

Prayer This Week

Our focus this week is: **Our City and Our Nation**

A. God, I pray this week for Calgary:

1. Civic Leaders:

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2. Churches:

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3. Issues & Events:

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B. God, our nation needs your intervention. I pray today for:

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C. The Cry of my heart this morning for our city and our nation is:

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D. Praying for one another:

Healing & Strength: Doreen Antliff, Pat Robson, Don Harris,
Constance McEwan, Mary Richmond,
Allan Holoboff, Lois Mascher, Bernie Smith,
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Nation we are in prayer for this week

Zimbabwe - Africa



Area: 390,759 sq km
Landlocked state in southern Africa.
Population: 12,644,041

Religion	Pop %	Ann Gr	
Christians	9,861,088	77.99	1.1
Evangelicals	3,910,631	30.90	2.2

Annual Growth: 0.27% **Capital:** Harare

Challenges for Prayer

Young people have watched idealistic visions fade to empty slogans and oppressive misrule. They constitute a huge swathe of the population, but have little reason to hope for improvement to their difficult lot. Pray for the ministries of:

a) Fellowship of Christian Unions – FOCUS(IFES) has 50 groups with 5,000 students served by five full-time and one part-time staff. In the midst of societal dysfunction the students continue to declare the gospel and help where they can to serve the practical needs of the people.

b) Scripture Union has had a decisive impact on the educated via its work in secondary schools. They impart life skills to younger students, work with orphans and children at risk and provide HIV/AIDS education. Camp ministry has been especially fruitful. Pray for more Christian teachers to nurture this work in their spare time.

c) African Enterprise impacts about 50,000 people and hundreds of churches per year with its youth-oriented Foxfire ministries. This ministry, going since 1980, has spiritually shaped many of the nation's top Christian leaders.

Pray for the less-evangelized. Zimbabwe has been extensively evangelized, but areas of need remain:

a) The rural areas, often neglected for church planting and for sending qualified workers. Pray more will be called to this humble but vital task. Pray also for evangelistic outreaches and suitable literature distribution specifically to these areas.

b) The burgeoning cities, swollen with hundreds of thousands of rural migrants looking for non-existent jobs. Squatter settlements are multiplying and crime is on the increase. Outreach to the unemployed is a major challenge.

c) Less-reached peoples. There are some congregations in every indigenous people, but relatively few among the Tonga, Nambya and Dombe of the Hwange-Kariba area in the northwest (where the **AoG** have made a significant impact), the Kunda in the northeast and the Tswa in the southeast.