



16 HOUR ONLINE PRAYER MEETING

Welcome to our Zoom-based 16-hour prayer meeting. This Zoom meeting will be open from 06:00 to 22:00 on Wednesday, 26 June. The day is divided into half-hour slots, and we will have a leader in each slot to facilitate the prayer as others join in. By the end of the prayer chain, we will have achieved 16 hours of continuous prayer. The purpose of this week is to grow in our practice of prayer and to intercede for our church and our nation.

Prayer is powerful. The Moravian Church started a round-the-clock "prayer watch" in 1727 that continued for over 100 years. By 1791, that small church community had sent 300 missionaries to the ends of the earth. As we pray, may God make us more effective for him too.

PRAYER GUIDE

What should we pray for?

1. Pray for the upcoming elections in Mauritius.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 (NIV)

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people — for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

- For godly and righteous leaders to be elected
- For the right people to be appointed to the right positions
- For the democratic process to be free and fair

2. Pray for Christians to be an influence for good in Mauritius

1 Peter 2:12 (NIV)

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

- For ethical business practices
- For hard work and good values
- For strong families and healthy relationships

3. Pray for the church to grow in the practice of prayer

Mark 14:37-38 (NIV)

Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour? Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

- For an increased desire to pray and to seek God's help
- For better habits of prayer instead of waiting for an emergency
- For sincerity in prayer rather than going through the motions

Closing

Sometimes, prayer flows easily, and time seems to disappear. Other times, it seems like prayer is hard work, and time seems to stand still. Whatever your experience of prayer in this half hour, may God use this time for his glory. May you grow in the practice of prayer, and may you be encouraged as you pray together with other believers.

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