

ELBERT COUNTY – COVER THE COUNTY PRAYER CALL

Prayer Notes from 10-15-2020

Attendees:

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Kevin (Elizabeth) Deanna M (Kiowa)

Kathy J (Elizabeth) Amy E (Colorado Prays)

Please keep these prayer points in mind throughout the month! Thank you!

PRAISE and THANKSGIVING: We pray these Scriptures to You, Oh Lord, our God!

Psa 9:2-8 I will be glad and exult in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High. (3) When my enemies turn back, They stumble and perish before You. (4) For You have maintained my just cause; You have sat on the throne judging righteously. (5) You have rebuked the nations, You have destroyed the wicked; You have blotted out their name forever and ever. (6) The enemy has come to an end in perpetual ruins, And You have uprooted the cities; The very memory of them has perished. (7) But the LORD abides forever; He has established His throne for judgment, (8) And He will judge the world in righteousness; He will execute judgment for the peoples with equity.

Psa 150:1-6 Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty expanse. (2) Praise Him for His mighty deeds; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness. (3) Praise Him with trumpet sound; Praise Him with harp and lyre. (4) Praise Him with timbrel and dancing; Praise Him with stringed instruments and pipe. (5) Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with resounding cymbals. (6) Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD!

Isa 25:1 O LORD, You are my God; I will exalt You, I will give thanks to Your name; For You have worked wonders, Plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness.

Thank you, Lord, for You have a purpose for all that is going on – and for us in the midst of it all. Help us to pay attention to you in our heart.

Praise for all of who You are: almighty, all sufficient, all knowing,...You are before all things. Alpha and Omega. Our counselor, our friend, our creator, our defender, our deliverer. Everlasting, exalted, true, trustworthy. You are the forgiveness of our sins, our fortress and our stronghold.

Php 4:4-8 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! (5) Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. (6) Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. (7) And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (8) Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things. (NASB)

Thank you Father God, Lord Jesus and Holy Spirit for who You are! We rejoice in You and give thanks for all of the blessings you have given us! We praise you for the beauty of where we live, for our homes, our families, for our state and our nation! We praise you most of all for providing us a way to have relationship with you, even though our sin had separated us from you! We pray that there will be REVIVAL in our county, state and nation, so that ALL will come to know your glory! AMEN!

REPENTENCE:

Lord, we repent of our sins and ask You to help us turn from our own wicked ways. We pray that, according to Acts, You will empower us, Holy Spirit, to help others to have open eyes and repent as well: **Act 26:18-21 to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the dominion of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.'** (19) "So, King Agrippa, I did not prove disobedient to the heavenly vision, (20) but kept declaring both to those of Damascus first, and also at Jerusalem and then throughout all the region of Judea, and even to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds appropriate to repentance. (21) "For this reason some Jews seized me in the temple and tried to put me to death.

Holy Spirit, search our hearts every day and convict us and help us to repent every day, for both big things and small. Thank you for opportunity to come to you. Help us to really turn our hearts and our ways to do things differently. We repent for times we failed to do our part in spreading Your Word, and helping others, and in just our own silence, letting evil stand. Please empower us to stand up and be firm Lord.

Lord, we repent of seeking to be wise in our own eyes. We are sorry for trying to solve everything in our own power. We repent of how that attempt has brought us to such anger and animosity among the peoples on earth, and caused us to sin so grievously against you such as through allowing abortion and other perversions to become the law of the land. Please cleanse us from these sins, and guide us in Your way! Amen!

Jas 3:13-18 Do you want to be counted wise, to build a reputation for wisdom? Here's what you do: Live well, live wisely, live humbly. It's the way you live, not the way you talk, that counts. (14) Mean-spirited ambition isn't wisdom. Boasting that you are wise isn't wisdom. Twisting the truth to make yourselves sound wise isn't wisdom. (15) It's the furthest thing from wisdom--it's animal cunning, devilish conniving. (16) Whenever you're trying to look better than others or get the better of others, things fall apart and everyone ends up at the others' throats. (17) Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot one day and cold the next, not two-faced. (18) You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor. (The Message)

PRAYER POINTS:

