INTERCESSORS OF ISSACHAR

RESURRECTION LIFE MINISTRIES

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY working together as LEVELS OF PRAYER SUPPORT

Prayer partnerships represent God's heart in team ministry with both OFFENSIVE and DEFENSIVE scriptural strategies.

It is definitely not God's plan that we should labour alone. The Lord can transfer His heart and strategy to intercessors that are committed to standing in the gap.

Please refer to the website under Intercessors of Issachar as it relates to Jacob and Leah's son Issachar. As Jacob is speaking blessings and prophetic utterances over each of his sons and their generations the only two referred to as related to the donkey (burden bearer) were Judah and Issachar.

The greatest <u>defense</u> is a strong <u>offense</u>. Moses was able to be successful in the assignment the Lord gave him concerning Joshua as Aaron and Hur came alongside him.

As the RLM sphere of influence in the Kingdom increases and we contend for God's will to be done on earth, the kingdom of darkness goes about to hinder and frustrate our work and the work of those working in 'the fields' around the world. The enemy wages war against this ministry through trials, tests, temptations and targets our body, soul, spirit as well as our loved ones.

LEVEL ONE group of intercessors and prayer partners and LEVEL TWO group of prayer partners may have one focus or more than one focus targets of prayer.

LEVEL ONE group target prayer focus will be for Ray, Leslie, and families as well as the ministry.

LEVEL TWO group target prayer focus will be for one or both NATIONS and/or CANADA as well as the ministry concerning each one. For example, there are those that have a heart and call specific to Canada and those who have a stronger call to pray for the Nations. Some will have the heart of prayer for both the nations and Canada.

Both will have a heart for Ray and Leslie and the ministry of Resurrection Life.

A prayer partner prays for you. An intercessor hears God and prays God's heart for you.

Intercessor qualities include:

Core quality is LOVE. Those who love us as the leaders will make the sacrifice of time and energy to intercede for us and love will protect our hearts from criticism.

Ability to respect confidential information and can be trusted with personal matters that often require the most prayer.

Availability. For those who are overcommitted may have good intentions but, may not actually be able to hold us up in prayer.

Humility – that is not looking for recognition. Those who seek recognition may find they become highly disappointed and then sometimes highly critical of the leaders and the ministry. They are willing to stay behind the scenes.

Strong Christian character, persons of integrity are more important than how much they know how to pray.

ROLE OF INTERCESSORS (level one)

Pray daily if possible or on a regular basis. No condemnation or guilt if they are not able to pray daily.

Pray as Holy Spirit leads and directs.

Pray but don't counsel. The Lord does often reveal His plans to those that pray. If you receive a Scripture or prophetic word for us then please ask the Lord if you are to share it and the timing of it if so.

The intercessor should not talk about or entertain anyone who talks about the leaders or the family. Does not repeat anything we as leaders ask for prayer about. If there is uncertainty about the confidentiality of a request, ask permission to share with others.

Expect the intercession to be a sacrifice of love.

Stand in the gap as the enemy is looking to attack in places of weakness. God's defense is when intercessors stand in the gap where the wall of protection is crumbling down. Ask the Lord to rebuild vulnerable places in the leader's life. It is important for the intercessor to be on guard to protect your heart against disillusionment, disappointment and even criticism against us as leaders.

Role of Prayer Partners (level two)

These partners and intercessors are vital to any ministry. They pray and have a heart to pray not only for the ministry but for Canada, and or for the Nations.

Prayer requests will focus more on specific needs for a region, for one or more leaders in a region or nation.

Keep a record of the requests

Pray daily or on a regular basis for 4–6-week period or until notified otherwise.

FOR BOTH LEVEL ONE AND LEVEL TWO INTERCESSORS AND PRAYER PARTNERS PLEASE

REFER TO THE PRINCIPLES FOR EFFECTIVE INTERCESSION (AS TAUGHT BY JOY DAWSON) as found on the Intercessors of Issachar section on the webpage as referred to earlier.