

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: Pat Robson, Constance McEwan, Bernie Smith,
Rachel Dunkerley-Underwood, Pastor John Teibe,
Mary Richmond, Heine Larsen, Bill Dyck,
Dennis Ripley

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Nation we are in prayer for this week

China – Asia



Geography

Area: 9,573,000 sq km

The third-largest state in the

world, also containing the highest mountains and plateaus in the world. The climate and geography are extremely diverse, ranging from tropical in the south to sub-arctic in the north, from a highly industrialized and modern eastern seaboard to sparsely populated western deserts and mountain ranges. Hong Kong and Macau are integral parts of China, though their statistics are not included here; Taiwan's status is debated. These three are handled separately.

Population: 1,330,584,783 **Annual Growth:** 0.63% **Capital:** Beijing

Challenges for Prayer

Heilongjiang Province

A great harvest has been gathered and is still coming in this fertile province. Rapid growth is occurring in house churches and the TSPM, in rural and urban areas. Church growth came late to Heilongjiang, but has been dramatic – with the Christian population doubling every 10 years. Pray for their deepening faith, greater knowledge of Scripture and continued multiplication of their numbers.

Henan Province

Henan was declared an “Atheistic Zone” in the 1960s, but since then has been the engine room of church growth in China. Fangcheng county is referred to as the “Jesus Nest”! Church growth has been spectacular. Revival began during the Cultural Revolution with mass conversions, miracles and vision for evangelizing China. Some counties in Henan today are reported to be a large majority Christian. It comfortably has the largest TSPM and house church populations, but growth is beginning to slow and churches are consolidating. Henan, taken as a separate country, would have the world's seventh-highest number of evangelicals. Outreach from Henan churches is one of the great stories of the expansion of Christianity. Church-planting teams (often young women) fanned out over China, followed by discipling teachers. Praise God for this massive and nation-changing growth.

Religion

		Pop %	Ann Gr
Christians	105,382,315	7.92	2.7
Evangelicals	75,399,270	5.7	2.9
Non-religious	590,247,410	44.36	