A. Prayer for President Trump, Congress, Governor Polis, Colorado General Assembly, and all local representatives.

1Ti 2:1-3 The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you know how, for everyone you know. **(2)** Pray especially for rulers and their governments to rule well so we can be quietly about our business of living simply, in humble contemplation. **(3)** This is the way our Savior God wants us to live. (The Message)

Lord, we pray for all of our leaders and their families. We pray, Lord, that you cover President Trump with the words of Psalm 31: **Psa 31:2-4** Incline Your ear to me, rescue me quickly; Be to me a rock of strength, A stronghold to save me. **(3)** For You are my rock and my fortress; For Your name's sake You will lead me and guide me. **(4)** You will pull me out of the net which they have secretly laid for me, For You are my strength.

Psa 31:7-9 I will rejoice and be glad in Your lovingkindness, Because You have seen my affliction; You have known the troubles of my soul, **(8)** And You have not given me over into the hand of the enemy; You have set my feet in a large place. **(9)** Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; My eye is wasted away from grief, my soul and my body also.

Psa 31:14-19 But as for me, I trust in You, O LORD, I say, "You are my God." **(15)** My times are in Your hand; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies and from those who persecute me. **(16)** Make Your face to shine upon Your servant; Save me in Your lovingkindness. **(17)** Let me not be put to shame, O LORD, for I call upon You; Let the wicked be put to shame, let them be silent in Sheol. **(18)** Let the lying lips be mute, Which speak arrogantly against the righteous With pride and contempt. **(19)** How great is Your goodness, Which You have stored up for those who fear You, Which You have wrought for those who take refuge in You, Before the sons of men!

We thank you for your Word, Lord, for it does not come back void.

B. Prayer for Election integrity, and that our biblical values will be upheld through who is elected at all government levels.

We pray, Lord Jesus, for protection and wisdom over all in charge over the election and over our nation at large. We pray that all citizens will be convicted by You, Holy Spirit, and will vote biblical values. We pray for our county, state and nation that Your truth will prevail and for integrity of all people to be held intact by Your grace and mercy.

C. For the Judicial Committee hearings ongoing this week for Judge Amy Coney Barrett, for the civility and truthfulness of the process, and for swift and easy confirmation through the full Senate.

Lord oversee these hearings – shut down anything not of You in the hearings. Let truth prevail, and let darkness be brought into light. Let YOUR prevail We are reminded that YOU install kings and leaders, and we know YOU ALONE are in control! We PRAISE You, Lord!

Lord, You have given roles to government, and judges are almost equivalent of a priest, to look at what is written and judge according to it. This is a huge responsibility. We pray for

the confirmation process, and we believe that Judge Barrett loves You and we praise You for that! We pray she is committed to truth and justice, and pray for her in the hearings and in the eventual performance of her duties as a Justice of the Supreme Court. Block any unrighteousness in the process. We pray for all 9 justices Give Judge Barrett great wisdom today and grace as she completes her time of questioning before the Judicial Committee. We pray we will end up with the court you have chosen.

We pray also for her family, for their protection, peace and joy and support of their mother in this role.

We pray also, Lord, that as a Justice, Amy Coney Barrett will be an influence for YOUR truth among the other 8 Justices.

We pray for the judges of this nation, that they will seek the wisdom that comes from above. "But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere" (James 3:17). – Battle cry for the entire court.

Jan – pray against those who bring false witness in this hearing. Proverbs – man who listens to truth speaks forever. No wisdom and no counsel against the Lord. Ask the Lord to thwart the efforts of those who would remove religious freedom from our nation. "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery" (Gal. 5:1). Pray for truth to become valued again in American society. "Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:32)

D. For Elbert County Sheriff Tim Norton, for protection for him and all of his staff, AND that he can find and train additional officers that they are looking for.

We pray, Lord, for the protection and health of our Elbert County Sheriff and deputies and all personnel, and for their families, and for ALL Law Enforcement Officers in our state and our nation. We also pray that you will lead godly people to apply to our Elbert Sheriff's office to expand the team to better serve and protect the citizens of our county.

We pray that they know You, Lord, and exercise their duties in light of this saving knowledge of You, and they can be a light to others. We Pray all LEOs come to know you, seek your truth, and get strength from you. We hold them up always to You for safety . We praise you Lord for people willing to put themselves on the line. Please comfort them and their families. Pray for people to come forth to apply for new positions.

