

# PRAYERUNITED

## ANNOUNCEMENT TO CHURCHES

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## MOBILISING PRAYER FOR IMMINENT GENERAL ELECTIONS (GE13)

2 Chronicles 7:14

*"If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." (ESV)*

**Mobilising urgent prayer for upcoming elections on CFM's guidance.** PRAYER UNITED is calling all churches in Malaysia to mobilise prayer for the approaching general elections. This call to prayer is embodied in the principles laid out in the recent circular from the **Christian Federation of Malaysia (CFM)** dated 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2012 entitled "VOTE WISELY; VOTE FOR A BETTER MALAYSIA."

**An appeal to the faithful to soak the nation in prayer.** We appeal to all Christians to remain faithful, that in our exercise of leadership and stewardship in obedience to God's Word, that we exercise our duty to nation building to vote as well as to soak in prayer the nation's well being; ahead, during, and after the general elections.

**A most critical spiritual reset for the nation.** We believe that this election season is one of the most critical of our nation's history as it will be held during the Jubilee year, a spiritual reset for the nation. This is not a coincidence.

**Choices made today to impact next generation.** The choices we make today will impact the nation's course and our children's future for decades to come. Hence, is imperative for Christians to humble ourselves and seek God's heart and favour for our nation.

# "The effective prayer of a righteous person has great power." ~ James 5:16 (ESV)



## NETWORKS IN PRAYER UNITED: (in alphabetical order)

1. 24-7 Prayer Malaysia
2. AG Prayer Commission
3. Council of Churches of Malaysia (Youth Network rep)
4. Kota Kinabalu Pastors' Fellowship
5. Kuching Ministers' Fellowship
6. Methodist Church Prayer
7. Malaysia National Prayer Network
8. NECF Prayer Commission
9. Penang Ministers' Fellowship

## JOINT SECRETARIES:

1. Chrisanne Chin (CCM)
2. Rev Andy Chi (NECF)

### 1. Prayer at National & Federal Territory Level

- a. Pray that the man and woman of righteousness, the person of God's choosing, will be elected in every parliamentary seat.
- b. Pray that every appointment as senator, mayor, minister and to the office of the Prime Minister will also be persons of God's choosing, men and women who uphold truth, justice and righteousness.
- c. Pray for the formation of a government that respects people's rights, upholds justice, incorruptibility, ethics and freedom to believe.
- d. Pray for the formation of a government that upholds thrift, quality education, and removal of national debt.
- e. Pray for men and women of righteousness to be elected who will implement the breaking of institutionalized racism, oppression of indigenous peoples and mistreatment of migrants and refugees.
- f. Pray against the election of any extremists of any kind who incite hatred and mischief and all forms of racial and religious divide.

g. *"Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people." ~ Proverbs 14:34*

### 2. Prayer at State and Local Level

- a. Pray that the man and woman of righteousness, the person of God's choosing, will be elected to every office at the state ADUN level.
- b. Pray that all state, city and town councilors and representatives are persons of God's choosing, upholding honest and diligent work, truth, justice and righteousness.
- c. *"When the righteous increase, the people rejoice, but when the wicked rule, the people groan." ~ Proverbs 29:2*

### 3. Prayer for Voters

- a. Pray that each citizen will be convicted to vote for the man and woman of righteousness, the person of God's choosing. Pray that God's Spirit will overshadow each one as he or she makes a decision when casting the vote.
- b. *"And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and*



*"I know that you  
can do all  
things, and that  
no purpose of  
yours can be  
thwarted."*

*– Job 42:2 (ESV)*

*might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide ... by what his ears hear." ~ Isaiah 11:2-3*

#### **4. Prayer for Election Officials and Security Officers**

- a. Pray that every official involved in the election process – including the election officials, appointees, police, RELA and army - will serve with honesty and integrity of heart.
- b. Pray also for polling and counting agents, as well as election observers, to serve diligently and honourably, ensuring accuracy and integrity in the entire election process.
- c. *"The Lord abhors dishonest scales, but accurate weights are his delight." ~ Proverbs 11:1*

#### **5. Prayer for Civil Servants**

- a. For the civil servants to work with full integrity of heart for the good of the nation regardless of outcome of the elections.
- b. *"Not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man, knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a bondservant or is free." – Ephesians 6:6-8*

#### **6. Prayer for the Church**

- a. Pray that the Church will be fully awakened, engaged and empowered during this critical season and understand the urgency and importance of this election and its implications for the advancement of God's purposes in our nation and around the world. Pray for a zealotness to uphold God's name and His glory to be lifted up in this nation.
- b. *"The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this." ~ Isaiah 9:7*

#### **7. Prayer for Christians engaged in praying**

- a. Pray that God will energize and empower his people to call out to him day and night in extraordinary prayer during this season.
- b. Pray for repentance, humble hearts and a deep desire to pursue holiness, that God's people will seek His purposes and His will first. Pray for perseverance and urgency.
- c. *"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a Spirit of grace and supplication." ~ Zechariah 12:10*

#### **8. Prayer for the Nation**

- a. Pray that God's plans and purposes for our nation will be established during this election season.
- b. Pray that we will be a nation that follows God and is a blessing to the nations of the earth.

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- c. Pray for harmony and peace during and after elections, and for the safety of all candidates, officials and voters during the entire elections. Pray that the plots of the wicked be paralysed. We ask God to hinder and stop any attempt at stirring up violence and rioting before, during and after the elections, and that peace and harmony will prevail for the well-being of all communities and for the nation.
- d. Pray for Malaysia Day to be fully recognised.



*"Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."*

*~ Matthew 6:10 (ESV)*

#### **GUIDANCE ON HOW TO GO ABOUT PRAYING**

We would like to encourage and challenge every Christian and church to take an active part in upholding our nation as we head towards GE13. The following are some suggestions of what you and your church can do:

1. Set aside 5 minutes or more each day in our personal prayer times to pray for our nation and GE13.
2. Every Sunday when we meet for worship at church, set aside a minimum of 5 minutes to pray for these matters.
3. Set aside 5 minutes during the Sunday service to pray for the nation and GE13 – for peace, righteousness and justice to prevail.
4. In every weekly prayer group or fellowship group meetings, we set aside extended time to pray for the nation and the GE13.
5. Set aside special times and even days of prayer and fasting for the nation.
6. Set aside a prayer room so that we can pray around the clock 24-7 or mobilise 24-7 prayer chains getting groups or individuals to pray every hour through creating a virtual prayer room.
7. Mobilise prayer for our parliamentary and/or state constituency by praying at the service centres of various political parties, or offer prayer for the various incumbents and potential candidates selected for running in GE13.
8. Organise or participate in prayer walks or prayer drives around our vicinity, constituency, local government buildings, schools, polling centres, around the town or city.
9. Organise or participate in inter church combined prayer meetings in our town or constituency, mobilising more Christians to pray.
10. Once the date of the elections is announced and Parliament is dissolved, we will immediately mobilise 24-7 fast and pray throughout the period.

**Kindly contact your immediate prayer network for assistance or queries. For all other matters, please contact Prayer United Secretariat at [prayerunited.my@gmail.com](mailto:prayerunited.my@gmail.com)**

