

AWAKEN (1) 28th Aug-4th Sep

AWAKEN: September is a 'Gateway' month in that it marks the end of the Summer holiday season and the beginning of the new academic year. It is the beginning of the Annual Conference season for our political parties. They will be meeting against a backdrop of uncertainty and confusion following the outcome of the E.U. Referendum.

'AWAKEN' speaks of action, determination, and fresh resolve. There is an urgent need for the Church here in the U.K. to 'AWAKEN' and to respond to the challenge of the hour. There is the call to 'AWAKEN' in terms of a fresh commitment to prayer and the task of mission. There has to be a response not only in terms of the Church, but also on the part of us as individuals. We are living in momentous times, a critical period in the history of our nation, and there must be that determination to seek the face of God for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit, firstly upon His Church and subsequently the nation.

We invite you to join with hundreds of people throughout our Elim Movement to engage in prayer during this month of September **#AwakenSep**

Key Bible Verses

ROMANS 13: 11 AND DO THIS, KNOWING THE TIME, THAT NOW IT IS HIGH TIME TO AWAKEN OUT OF SLEEP; FOR OUR SALVATION IS NEARER THAN WHEN WE FIRST BELIEVED.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:34 AWAKEN TO RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND DO NOT SIN...

LAMENTATIONS 3: 34 (A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL AWAKENING) LET US SEARCH OUT AND EXAMINE OUR WAYS, AND TO TURN BACK TO THE LORD.

Prayer Points

- Pray for yourself personally, that God will awaken in you a renewed desire to serve Him, and that you may experience a fresh infilling of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for the life and witness of your Local Church; that there may be an awakening in the lives of those in leadership, and in the lives of the congregation. Pray for there to be an awakening of fresh vision and direction.
- Pray for the nation, that in the midst of the current political uncertainty, a clear message may come from the Church bringing hope and reconciliation where there has been division.

- Pray for those believers who have become discouraged and have lost their passion to serve Christ. Pray that there may be an awakening and a renewed desire to dedicate themselves to the cause of The Kingdom of God.

Creative Ideas

- Prayer walk your immediate neighbourhood asking God to give you revelation and insight into the needs of your community.
- Pray that God may expand your prayer horizon. Examine the web sites of ministries to do with the support of The Persecuted Church. Ask your Church to purchase copies of the book; 'OPERATION WORLD' written by Jason Mandryk, this is a publication that documents the spiritual status of every nation in the world and provides prayer points for each nation. Place copies of this book in your Church prayer room. This will serve to 'Awaken' a passion in people to pray for global mission.
- Consider getting up half an hour before your usual time and devote that time to praying for specific named people who you want to see come to faith in Christ.