



## **PRAYERS FOR THE NATION**

### **Media and Entertainment**

Media: The media plays a key role in our international, national and local networks and communities, so we need to be praying for them regularly, relevantly and with knowledge of the issues they are facing.

Who are we praying for?: Christian and non-Christian Media professionals (e.g. print and radio journalists, TV and film producers, directors, editors and writers, advertising and communication specialists) Also for the Consumers - (readers, listeners and viewers) of the information.

**Mon. 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020:- Thanksgiving and Blessing for the Media**

***“And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills—.” Exodus 31:3***

- a. Thank our Father for being a God who communicates with his creation – through scripture, through creation, through sending his son – the Living Word – and for the many different ways he speaks to us today.
- b. Thank God for writers, producers, broadcasters and journalists working in the media – for their abilities, skills and for all who seek after truth.
- c. Pray a blessing on our media, and ask that it would be characterized by wisdom and integrity.
- d. Ask God to raise up godly men and women journalists who will champion for the powerless and seek truth and justice.
- e. Pray for yourself, your community, and our nation to be wise consumers of information and opinion.
- f. Pray and ask God to bless the relationship between the Church and the Media.
- g. Pray for the people who produce key reports – sometimes at great risk to themselves; that God will guide, guard and protect such journalists and make them harbingers of truth.

- h. Pray and ask God to restore some of the Christian Media personnel that have been compromised or fallen from His grace....Petition God for Esther Arunga, Jackie Maribe etc. Pray for their salvation and Restoration.

Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020:- Repentance and Integrity

***“to judge everyone, and to convict all of them of all the ungodly acts they have committed in their ungodliness, and of all the defiant words ungodly sinners have spoken against him.” Jude.1:15***

- a. Bring repentance for the sins and transgressions that characterize the Media and Entertainment industry.
- b. Pray for all who work in the media for wisdom, integrity, insight and righteous judgment in their work.
- c. That they will be a voice for the powerless, a challenge to the powerful; bringers of knowledge and clarity to an uncertain and confused world.
- d. *In this era of fast-paced consumption, we need to pray that media professionals refuse to sacrifice accuracy for speed – the need to be first – and to carry the message rather than market it.* Pray and ask God to Help the media personnel reach for the highest professional standards, especially when budgets are stretched, time is tight, and competition increasing.
- e. That they resist the temptation to follow the consensus, jump to easy conclusions, pander to prejudice or cut corners.
- f. That Jesus Christ who brought the Good News will help us, who read, watch, listen and contribute to the media, to play our part by being wise and discerning, so that truth and beauty will be the hallmarks of our media.
- g. *God is bigger than all of us and He is the ultimate influencer.* That God will keep our many youth steady, and restrain them from relentlessly career-building and judging themselves on followers, likes or the numbers in their networks.

Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020:- A heart of Service in the media fraternity

*Philippians 2:3-4 “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.”*

- a. Pray against the spirit of pride, arrogance and stubbornness that characterizes this sphere.
- b. Pray for humility, truth and morality to be presented at every level of journalism.
- c. Pray for bravery and professionalism to all who report, evaluate, interview, challenge and investigate on our behalf; for correspondents, photographers, technicians and engineers.
- d. Pray for protection to those who travel into areas of conflict and danger on our behalf, and those who, in bringing us news have continued to endanger their lives.
- e. Pray that the information which is relayed to us by both printing and electronic Media will increase our understanding, that this understanding will increase our compassion, and that compassion will move us to action so that the God of all time and all peoples will be seen and known in every human situation and will speak humanity into every community.
- f. That the media personnel will keep at the forefront of their minds the need to understand and respect those they broadcast to and write for--Consumers.
- g. That God will divinely set them on a path to promote the common good and to help the poor and vulnerable in society.

Thur. 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020:- Humility and Virtue

*“Let their lying lips be silenced, for with pride and contempt they speak arrogantly against the righteous.” Psalm 31:18*

- a. Pray and ask God to remove all deceit and lies and restore virtues of honesty and integrity.
- b. Renounce corruption, crime, cults within this sphere.
- c. Pray against rebellion, idolatry and adultery in media and entertainment.

