

Prayers for President Obama

Pray for Focus on God

“Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit....” Luke 4:1-2

Heavenly Father, pursue President Obama with your Holy Spirit every day that he is in office to secure his undistracted attention. In every circumstance and at every moment, be his source. During his precious moments of solitude, put in his heart a yearning to draw close to you and worship you. As the President of the United States, he is a leader among leaders. Keep him close to your side so that he might lead with the humility of one whose eyes are focused on the Most High God. (1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 4:4, 8-12)

Pray for Guidance and Direction

“While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said....” Acts 13:2-3

Lord, guide Barack Obama’s steps. When hundreds around him are pressing in and shouting for his attention, be the light of truth before him. Place a garland of wisdom around his head and grant him keen discernment for your perfect timing. Let your thoughts in all matters grace his mind. We intercede on his behalf for you to send pure-hearted, godly advisors into his public and private life. (Isaiah 58:8; Proverbs 1:8-9; Acts 9:9)

Pray to Disband Wickedness

“...to loosen the chains of injustice.” Isaiah 58:6

In Jesus’ name, we take authority over spiritual strongholds that are operating in Washington and the political arena. As American citizens, we confess with Ezra over the sinful condition of our nation: “O my God, I am too ashamed and disgraced to lift up my face to you, my God, because our sins are higher than our heads and our guilt has reached to the heavens.” And together we invite your powerful Presence to inhabit our land, starting with our seat of government. We cover President Obama’s head with the power of the cross so that he will be able to resist evil influences and temptations. (Matthew 17:21; Ezra 9:6-15; 1 Corinthians 1:18)

Pray for Breakthroughs

“So we fasted and petitioned our God about this, and he answered us.” Ezra 8:23

Almighty God, our nation is facing problems—problems so big they are hard to define. But nothing is too difficult for you. Please help Barack Obama be an instrument in solving economic crises, foreign conflicts and social injustices. Lead his cabinet and staff to implement godly solutions. Open doors and orchestrate opportunities through which our President can display your redemptive power, favor and righteousness. (Luke 1:37; Ephesians 3:20-21; John 14:14; 2 Timothy 1:11-12)

Pray for Godly Influence

“...then your righteousness shall go before you.” Isaiah 58:8b

Lord Jesus, thank you that you are seated at the right hand of God, far above all rule and authority, and that all authority that exists has been established by you. Therefore we submit to the office of President and pledge to honor and pray for Barack Obama as the one chosen to lead. Consecrate him and set him apart. Cultivate in him a genuine testimony of faith in you so that he might use his position to exalt you and influence other men and women of influence. Lead him to enact policies not for political posturing but for lasting fruit that will bring glory to you. (Ephesians 1:20-22; Romans 13:1-2; 1 Timothy 1:12; Philippians 2:14-16; Colossians 2:6-7; Ephesians 6:19; John 15:7-8, 16)

Pray for Divine Health

"...and your healing will quickly appear." Isaiah 58:8

The job of President is intense and demanding beyond what most of us can comprehend. In Jesus' name and by his stripes, Lord, bestow on President Obama and his family divine health and lasting freedom from disease. Allow them to experience your healing and wholeness in every way. Holy Spirit, renew his mind daily and guard him from depression, fatigue or discouragement. Give him the mind of Christ. May he walk with a cheerful heart in forgiveness and grace, free from bitterness, throughout his days in office. (Psalm 91:1, 10; 3 John 2; Romans 12:2; Philippians 2:5; 4:4-7; Proverbs 17:22; Ephesians 4:32)

Pray for Personal Holiness

"...on that day they fasted and there they confessed, we have sinned against the Lord." 1 Samuel 7:6

Heavenly Father, baptize Barack and Michelle Obama in the Holy Spirit. Give them a hunger for your word, and then sanctify them with the truth of that word. As they seek you, pour out your blessings on their marriage and their children. Surround President Obama with strong men of God who will hold him accountable for personal holiness so that he can live humbly before you as a husband and father first, and then as our President. (Luke 3:16; Acts 1:9; 1 Corinthians 1:8; John 17:17, 23; 1 Peter 1:16; 5:6; James 4:6-7)

Pray for Courage

"The Lord is my helper: I will not be afraid." Hebrews 13:6

God of peace, keep our President from all fear. Instill in him courage, even in the face of criticism, to stand for the godly heritage established for us by our forefathers. Hold him steadfast in you as he negotiates foreign policy and deals with nations hostile to the United States and Christianity. Capture Barack Obama's heart in such a way that he fears you more than the opinions of people. Grant him unspeakable joy. Quicken your words that have been planted in his spirit so that his strength will always be found in you and your promises. (2 Timothy 1:7; Psalm 34:4; Nehemiah 8:10; Philippians 3:1; John 15:11; 16:33; Isaiah 58:6; Colossians 3:1-2)

Pray for the Compassion of Jesus

"...he had compassion on them...." Matthew 14:14

Lord Jesus, bestow favor on our President, even with his adversaries, as he works to unify Washington to solve social problems such as unemployment, poverty and illiteracy. Put your love in his heart for the underprivileged and the outcasts, both here and around the world. America has always taken the lead in global humanitarian efforts; fill President Obama's heart with righteous indignation and Christlike compassion for the right causes so that he will lead us as a nation to continue to give generously of our time and resources. (Luke 2:52; Romans 5:5; John 17; Psalm 133)

Pray for Personal Protection

"...and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard." Isaiah 58:8

Almighty and everlasting God, shield President Obama from the devil and all his schemes. Hedge him in on all sides from terrorists and violent people, yet keep him grounded in the knowledge that his real struggle is not against people, but against powers of a very real, dark world and spiritual forces in the heavenly realms. Bestow on Barack, Michelle, Malia and Sasha your full armor: the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit. We trust in you, our heavenly Father, to hear these prayers and answer according to your goodness and mercy. (Luke 10:19; Romans 16:20; 1 Peter 5:8-9; Ephesians 6:10-18; Psalm 91:11-12; 1 Corinthians 1:10-11)