

G8/20 Summit

PRAYER GUIDE

leaves for the healing of the nations... Rev 22:2

It's Time Canada!

The President of the G8 in 2009 declared "2010 is Canada's year". This statement, spoken by a secular world leader, rings with great prophetic insight. 2010 is indeed a year where Canada is being asked to not only host the biggest global events of the planet, but to give them leadership. It's time for this nation to not just pray and dream about the destiny of ministering Jesus' healing to the nations- but to do it.

As the leaders of the world's most powerful nations gather June 25-27th in Ontario, we have an amazing opportunity to see this ministry of healing for the nations influence the G8 & 20 Summits. Our Prime Minister is putting forward an agenda for the summit of maternal health, which is in the spirit of caring for "widows and orphans" (scripturally, a primary justice issue) and we can back him up in prayer to see global shifts towards righteousness and justice come out of this summit; shifts toward the Kingdom of God.

We know what it's like to see prayers for government answered, let's now stretch our faith to the nations!

What is the G8?

The G8 is the group of leaders of 8 of the world's most industrialized nations. Annually they hold a summit to discuss important global issues and try to find solutions that can be drafted into a summit agreement. The main issues discussed are generally, health, education and peace and security. The location and leadership of the summit rotates every year between the 8 nations and this year it is Canada's turn, so the Summit will be held in Huntsville, in the Muskoka area of Ontario.

What is the G20?

The G20 is comprised of 20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors from the world's developing and industrialized economies. The purpose of the summit is to create a forum to discuss important global economic issues. The focus of the G20 is global economic development and stability. National economies are effected by these summits every year and as a result so are the people of these countries; rich and poor. This year the summit is being held in Toronto and is focusing on the economic recovery.

Why is it important to pray for the G8 & 20?

It is critical that the church prays fervently for these summits, as major global decisions and ideas come out of the G8 that will determine the direction of many nations for years to come. As Canada is leading the G8 this year, the Canadian Church can influence the outcome of these global decisions made on our

watch and on our soil through prayer, so let's take our place! It also important that we pray for the G20, as decisions that come out of this summit effect economic direction, prosperity and national sovereignty.

This Year's Priority:

"As president of the G8 in 2010, Canada will champion a major initiative to improve the health of women and children in the world's poorest regions. Members of the G8 can make a tangible difference in maternal and child health and Canada will be making this the top priority in June."

"There is other business to be transacted at the G8 as well as informal discussions on security, nuclear proliferation and the environment. But our focus on maternal and child health will be a priority."

-Prime Minister Stephen Harper

The G8 Leaders:

Canada: Prime Minister Stephen Harper	Sherpa: Leonard J. Edwards
France: President Nicolas Sarkozy.	Sherpa: Jean-David Levitte
Germany: Chancellor Angela Merkel	Sherpa: Bernd Pfaffenbach
Italy: Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi*	Sherpa: Giampeiro Massolo
Japan: Prime Minister Hatoyama	Sherpa: not yet public
Russia: President Dmitry Medvedev.	Sherpa: Arkady Dvorkovich
USA: President Barack Obama	Sherpa: not yet public
UK: Prime Minister Gordon Brown*	Sherpa: Jonathan Cunliffe

European Council: President Herman Van Rompuy

European Commission: Jose Manuel Barroso

*with up-coming elections these leaders may change

HOW DO WE PRAY?



Pray for Canada

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.."

- Pray that Canada will lead the G8 to change it's position and refuse to fund abortions in the developing world, but will support and fund compassionate programs for mothers and children.
- Pray for courage and strength for the Government to stand its ground on this position (non-funding of abortion in the developing world) as spiritual and political pressure increases in Parliament leading up to the Summit.
- Pray for God's protection and security for Canada during these global meetings.
- Pray that the Lord will powerfully use the G8 & G20 to establish Canada's role of bringing God's healing in a greater way among the nations.

Pray for the Leaders

"Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son." Ps 72:1

G8

- Pray for Prime Minister Harper who is giving leadership to the Summit, that he will walk in the fear of the Lord and in the anointing to “do justly, and love mercy”. Mic 6:8.
- Pray for each of the world leaders attending the G8 and their “sherpas”(chief bureaucrats), pray that they will receive wisdom, and be influenced by the justice, and righteousness of God.
- Pray that all advisors and sherpas will be chosen by God to be positive influences in the Summit.
- Pray for the families of each of these leaders.

G20

- Pray for strong leadership for Finance Minister Jim Flaherty on this world stage, and that he would not be pressured into making unrighteous compromises in the light of the recent economic crisis in Europe.
- Pray for all the 20 Finance ministers that are meeting for the G20 Summit.

Pray for the Summits

“Because the poor are plundered, because the needy groan, I will now arise,” says the Lord; “I will place him in the safety for which he longs.” Ps12:5

- Pray for the Lord would preside over the summits, and that His Kingdom purposes would result.
- Pray for Canada’s anointing of bringing God’s healing to the nations would fill the summit’s decisions.
- Pray for great unity and a spirit of cooperation in the meetings so that maximum productivity will result.
- Pray that concrete, pro-active steps toward implementing the decisions, are agreed on.

G8

- Pray for innovative, courageous and compassionate solutions to the plight of impoverished mothers and children to be decided on by the world’s richest nations.
- Contend for justice to breakout!
- Pray for faith-based NGOs (Non-government Organizations) to be able to attend and contribute to the meetings.
- The maternal health issue is the major agenda item, but pray also that other agenda items of the Summit are also considered with great wisdom.
- Pray that corruption or selfish agenda will not be able to derail the meetings.

G20

- Pray that the G20 meetings will also be influenced by the wisdom of God, and that they will be able to make decisions that will bring long term solutions to strengthen the world’s economies.

Pray for Huntsville & Toronto

“Like your name O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth...” Ps 48:10

- Pray for an atmosphere of peace and God’s presence at both Huntsville and in the G20 meetings in Toronto. Pray that there will be no violent or aggressive protesting.
- Pray that there be no security threats or fear of terrorism.

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