

Prayer Theme: Election//MP's

THEME OVERVIEW: 2015 is a significant year with the General Election in May. As Christians we are called to pray for our nation and for those in authority. Whatever political persuasion we have we want to see our nation led by men and women who seek the best for this country. We know that the best for this country is to follow the leading and guidance of God in all things. So let's take seriously our responsibility to pray. Let's pray for those who will eventually be elected as MPs. Pray for those who are currently MPs and those who may not retain their seat.

BIBLE VERSES:

1 Timothy 2:1 - Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men.

Proverbs 4:7-8 - Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding. Exalt her, and she will promote you; she will bring you honour when you embrace her.

PRAYER POINTS:

- Thank God for your MP(s) and for the good they have accomplished in your community.
- Pray for those who are elected/re-elected that they will run a clean, good campaign and fulfil their assurances and the commitments pledged.
- Pray that they will find their role in Parliament and make wise choices as to which issues, groups, committees to join and give their support to.
- Pray for their family situations that are affected by an election and whether or not they
 are elected. Pray for unity and healthy marriages and families; wisdom in balancing
 different responsibilities.

CREATIVE IDEAS/PRAYER ROOM:

- Go to <u>www.engage15.org.uk</u> and/or <u>www.prayerfocus.today</u> for more info and ideas on what to pray.
- Who is your local MP? Find out what issues are important to them (find their parliamentary
 web page and follow them on social media). What committees are they on/previously been
 on? Can you align your prayers to any of their issues? Pray for these agreement points in
 your community for issues specific to your locality. Display any causes or issues to pray
 about.
- Get a Map of your community and pray over it.