

# Strategic Prayer Points for the City

## **Business:**

- In Prayer to release over the city the creativity and inspiration to develop innovative business
- Pray that our Businesses will be governed by a spirit of integrity and generosity and that selfish exploitation and corruption will be exposed and overthrown

## **Government:**

- That our Police would operate with Godly authority and build strong, positive relationships with the community.
- Pray for an increase in respect and honour for those in authority in our city and that bitterness and resentment be overcome.

## **Media:**

- That the media outlets in our City would be carriers of good news and resist the spread of evil.
- That those in media would make bringing out truth in their reporting a priority over being the first to break a story.

## **Education:**

- The breaking down of post-modern philosophies at the influential levels of academia and the release of powerful Christian apologetics.
- That people of influence in education be given Godly wisdom and the opportunities and boldness to release that wisdom into every level of education from academia to early childhood.

## **Arts and Entertainment:**

- Pray for relationships of Christians in the arts and performance arena to stay pure and that their eyes would be upon the Lord and they would be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading.
- Pray for the hidden gems to emerge in the City, those that reflect the Lord's heart of love and unity and whose work speaks to the heart. Pray also that hearts would be open in the City to respond to the Lord's message in their works.

## **Family:**

Pornography has a massive impact on our society, our families and our churches. It is a factor in relationship breakdown, domestic abuse, child abuse and mental health (including addiction, depression, anxiety, suicidal tendencies) sexual dysfunction including distorted views on healthy sexuality. For children, the average age of pornography exposure is 9.

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Media propagation is strong through public space advertising, pop culture (e.g. TV shows, movies, music videos/lyrics), social media and “sexting”.

- Pray: For the those in churches struggling with addiction to have the courage to bring their struggle into the light, for shame to be overcome and wise counsel from leaders and the empowering of the Holy Spirit to enable freedom from bondage.

### **Commonwealth Games:**

- The key issue for our City leaders is security. Pray for the exposure of every plan to disrupt or harm the Games.
- Pray that the Gold Coast will be a safe environment and visitors will leave the City impacted by the warmth and friendliness of the people.

### **Prophetic Word:**

During the prayer meeting to develop these prayer points for the City, the following prophetic word came forth:

Increase favour over the city, increase of blessing, increase of God’s Kingdom being established over the city.

I see small groups of people doing the Lord’s work – these groups are all over the city. They have been faithful in what God has asked them to put their hand to. But now the season is changing – now is the time for increase – favour, favour, favour – an outpouring of God’s glory and grace is being released over the city and these people will see God honour them in bringing an increase of resources, abilities, recognition – for they have been faithful in the little and now they will have the big!

Sons and daughters rising up in courage and boldness speaking God’s truth into their daily circumstances. Walking in love and seeing as God sees, having a heart to see the captives set free. Renewed vision, renewed confidence in the Lord, renewed hope. More and more God’s people will not only speak “all things are possible with God” they will see and experience this. Renewed vitality to do what God has lead them to do. Walking together, having a sense of a greater purpose, steadfast and focused.

“Our God is greater, Our God is stronger, Our God is higher than any other.”