

Where in the world did January go? I was down with pneumonia for 4 weeks, so January is still a blur for me. As we look ahead to March and April, thoughts of springtime come to mind. And then, before we know it, our spring brings our district spring conventions. So, I offer a few prayers with this newsletter mailing. But first, I would like to remind you of something.....

PLEASE SEND YOUR PRAYERS TO ME!

I am pulling together a book of prayers for President Mary and the Department, so I would like to include as many from you folks as possible. You can email, or send them via mail. I would like to include as many as possible for the booklet.

Let Us Pray For Those Who Serve...

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us.

Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen

Everyday Prayer

Dear God, please guide me as I walk through this life.

Help me not to act on my own wisdom, but to seek Your will in every situation I am in.

Thank you Lord, Amen.

Before Meeting Prayer

Through the power of your Spirit, empower us to seek your ways, walk in the footsteps of Christ, we come before you with our whole heart, and live as your faithful servants.

As we gather today, I ask for your blessings on those in leadership as we work together as the American Legion Family. Lord, guide our words, and guide our actions as we seek your help during this meeting. Enlighten our minds and let your love be upon us. May this meeting bring success and growth to our American Legion Family. We thank you, creator God, for this precious time that you have given us together. Amen.

Closing Meeting Prayer

Lord, we believe that You will provide for us. We look forward to the ways that You will surprise and amaze us with Your faithfulness. The lives that You will touch and the people in this room You will use to brighten dark spaces and lift sad hearts. Our passion for discussion today is fueled by You, our Father, who with the same note of passion created us to be light to the world... color to dullness... life to dead places... and love to lost faces. Bless our work and our time. Guide our steps and our progress. Grant us the power of Your Holy Spirit to work together because it's impossible to see past our human stubbornness without You.

Bless us Lord, as we leave here today, to take Your passion with us. Fan its flame after we part and inspire our best contributions. Remind us always of Your love, and that you will guide us safely back to our homes. Amen.

If you know of an individual who is need of prayer, please contact me. I will certainly keep them in my prayers. May God bless you in the season of Lent and Easter; and may your springtime be full of blessings!

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