

Olympia, WA: This was the fourth consecutive year of participation, and will be participating again in 2010.

—Mitch Denning

Jamestown, NY: “We gathered in a park in the center of town to pray. The entire downtown area had been divided into 18 different prayer routes. All the participants were sent out to prayerwalk in twos or threes. Upon returning about 30 minutes later, they continued on with the Global Day of Prayer activities.”

—Roy Miller

Sarasota/Bradenton, FL: “This was by far our best GDOP. The Spirit of the Lord was so strong and the sense of joining with the entire world this year (all 220 countries) was a huge momentum builder. The peace and presence of the Lord was palpable. For the Ninety Days of Blessing we will again participate Re-habitat for Humanity. This is our 4th year to participate and we have repaired or rebuilt 70 homes so far.”

—Dale Schlafer

Lakeway, TX: Our gathering was held in a city park. The youth group manned a prayer tent and we have 6 baptisms.

—Glenn Hubbart

Marshall, IL: Ten churches, an out-reach ministry and a nursing home dedicated over 300 hrs of prayer during the ten days. Of Course the Celebration was awesome!!!! God's children gathered on the lawn of Clark County Court house. The band settled in the 150 year old Band stand/ Gazebo on our courthouse lawn and sent up a fragrant offering as we joined them in prayer and songs. Then 7 pastors representing many different denominations prayed thru each section of the GDOP prayer as a hundred or so folks joined in. One body united in prayer. We then formed a circle surrounding these Holy men and prayed over them. It felt great to be part of God's vision for prayer in this world. People filtered in from the street, stopped in their cars to listen, motorcyclists coasted by so as not to interrupt the sound of God's children praising Him. Awesome day Awesome!!! God is so good. The best part is God heard from his children in faith and He is answering.

—Paul Boyer

Olathe, KS: Adopt-a-School (schools inviting churches to come and help) is proving very successful in K.C., Kansas and K.C., Missouri. We are uniting in Olathe to become involved in this same program, have set training dates and working with Olathe Schools for not just 90 days of blessing, but ongoing for years to come.

—Susie Barnes

Elkin, NC: The presence of God was so strong as we were under the tent praying for the world as everyone came together from different cultures.

—Chris Richardson

Antigo, WI: This was the first time that we know of in our city's history that there was an interdenominational prayer gathering. A little rain did not hinder a tremendous turnout of in our city park

—Danny Pyeatt

St Louis, MO: Of most importance to us is that a great number of people indicated they definitely felt God's presence during this time of prayer and praise. Unique Aspects: choir of 90, dance team of 75, nations procession of 65, superb worship band, two MCs and 10 prayer leaders with no one introduced by name or in the program as only the name of Jesus was acknowledged and lifted.

—Charlie Fay

Houston, TX: There were 7 separate gatherings throughout the city, including two in prisons.

—Brian Gowan

Philadelphia, PA: We have already begun preparing for a large undertaking in 2010. We will saturate our city with a combination of March for Jesus and Global Day of Prayer along with a Convoy of Hope.

—Ruth Willard

Reedsville, PA: We distributed the prayer guides throughout our county and encouraged each church to read "A Prayer for the World" during their regular Sunday service and then to join together in the evening for a combined service. During the combined service, the children lead us in "A Prayer for the World." We also had a unified effort in establishing ten days of constant prayer.

—Juanita Byler

Cleveland, TN: It was the best gathering every in the past 5 years. The team emphasis this year was to have the heart of Elijah: "that God will return the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the children to their fathers." Youth groups and youth leaders facilitated a separate worship service of their own. When they came back to the regular service, the pastors and elders of the city prayed over the youth and then the youth prayed over the city leadership.

—Michael Obi

Las Vegas, NV: We gathered together via phone with a group of 50 in the Philippines and a group of 75 in Liberia. We formed a prayer chain that connected Las Vegas to the Philippines then to Liberia and back to Las Vegas. Because of the time difference we each were able to read "A Prayer for the World" on Sunday, May 31st even though it was a 24-hour prayer chain.

—Linda Kurtz

Lexington, SC: There was a real sense of unity even though we were from several different congregations. The service was also broadcast live on radio.

—Derrick Gardner

Northfield, MA: On “Sunday afternoon, around 70 of us gathered in the 2,000-person Auditorium for the Global Day of Prayer. A highlight of the gathering was reading “A Prayer for the World” provided by the GDOP in that auditorium. We all read it in unison, our voices filling and seeming to shake the auditorium in agreement with millions of believers from all of the 220 nations of the earth. This was the first year that every nation of the world participated. National media may not be taking notice, but in the Spirit, there never was a day like May 31, 2009.”

