



November 2021 Prayer Guide

SHALOM PEACE

“For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him, [Jesus] and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross. Colossians 1:19-20, NIV

Dear Praying friends,

Our theme this month is **blessing our city with God’s shalom peace** . Shalom is a Biblical term meaning flourishing peace and well-being in every aspect - spiritual, physical, economic, social, and psychological. It means peace with God within oneself and with others. This term is used in the Aaronic blessing and used throughout the Bible to signify alignment with God’s heart and will.

Our city and world desperately need shalom peace. There has been an alarming increase in violent crime in our city and even our mayor is calling on the faith community to lock arms against a spirit of murder raging against our community. **Let’s agree together for a dramatic decrease in rates of violence in Columbus and bless our city with the shalom peace found in Jesus Christ alone.**

In 2020, Nearly 40 churches in our city came together to sing Kari Jobe’s “The Blessing” song over each other and over our city. The lyrics come straight from the Aaronic Blessing in Numbers 6:24-26. Go to this [link](#) to watch! While you listen along, pray the lyrics over yourself, your family and over our city. **Let’s contend for God’s Kingdom to come and for His will to be done in our lives and in Columbus, Ohio!**

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PRAISE and THANKSGIVING

- Take a moment to praise and thank God for the **gift of His shalom peace through redemption and reconciliation in His Son, Jesus** (pray through: *Colossians 1:19-20, Isaiah 9:6, 11:1-9, and Luke 2:14*)
 - Praise God that our new Police Chief, Elaine Bryant and Assistant Police Chief LaShanna Potts have **explicitly asked for Chaplains to attend to families at every place of violent crime** in our city.
 - Praise God for Unified, the October 3rd prayer and worship gathering at the Ohio Statehouse, where **dozens of churches gathered together to worship and pray for Columbus!**
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CONFESSION and INTERCESSION

- Take a moment to **confess anything in you that is out of alignment** with God's shalom peace. Ask Jesus to search you and speak words of truth and love (see *Psalms 139:23-24, 1 John 4:9-11*)
 - **Bless your family, neighborhood and all of Columbus with shalom peace** according to *Numbers 6:24-26*. You may even feel led to sing this blessing aloud as God leads.
 - Pray for a **dramatic decrease in violence in Columbus and for God's protection** according to *Psalms 91*.
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PRAY ALOUD

Lord Jesus, we call upon You, the Prince of Peace, to come in greater measure into our homes, our families, our schools, our workplaces and our streets. Without You there is no peace. We need You desperately! We ask for Your Spirit to be poured out over our city in such a way that can only be explained as the hand of God. We take authority over every attack and scheme of the enemy and we loose Your warring angels to guard and protect Your people. May You be glorified in us and have Your way in us today. In Jesus' precious Name, Amen.