- d. *Technology has helped the world in many ways, but it has also proven to be a snare into sin through the lure of pornography. Pray for a hedge of protection against this temptation that has the power to damage families and scar the spirit of those who are addicted to pornography.*
- e. Ask God to help believers and their loved ones keep their minds on Him in such a powerful way that pornography will not have a hold on them.
- f. Pray for wisdom to remove temptations that are hard resist, and to deliberately always keep God first in their hearts and minds.
- g. Pray that God will be honoured in the sphere of Media and Entertainment.

#### Fri. 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020:- Purity in the Media

***“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” Phil.4:8***

There is much evil indoctrination and movies on TV and cinemas. God wants us to dwell on only good things;

- a. Pray for purity in the media and entertainment.
- b. Pray against ungodly indoctrination through ‘mediums’ and ‘occult’ TV shows and films.
- c. Pray against nudity and immodesty in mainstream and in social media.
- d. Denounce information that is reported through the lens of evil in both printing and electronic media.
- e. Pray for believers in this sphere, those shaping media coverage that they will report both the good news and the Good News.
- f. Pray that believers in Media and Entertainment places across Kenya will overcome darkness with the Light. Pray that believers will be blessed and protected by God and His angels.
- g. Pray that talented people, who have Godly lifestyles, behavior and values will be drawn to the Sphere of Media and Entertainment.
- h. *Just as Ezekiel called forth life from a dead environment, we must call out those whom God has appointed to declare His character upon a mountain that has been ruled by the forces of*

*evil. Remember, whoever controls the language controls the culture.* Call for the voices of righteousness and truth to emerge and take over this gate to serve the Kingdom Purposes

Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. 2020:- Truth and fairness in the media

***“All creatures look to you to give them their food at the proper time....., When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground. May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—Psalm.104:27, 30-31***

- a. Give praise to God for the sphere of Media and Entertainment.
- b. Pray that the Holy Spirit will equip all who work in the media to be seekers after truth, so that our world’s headlines and news feeds may draw nearer to His ways of justice, mercy and humility that we see in Jesus Christ.
- c. *In a world where there are claims, counter-claims and disagreements, we need people of integrity who are committed to truth and fairness.* Pray for honest, reliable and accurate journalism and programming.
- d. Pray For Christians working in traditional and non-traditional media alike, who care deeply about what is going wrong in society, that they can make content that shines light on what is going on.
- e. Pray For leadership in newsrooms, production companies and all media workplaces, for people who can change the work culture within the media, and for Christians in all positions to help influence change, to stop the exploitation of younger and particularly female staff.
- f. Pray for Christians in media to become more influential, and for effective discipleship of young people.
- g. Pray for Churches who will support and interact and influence national and local media.
- h. Pray for believers and groups who will adopt the people working in the media pray for them and to speak blessings over them
- i. Pray for students and young people looking into a career in media to get the necessary support but from groups that stand for truth and integrity. Pray against them falling prey to interest group that have an ungodly agenda.

Sun. 22nd Nov. 2020: - God’s Light over the Media

News of Jesus Christ spread first amongst the villages of the Galilee, was gossiped about in the streets, ruminated about in the places of debate, sometimes with wonder and intrigue, at other times as fake news, and has since spread to every corner of the world with incredible positive impact.

***They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.”<sup>17</sup> This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country. Luke.7:16-17***

- a. Thank God for the gift of the media to reach the far flung places of the earth with messages of hope and life.
- b. Thank the Merciful and Just God for those who risk their security and even their lives to expose injustice and to bring news of hope.
- c. Pray for believers in the media, that God would enable them to offer truth to overcome the lies, light to shine in dark places, refreshment to those who are thirsty and food to those who go hungry.
- d. Ask God to Guard them against any who would wish to use them for ill. Ask God to empower them by His Spirit to stand up for what is true and good.
- e. *It is written that Satan is the prince of air...* Pray and ask God with His glorious light pierce and completely destroy any evil cloud of darkness hovering over the nations of Kenya, Ethiopia, United States of America and nation of Israel.
- f. Ask God to release His angels to the airspace of USA to shoot down and destroy all the evil drones of - confusion, hopelessness, anger, deception and etc., hovering over this great nation.
- g. Pray for media houses in Israel that they will continue to be strong in the midst of criticism that they face just because they are Jews.
- h. Pray that God’s kingdom and godly transformation will be experienced in this important mountain in the land.
- i. Thank God for answers to our prayers. AMEN

***Psalm.19:1-2***

***The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.***