—Jonathan Friz

Tucson, AZ: GDOP has been a blessing to us in Tucson as a spark to build relationships and rally prayer that will bear fruit in years to come. Each year has gotten better here to that long-term goal to see more prayer and transformation. GDOP Tucson vision: To pray together and build relationships within the body of Christ that will persevere, lead to action to transform our city and have effect to the ends of the earth.

—Michael Birrer

Evanston, IL: For ten days the Lord met us each night with such power and love. Words cannot describe how the spirit of the Lord moved over his people with loving-kindness. From our youth to our seniors they came and cried out in unity to the Lord and He heard our cries. We know our lives will never be the same and the Lord is continually moving over our hearts to “go ye therefore and compel the people to come.” We are in the process of planning a citywide prayer event for the late summer. I am so blessed to be apart of the prayer movement. I know the battle will be won our knees. I trust God in everything for our city that lost souls will fill the households of faith throughout the world. I thank you for allowing us to be a part of GDOP and we look forward to 2010.

—Gayle Allen

Show Low, AZ: What a great day for the White Mountains . . . joining with literally 100s of millions of brothers and sisters across the globe! The White Mountain House of Prayer team led songs of prayer and praise throughout the event as eight area pastors led the opening and the seven sections of “A Prayer for the World.” Setup for the event was delayed a 1/2 hr due to light rain but we were still able to start on time. A latecomer reported that it was hailing just a couple miles down the road! God protected our hilltop amphitheater for an hour and half allowing a beautiful backdrop of majestic rain clouds moving over the nearby peaks. Light rain resumed AFTER we finished.

—Michael Benning

Oberlin, OH: We had a prayerwalk from MLK Park to Tappan Square on Oberlin College campus (approximately 1/2 mile) praying along the way. Then we sang, read scripture, and prayed through the GDOP prayer. We had a glorious time of celebrating. We prayed, sang, and preached from Acts 2, and worshipped together as one church but seven congregations--much like the Church of Asia in Revelation. The Holy Spirit met us there as we united our hearts with brothers and sisters around the globe.

—Laurence Nevels

Charlotte, NC: Very vibrant and explosive event. The community really came out to support this first-time effort in Charlotte. The participation level of the attendees was very high with different prayer segments and worship songs. We are looking forward to 2010.

—Brenda Jackson

Charles Town, WV: “It was an honor to be part of what God was doing as we came together in unity. The presence of the Holy Spirit was strong as we worship and prayed together. Everything went very smooth and we give glory to God for His faithfulness.

We believe that God was pleased as we unite with the rest of world in prayer.”

—Yimbi Rogombe

Colfax, NC: “Our group broke up and prayed by the 6 continents (save Antarctica) and then by the 4 winds (MT 24:31). We met each night and 2 Saturday breakfasts to pray for 10 days. Attendance was limited but prayer was powerful.”

—Jeff Palmer

Lakeland, FL: We concentrated on the Ten Days of Constant Prayer by recruiting ten local churches across the city to host one of the daily prayer gatherings. These prayer gatherings were broadcast LIVE on <http://BlogTalkRadio.com/FriarWade>. Our theme song was “God of this City” recorded by Chris Tomlin.

—Father Fahnestock

NW Houston, TX: In the past, one church dominated the attendance. So, it was encouraging to see a larger turn out from multiple churches. The Holy Spirit really seemed to anoint our prayers for the next generation and issues around that topic (poverty, genocide, sex trafficking, mentoring, etc.). We were blessed with a diversity of ethnic background and churches for the prayer event. We also had a blended worship team made up of participants from several congregations.

—Jeff McGee

Roseville, MN: What an incredible experience to pray for the nations, knowing that people in every nation of the world were praying it as well. What a sense of unity, power and mission. And, the most powerful and encouraging part of the event was knowing that the prayers in our church who gathered together were by no means small and were in fact multiplied beyond anything we could imagine as they rose to the God along with the prayers of millions of others around the world!

—David Smith

Katy, TX: We had prayer offered in 11 different languages ending in the Hebrew tongue.

—Gbolahan Faluade

Colorado Springs, CO: We are participating in the Ninety Days of Blessing in many different ways. We are reaching out to the families of prisoners. We will be focusing a lot of our attention in and around the local high school. We will be offering tutoring, some seminars on practical topics for parents in tough places as well.

Minneapolis, MN: We had a wonderful time at the Global Day of Prayer Gathering at the Minneapolis Convention Center on May 31. Nearly 1,000 people worshiped and prayed together--and then looked forward to the 90 Days of Blessing. A variety of denominations and ethnic groups were represented on Sunday night, which is more of a true picture of the Body of Christ in the Twin Cities. Different styles of worship and expressions of prayer all came together to join with the 220 nations of the world! We were a part of a truly historic moment in the history of the Church. We pray that we will continue to grow in our passion for Christ's glory to be known throughout the earth!
—Dr Bob Bakke