God Will Make a Way

ISAIAH 43:15-16

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It is a great privilege to gather twice a year as a global movement to put down our normal ministry rhythms, seek God's face, and remember that He is with us. Yet this can also be a challenge. *What about the email that needs to be sent? That Bible Study that needs to be led?*

Just like the weekly practice of Sabbath often requires a day of preparation, so might your experience of the Worldwide Day of Prayer be greatly improved by some intentionality. **We hope the following questions and linked resources enrich your experience of this day of prayer:**

Who will you pray with? Where will you pray?

Will your team gather together? Or will you gather with other teams in your city? Will you travel to pray with others? Or will you gather remotely with others? Consider how you make the day special by who and where you gather to pray. One of our values for the day is to spend time in community with others.

How will you prepare?

The busyness of life can crowd out spiritual vibrancy. Consider tilling the ground of your soul with this <u>ten day devotional</u>.

What appointments do you need to reschedule? Can you delegate your ministry responsibilities or take care of them on Monday or Wednesday? Planning ahead can help you be present to what God wants to do. Begin planning a couple weeks before so that you and those you'll be praying with have time to coordinate. For those looking to plan something with a larger scope (city, metro area, department, ministry partners, etc.) you may want to add several weeks or more to this timeline.

What will you do?

Just like with a day with the Lord, the Day of Prayer can be daunting if we don't create a plan with enough structure to guide our time, but flexible enough to respond to God's leading in the moment. <u>This optional schedule</u> is a great template to follow. If you're a team or ministry leader, is there someone who you can ask to put a plan together for your team?

Finally, we hope you'll make plans to join our all-U.S. staff prayer time from 1:30-3:30 p.m. EDT. You can access the livestream and other prayer resources from the <u>Worldwide Day of Prayer page</u>