

# THE POWER OF PRAYER



## PRAY FOR GOD TO EMPOWER:

- YOU—TO STEP OUT AND BE LIGHT TO A DARK WORLD
- THE LEADERS OF OUR DENOMINATION
- YOUR CHURCH LEADERS AND FAMILY
- OUR MISSION DEVELOPERS AND THEIR WIVES
- ALL OF OUR CHURCHES—THAT THEY WILL HELP PLANT NEW CHURCHES

# THE TORCH OF FAITH



RENEWING CHURCHES AND PLANTING NEW ONES ARE WHAT OUTREACH NORTH AMERICA SEEKS TO DO THROUGH THE PRESBYTERIES OF THE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA



MORE THAN EVER PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW THE GOSPEL—ACROSS THE GLOBE AND ACROSS THE STREET. GOD CALLS EACH OF US TO OPEN OUR EYES TO THE MISSION FIELD AROUND US, AT WORK, AT SCHOOL, IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD—EVEN IN OUR OWN CHURCH.

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# CARRY THE TORCH

Jesus said, “. . . Let your light shine before men . . .” (Matt. 5:16)

It's your time to let His light shine through you. This is your moment to carry the torch of Christ to impact the people and community around you.

You are the bearer of God's light in an ever-darkening world. Do you feel overwhelmed or intimidated about the task? That's normal—but be encouraged! You're not alone in this because the Holy Spirit is in you.

Even Paul, a great witness of God's light, made this plea for support:

*“Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel...” (Eph. 6:19)*

Like Paul, we need the Holy Spirit's power to witness effectively. So you and I should pray for one another—and fearlessly carry the torch of God's light into the dark world.

# THE TORCH OF PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT

*“You will be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth.”* Jesus' Great Commission isn't for teachers and ministers alone. It's for you and me. When you're living in the Spirit, you can't help but share Christ.

Paul reminds us that it's not us but Christ in us: *“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 15:13 NIV)*

### JOY. PEACE. HOPE.

How can you—just one person—make a difference?

- You can share Christ by getting involved personally in planting new churches.
- You can give financial support to congregations being started by other ARP churches.

Your joy, peace and hope can overflow into the lives of others as you help new churches. Your contribution will change lives!



# THE TORCH OF POWER

- When you turn on the television or read a newspaper . . .
- When you see the latest movie ads or overhear a conversation at work . . .
- When you get a call from a friend in crisis . . .
- Whenever the world closes in with its ever-darkening force, remember this. . .

You are not alone! You are not facing life as a mere mortal. The Holy Spirit is in us. The full impact of His power is something most of us never tap into. But God tells us He didn't give us a spirit of fear, but one of power and love and self control (II Timothy 1:7).

**CHANGED LIVES...CHANGED CHURCHES...** are the goals of Outreach North America. God has given us the vision and resources to build up churches . . . Scripture based churches!

Join us at Outreach North America as we pray for God's power and guidance to impact our neighborhoods and North America. Pray that our ARP churches, current and future ones . . . will truly be places of healing, community and hope for a world in need of Christ.



**THERE ARE MORE THAN 196 MILLION PEOPLE IN NORTH AMERICA WHO NEED TO HEAR FROM US. LET'S GET STARTED. LET CHRIST'S HOPE SHINE THROUGH US TO PEOPLE WHO NEED HIS LIGHT!**

