year, through a licensing agreement with First Freedom Art Company, Arnold Friberg's iconic painting, "The Prayer At Valley Forge" is the 2026 theme art, reminding us of all the answered prayers that we are living in as we celebrate 250 years as a nation, and inviting us all to continue to cry out to God in every season and circumstance.

NOTE: Only pre-made graphics, videos, and imagery that is produced by the National Day of Prayer Task Force may be utilized for digital, print, and promotional purposes. No alterations or adaptations of any kind may be made to any graphic, video, or image that includes imagery from "The Prayer at Valley Forge. Thank you for your help in honoring the agreement that we have made.

ABOUT THE MINISTRY

The National Day of Prayer Task Force is led by our President, Kathy Branzell and governed by a nine-member Board of Directors, who also preside over the National Prayer Committee. The mission of the NDP Task Force is to mobilize unified, public Prayer in America.

The efforts of the National Day of Prayer Task Force are carried out in accordance with its Judeo-Christian beliefs. The National Day of Prayer, as designated by our government, belongs to all Americans—it is not owned by any one group, and every American can observe NDP in their own way. Everyone is invited to attend a NDP Task Force event to hear messages and prayers in the name of Jesus Christ. We pray for Jesus to bless those who lead and those in need throughout our country.



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The National Day of Prayer Task Force

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**NATION OBSERVES 250 YEARS OF PRAYER IN AMERICA, AND 75 YEARS OF PRAYER FOR AMERICA
2026 NDP Calls For Consecration Ahead of Celebration**

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO (April 2026) – America stands at the crossroads of a historic and holy moment in 2026. During our nation’s 250th anniversary, we will also observe the 75th Observance of the National Day of Prayer. This convergence is not accidental; it’s providential. We believe it is a sacred invitation from God. A moment calling His people to humility, repentance, and a renewed dependence on Him.

For generations, Americans have sought the Lord in prayer and glorified Him in every season and circumstance. From the first national calls to prayer by our Founding Fathers seeking divine guidance, the truths of the Bible have been the foundation for prayer through every tragedy and triumph in our history.

The 2026 National Day of Prayer Theme is a call to stand on this foundation, to “Glorify God Among the Nations – Seeking Him in All Generations” inspired from the faithful prayer of King David recorded in 1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB, “Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.”

The annual National Day of Prayer is an opportunity for Americans to pray together in faith, standing on promises of God. On Thursday, May 7, 2026, millions of people will gather to intercede for neighbor and nation and pray for those who lead, and those in need.

“This theme is not about elevating ourselves; it’s about magnifying God alone,” said National Day of Prayer Task Force president, Kathy Branzell. “History reminds us that every true move of God has been preceded by an outpouring of effective, fervent prayer. Prayer marked by repentance, humility, and wholehearted seeking. Before every great awakening, God’s people turned away from sin, selfishness, and distraction, and turned fully toward Him. That is what we’re praying for now: another great awakening. A turning back to the one and only living God, His Son, Jesus Christ, and His Holy Word, found in the Bible.”

Prayers of repentance and intercession will be lifted up in all 50 states and several U.S. territories through tens of thousands of local prayer gatherings on the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 2nd. The annual National Broadcast will air on television, radio, websites, social media and streaming services, and will be broadcast at 8 p.m. ET. For station and social media information, visit us at www.nationaldayofprayer.org.

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About the National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer tradition predates the founding of the United States of America, evidenced by the Continental Congress’ proclamation in 1775 setting aside a day of prayer. In 1952, Congress established an annual day of prayer and, in 1988, that law was amended, designating the National Day of Prayer as the first Thursday in May.

TALKING POINTS

HISTORY OF PRAYER

The National Day of Prayer observance was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of Congress and signed into law by President Truman. Each year since then our president has called upon the citizens of our nation to pray, and in 1988 President Reagan established this day of prayer to be the First Thursday of May. The significance for us as a nation is that it enables us to recall and stand on a foundation of seeking God when faced with critical challenges and decisions. It issues a call for us to humbly come before God, seeking His guidance for our leaders and His grace upon us as a nation.

THEME AND VERSE

This theme reminds us to magnify God alone and to be transformed by the Holy Spirit to walk in godly humility, compassion, and love for one another. “Glorify God Among the Nations – Seeking Him in All Generations” inspired from the faithful prayer of King David recorded in 1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB, “Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.”

2026 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BROADCAST

Our country will once again gather at 8 p.m. ET on the National Day of Prayer to watch, listen, or stream the 2025 National Broadcast, available through a variety of Christian media outlets and sites. This year, we will be broadcasting the 2026 Congressional Observance, hosted by NDP Task Force president Kathy Branzell, joined in prayer by other Christian leaders who will guide our nation in this time of God-glorifying prayer.

2025 IMPACT

In 2025 we poured out intercessions to God as we led America to POUR OUT TO THE GOD OF HOPE AND BE FILLED. We modeled humble hearts interceding for neighbor and nation, teaching America how to persevere in faith-filled, unceasing prayer, praying with eyes wide open, expectant to see the heart and hands of God moving over America. On the evening of the 2025 National Day of Prayer, our annual national broadcast co-hosted by Tim Tebow and produced in partnership with Waterstone and our broadcast reached just over 110 million households nationally for the fifth year in a row. From living rooms to auditoriums, from the East Coast to the Pacific Islands, millions were brought together to pray in unity, praising God and crying out to Him in one voice.

EVENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY

The Lord poured out immense creativity on the tens of thousands of volunteers who planned over 60,000 events in all 50 states last year. Here in 2026, we will see thousands of Americans faithfully join local prayer rallies—all crying out in prayer, repenting and rededicating hearts, homes and communities to God. At every National Day of Prayer Task Force gathering, leaders prayed in the name of Jesus and asked the Lord to bless those who lead and those in need across our nation.

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PSA SCRIPTS

60-SECOND SCRIPT

This year, on our nation's 250th anniversary, the National Day of Prayer celebrates 75 years of prayer for America!

We are blessed to live in a nation founded upon God's Word and prayer; and where, by public law, on the first Thursday of May, our President calls our citizens to pray.

From capitals to courthouses to campuses, millions of Americans will gather in thousands of local prayer gatherings to Glorify God Among the Nations – Seeking Him in All Generations.

To find a gathering near you, visit our website at nationaldayofprayer.org and click on EVENTS. Then **join us at 8 pm Eastern for our National Broadcast** online or on many of your favorite Christian television and radio networks.

*In this significant and historic year, **let's GLORIFY GOD AND SEEK HIM – TOGETHER!***

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SPOKESPEOPLE



KATHY BRANZELL

President

Kathy Branzell serves as the President of the National Day of Prayer (NDP) Task Force. She has served as a longtime member of the Board of Directors, having led and served alongside Vonette Bright, Shirley Dobson, Anne Graham-Lotz, and Dr. Ronnie Floyd.

Along with her work on behalf of the National Day of Prayer Task Force, she was the founder and president of Fellowship and Christian Encouragement (FACE) for Educators and is the author/co-author of five books on prayer. She earned her bachelor's degree in Education and Human Development from the University of Georgia, and her master's degree in Biblical Studies from Liberty Theological Seminary. She has served as a Rapid Response Chaplain for the Billy Graham Evangelical Association, and the National Coordinator of LOVE2020 and National Facilitator for the Mission America Coalition (Now The Table Coalition).

Reflecting on the future of the NDP Task Force under her leadership, Mrs. Branzell believes that, *"The 'now' generation is filled with the Holy Spirit and passionate about prayer. We would be foolish if we thought there was one generation, one ethnicity, one gathering, or one person that could call this nation to prayer. The Body of Christ is beautiful in reflecting every nation, tribe, and tongue."*

Having raised two children with her husband, Russ, Kathy lives in Macon, Georgia.

Dion is the Vice-President of the National Day of Prayer Task Force. He is a visionary leader, and is passionate about equipping, encouraging, and engaging the church, and individual believers in passionate, effective, fervent prayer.

DION ELMORE

Vice President



Prior to joining the National Day of Prayer Task Force, he served as a senior pastor, was a leader in both Fortune 500 corporations and in small business, specializing in leadership, creative strategy, and marketing. Dion served for several years with Focus on the Family and worked on the creative development and marketing of a wide variety of films, books, magazines, and programming, including the popular Adventures in Odyssey series. He was also a pioneer in Focus on the Family's International efforts, working to establish ministry outreaches in the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Singapore.

Dion is a co-author of the book *The Front Line (A Prayer Warrior's Guide to Spiritual Battle)*. He is married to Brenda and resides in Colorado Springs, Colorado.



AMY PARKS

Communications Director

Amy serves as the Communications Director for the ministry. She graduated from Georgia College & State University with a degree in Mass Communication.

She is passionate about building up the kingdom of God by encouraging others to infuse the Gospel into every aspect of their lives, starting with consistent, humble, strategic prayer. Her heart's missional desire is to encourage believers and

non-believers alike by sharing powerful stories of God's power, glory, and goodness that point people back to the Gospel. Amy and her husband Braden are based in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Please forward all media requests to media@nationaldayofprayer.org.

RESOURCE LINKS

ITEMS FOR NDPTF COORDINATORS

Visit our [promo page](#) to access the webstore, social media graphics and press materials.

[Click here](#) to view the 2026 National Prayer from our NDP president, Kathy Branzell.

Reference the following pages in your Coordinator Handbook for more information about leveraging press relations:

26 – sample invitations for the media to attend your event.

29-39 – Commitment Forms for prayer leaders and participants.

If you need an updated copy of the Handbook, reach out to your [state coordinator here](#).

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Learn more about our ministry, May 7th gatherings around the nation, and prayer prompts throughout the year, on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), @natlprayer.

ITEMS FOR THE PRESS

For a PDF version of our press release, access radio spots, digital art for promotion and other tools, [click here](#).

To learn more about our history, visit our [ABOUT page](#).

To find an NDP gathering in your local area, use our [Gathering Finder](#).

ITEMS FOR CHURCHES

Check out our [webstore](#) to purchase items for your church event, including table decorations, prayer guides, bulletin inserts and digital images.

Celebrating the 75th National Day of Prayer

