

# pray for ★ columbus

January 2023 Prayer Guide - Make us One

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## ANSWERED PRAYERS

- We have been praying for more unity in the body of Christ in our city for years. Praise God for His answers! Over 150 organizations were represented in our recent Leaders Summit and many expressions of visible unity have been on display over this past year.
  - Read more about UNIFIED, a ministry dedicated to amplifying our unity in public spaces [here](#).
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## SPECIFIC REQUESTS

- **Ask God to make us one.** Pray that we would reflect the unity in the Godhead *so that* the world may know Jesus' gift of salvation.
- Pray that division would no longer breed atheism in our culture. Pray instead that the world would see the **body of Christ working together to seek the good of the city and advancement of the good news of Christ.**
- Pray **against silos and division and for a spirit of unity** between congregations, nonprofits, civic leaders and marketplace leaders in Columbus.
- Please **pray for abundant financial provision** for the work of reaching the city of Columbus. Pray for generosity among Christ-followers in our city.
- **Ask God for a compelling vision for the flourishing peace of Columbus** that inspires leaders across our city. Ask God to help leaders listen to one another and gain understanding for moving forward.
- Pray for supernatural peace, strength, bravery, clarity of thought for network groups and their leaders and for **deeper engagement between congregations and the non-profit community.**

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## PRAISE and THANKSGIVING

- Take a moment to personally **meditate on Jesus' love** for you and His sacrifice on the cross. Praise and thank Him for this tremendous act of love.
  - **Praise God for who He is.** Write out a list and meditate on His attributes described in *Psalms 145 and Romans 8:31-39*.
  - **Thank God for the movement of unity in Columbus** through unified prayer and relationship building between pastors, nonprofits and businesses.
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## CONFESSION and INTERCESSION

- **Invite the Holy Spirit to convict you of anything** in you that is out of alignment with His will. **Yield to God's prompting** if confession or forgiveness is needed. (see *Psalms 139:23-24, 1 John 4:9-11*)
  - **Bless your family, neighborhood and all of Columbus with a spirit of unity.** Pray especially for reconciliation and forgiveness in the body of Christ.
  - Ask God to **break down divisions and silos** between followers of Christ in Columbus. May we be made one just as Jesus prayed to the Father.
  - Pray for God's **commanded blessing when brothers and sisters in our city dwell together in unity.** (See *Psalms 133*)
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## PRAY ALOUD

Father God, because of sin, the chasm between us was far too wide to cross. With man, it was impossible, but You made a way! Miraculously, Jesus' cross bridged the vast divide between us and made a way for us to be one with You. May the forgiveness and grace You offer us empower and free us to be ministers of reconciliation with others. We pray that just as You are one, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may Your followers all be one. May we operate as one body with diverse parts and functions, but with one head. Help us to overcome pride, covetousness and competition. Break down divisions and silos in our city. May we live for Your glory alone and not our own. Make us one, Father God, make us one! In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.