E. For Elbert County generally, to have a spirit of peace and calm in the midst of the crazy storm that is in our country right now.

- Commissioner Chris Richardson FB Post: "We fought one war to achieve those freedoms and have exercised them responsibly in Colorado since the founding of our state. This summer though, forces that can only be called evil seem to taken hold of our cities. The bonds of shared values and respect have fractured. The shooting death this weekend in Denver makes these changes very apparent.

All the details of the incident this weekend in Denver are yet to be known, but what seems clear at this point is that the death was unnecessary. Now, it appears the accused shooter is an Elbert County resident and the gentleman that was killed is known locally as well. That certainly brings the turmoil of the city awfully close to home. Certainly, people are angry. The stress of COVID-19 doesn't help nor does the fanned flames of victimhood and blame. Two giant steps backward have been taken and frankly, it is concerning. It makes one fear for the future of this state and nation.

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But all hope should not be lost. While there certainly are events in our present-day that give great pause, there are many rays of light. I had the opportunity this weekend to participate in three events that show the good in our world and promise for a better future.

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So, on the balance, though there certainly is evil afoot in this world, there is much more good all around us if we take a moment to seek it out. Elbert County remains a wonderful place to raise our kids and we certainly are stronger when we take time to serve each other. The ties that bind us are much stronger than the forces that seek to separate us. Our future remains bright.

Help us Lord to have a spirit of peace. Help us to reach out to you in the storm. Give thanks to the Lord for his lovingkindness. We CRY OUT TO YOU Lord, when waves are tossing and turning, that YOU are the one who can bring stillness in the storm. AMEN!

F. That the ballot proposition in the town of Kiowa to be able to sell recreational and medicinal marijuana there, will be defeated. I understand that in Littleton, they also have a ballot initiative to be able to sell recreational marijuana (I think they already can sell medicinal).

We pray for wisdom and discernment for voters in Kiowa and throughout nation – vote for what is good and not evil. Guide their minds Lord, to make good biblical, truthful voting decisions. That things meant for evil will be shut down and that You will prevail.

G. For Elbert County Schools, for protection of students, teachers and administrators, from sickness and all forms of unrest and violence. That the students are getting a good and true education.

We pray that a spirit of resolve comes on teachers, leave morality teaching to families, not distracted from traditional values. That education is stellar to prepare students for life.

Pray that you would intercept our leaders at every level - grace to restore souls, pray for refreshing, that leaders struck in their hearts if they are not following your ways, and that they are seeking things far from you. Establish your purposes, Lord. Reveal things done in darkness. If there are other agendas, we stand against spirit of darkness. You are King, the Ruler of Universe, Your ways are perfect, we SUBMIT to you, Lord! You have already won. We rest in what Jesus has done for us.

We pray that our education system stays pure. Wherever there is darkness, please Lord, shut it down and let light prevail.

H. For all Elbert County citizens, and all Colorado citizens, that they will understand their right, privilege and obligation to vote, and that they will vote for biblical values.



I. For our Clerk and Recorder, Dallas Schroeder, as he works to maintain the integrity of our election process!

- Mr. Schroeder has issued a document entitled "Ballot Security in Elbert County". It describes the process in Colorado and how you can personally check to make sure your ballot is received and signature verified. It contains the following statement: "Every night, we are able to balance the number of ballots we have received and the ballots processed and received. We have a great team of election judges who work very hard to ensure the integrity of the election." AND It concludes with the following statement: "Election integrity, voter anonymity and accurate tabulation are the ultimate goals of the Election Department. Every staff member and election judge share these lofty goals. Elbert County elections are secure and accurate."

We Pray and DECLARE that Your purposes, Oh Lord, be evident in the workings of all in Elbert County, in government, personal interactions, business interactions, and that Your will be done! Bless this nation, and bring us back, please Lord, to the original intention of our founding fathers, that this be "One Nation, UNDER GOD"! AMEN!

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NEXT PRAYER CALL is THURSDAY, November 19, 7 am to 8 am

Please invite your Elbert County neighbors and friends to join!
<https://www.coprays.org/groups>

Have a great rest of the week!

