

*Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.*



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God is calling . . .

**Pray that being the presence of Christ
becomes the default mode for all of us.**



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Prayer Guide

... discipleship, missional living:
not a spectator sport



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Places of Grace

...where God has touched us to touch others



new church starts

Through a young church

- ... born at a time of natural disaster, Bridgewater Church
- ... reaching out to those in need from all walks of life
- ... to be the presence of Christ has become second nature
- ...providing care packages for soldiers, beanie babies and love for children in combat zones
- ...aiding folks in economic, psychological and spiritual crisis
- ...a continual encouraging presence to folks rebuilding their lives and looking for spiritual harbor

Pray...

- * for strengthening of this young fellowship
- * for starting of other new congregations reaching new folks from all walks
- * for women and men to respond with passion to the call to plant new fellowships eager to be the presence of Christ

Caring about the things Jesus cares about

- ...taking seriously those 2,000 verses speaking of God's compassion for the poor
- ... Together for Hope – a 20 year commitment to the 20 poorest counties/parishes in the U.S.
- ... Louisiana East Carroll/Tensas work growing
- ...3 churches & 53 participants rehabbed 4 homes
- ...1,006 book bags distributed to children in need
- ...3/4 of money raised to fund full time missionary



together for hope

Pray...

- * for final funding for full time missionary in Lake Providence
- * for growing local partnerships in reconciliation and hope
- * for expanding ministry opportunities in literacy, construction, community gardening, evangelism, community development and bridge building across economic and racial lines
- * for growing mission opportunities for church groups around the state and beyond to learn the work first hand
- * for taking lessons learned back to their own communities to enlarge compassion and ministries for the poor



disaster response

To the least of these pounded by the storms of life

- ...a long term commitment which began 3 years ago
- ...continues as long as God gives us strength
- ...resources are multiplied through many partnerships
- ... hundreds have responded from around our state, the US and Canada
- ...hundreds have been helped in the name of Christ

Pray...

- * for ongoing disaster work
- * for wisdom, patience and safety of responders
- * for the calling out of new teams of responders
- * for expanding partnerships to multiply resources

