

**New City Fellowship
Intercessory Prayer
August 2009**

Continue to pray for **Tony Myles, our newest pastor**, as he continues to learn and grow in his role at NCF.

Continue to pray for **all the pastors, elders, deacons, team leaders and all volunteers** who minister the gospel in so many ways.

The summer ministries have come to a close, so pray **for refreshment for those team leaders and members who will take a well deserved break** during part of August.

Satan is busy in seeking to disrupt and tempt and destroy relationships of all kinds. Pray that **people will humble themselves and turn to Christ for forgiveness and gospel power to seek each other's good.**

Continue to pray for **Freedom School, Firm Foundation Tutoring and Harambee** as they seek funding and start fall programs which begin in August.

Pray for **House Churches and the leaders** as they gather week after week to worship, nurture, pray for and disciple each other, and serve together.

Give **thanks for all that the Lord has done** through the summer months in the youth mission trips, children's ministries, the Restore St. Louis ministries, South City immigrant/refugee ministries and the global mission trips.

Pray for **Otto, Youth Director and the kids he will take to the Rock the River Tour** (Billy Graham Evangelistic Assoc.) down at the arch on Sunday Aug 2: for those who already believe, that they will be encouraged to speak of Jesus with their friends; and for those who don't yet believe, that they will say their first yes to Jesus!

Pray for the **Youth volunteer team to grow** (and Otto's ability to equip and delegate to grow, too!) as the size and scope of the youth ministry grows.

Pray for the **young adults (esp. young men)**, who are leaving the youth group but not leaving town, that the Lord would be gracious to them and lead them to stay involved in the church through House Churches and other ministries. (This is a big need especially for those whose families are not involved in our church.)

Pray for **Holly Eisenbraun - Children's Ministry**, as she recruits volunteers for the fall and organizes the fall programs. Pray for renewed spirit for Holly who hasn't stopped going, going, going since April!

Let us take time for prayer

Read I Timothy 2:1-5:

1. “I urge, then, first of all, that **requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving** be made for **everyone**
2. for the **kings** and all **those in authority**, that we may **live peaceful and quiet lives** in all godliness and holiness.
3. **This is good, and pleases God our Savior,**
4. **Who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of truth.** (God is pleased when we pray for our families, our children, our marriage, our neighbors, our communities, our city, our countries, and our authorities. We are called to pray even for our enemies. **We pray that all men will come to the knowledge of truth and be saved, and the Scriptures say this is good.** I invite you, as we pray, to have a special thought for our community (think about violence, murder, drugs, and immorality), the European countries (Europe is turning more to paganism) and for the Muslim countries, we all need a Savior.
5. **“For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Jesus,”** This last verse gives confidence that God is always on the mainline and He listens and answers our prayers. Jesus is online 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. Thanks to God that there is no voice-mail message in the heavens with all the features we are familiar with like this:

“Thank you for calling Our Father’s home, please choose one of these options

- for requests press 1, for thanksgiving press 2, for any other question press 3.”

Or something like, “all our angels (representatives) are busy, please stay on the line...your call will be processed in that order it was received.” **NOT ALL OF THAT!** Thank you Lord!

Jesus is always on the mainline. Let me give you his toll free number: 800-Jeremiah-33:3 :**“Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know”**. Go to www.Jesus.isinyourheart with no need for “.com”, “.org”, or “.gov” to connect instantly.

---Taken from a NCF Staff devotional given by Leon Mukendi