

## VCF of Phoenix November Intercessory Prayer

### Youth and The Revolution (Youth Ministry)

"Children, (and that includes teenagers), are not casual guests in our home. They have been loaned to us temporarily for the purpose of loving them and instilling a foundation of values on which their future lives will be built." **Dr. James C. Dobson**

#### 1. Prayer for Youth Ministry-The Revolution

"Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see." **John W. Whitehead (Founder-Rutherford Institute)**

- a. Ask the Lord for an increase of the presence and power of His Holy Spirit. Pray that this would birth, facilitate and grow diverse, creative ministries from within this group. Ask the Lord to raise up and anoint many in this group to be those who would influence a generation.**

**Acts 1:8** "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

**Romans 15:18** I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done-

- b. Ask the Lord to give each member of Revolution the passion and desire for prayer and intercession. Pray that a prayer culture would manifest from within the group where prayer and intercession would not only become a vital part of their lives but also be a part of their DNA.**

**Colossians 4:2** Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

**John 2:17** His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

- c. Ask the Lord to unite the group in its endeavors to achieve a greater vision and passion for ministry. Pray that they become warriors of faith willing to surrender their lives for the Truth of the Gospel. Pray for a deposit of holy boldness, strength and courage for them as they support and further the ministry.**

**1 Corinthians 6:13** Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.

**2 Samuel 10:12 (1 Chronicles 19:13) (NIV)** Be strong, and let us fight bravely for our people and the cities of our God. The LORD will do what is good in his sight."

- d. Pray that Revolution would become supernaturally natural and naturally supernatural! Pray that they would 'do the stuff' everywhere they go without fear and with boldness. Ask the Lord to give them a high value for expressing and publicly walking in the supernatural.**

**John 14:11-14 (MSG)** "Believe me: I am in my Father and my Father is in me. If you can't believe that, believe what you see—these works. The person who trusts me will not only do what I'm doing but even greater things, because I, on my way to the Father, am giving you the same work to do that I've been doing. You can count on it. From now on, whatever you request along the lines of who I am and what I am doing, I'll do it. That's how the Father will be seen for who he is in the Son. I mean it. Whatever you request in this way, I'll do."

- e. Pray that these teens would have a great love of, reverence of, and become one with The Word; may their lives reflect Our Lord Jesus. Pray that they would wholeheartedly follow the leading of the Holy Spirit, and always co-operate with Him, His will, His leading and His direction.**

**Psalms 119:97** Oh, how I love all you've revealed; I reverently ponder it all the day long.

**Colossians 3:16 (MSG)** Let the Word of Christ—the Message—have the run of the house. Give it plenty of room in your lives. Instruct and direct one another using good common sense. And sing, sing your hearts out to God!

- f. Pray that Revolution would become a community of mature, committed young adults sold out and passionately on fire for Jesus, so passionate that they could not keep quiet about Him and His Kingdom. Pray they would seek to love and serve as Jesus did and be committed to His people, creating an environment that is so attractive that many would want to be a part of this community.**

**Jeremiah 20:9** But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot.

**Acts 4:31** And when they had prayed, the place in which they were assembled was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they continued to speak the Word of God with freedom and boldness and courage.

- g. As the reputation of this ministry grows and spreads, pray that many would be drawn to Revolution and would find it very easy to fit in and be a part of the Revolution community. Ask for an increase of visitors to Revolution and ask the Lord to increase their numbers to at least 75 teens by December 2012.**

**John 6:37 (MSG)** Every person the Father gives me eventually comes running to me. And once that person is with me, I hold on and don't let go.

**Isaiah 55:5** Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations that do not know you will hasten to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor."

- h. Pray that the youth of Revolution would be a great influence on their generation and others. Pray that as a result of continued Holy Spirit's power and presence there would be a dramatic fall in crime and suicide rates here in AZ and in the nation.**

**Matthew 5:16 (MSG)** "Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven."

**1 Timothy 4:12** *Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.*

- i. **Pray that every teen would be empowered to carry the seeds of revival everywhere they go and that we would see widespread, infectious, revival break out in every school, college, university; pray that revival would touch every educational establishment!**

**1 Peter 3: 3-4 (MSG)** *Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us by getting to know, personally and intimately, the One who invited us to God. The best invitation we ever received! We were also given absolutely terrific promises to pass on to you—your tickets to participation in the life of God after you turned your back on a world corrupted by lust.*

**Psalm 86:9-10** <sup>9</sup> *All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; they will bring glory to your name.* <sup>10</sup> *For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.*

## 2. Prayer for all Youth Leaders

*Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children. Charles (Chuck) Swindoll*

- a. **Pray that all those involved in Youth ministries would be mature Christians who are responsible for their own walk with the Lord. Pray that each would be completely surrendered to the Lord, have prayer filled lives and strive to impart the Kingdom of God to every young adult they influence.**

**1 Timothy 3:2-4 (MSG)** *A leader must be well-thought-of, committed to his wife, cool and collected, accessible, and hospitable. He must know what he's talking about, not be over fond of wine, not pushy but gentle, not thin-skinned, not money-hungry. He must handle his own affairs well, attentive to his own children and having their respect.*

**2 Timothy 2:15** *Make every effort to present yourself before God as a proven worker who does not need to be ashamed, teaching the message of truth accurately.*

- b. **Pray that our Youth Leaders would demonstrate gifts of the Spirit in every aspect of their lives. Pray that each would daily feel the blessing and protection of the Lord and that they would grow in faith as they fulfill their service to this ministry.**

**Galatians 5:22-23 (MSG)** *But what happens when we live God's way? He brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard—things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely.*

**Hebrews 11: 1-2 (NASB)** <sup>1</sup> *Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.* <sup>2</sup> *For by it the men of old gained approval.*

- c. **Pray that our youth leaders are willing to take responsibility for the lives placed in their care, serving them to the very best of their abilities. Ask the Lord to anoint them for the work He has called them to and pray for great unity between the leaders and the youth.**

**Romans 15:5** <sup>5</sup> *May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,*

**Galatians 5:22-23** <sup>22</sup> *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,* <sup>23</sup> *gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.*

- d. **Pray that they will walk in humility and in submission to the Lord, seeking always to be Spirit led and filled so that they will be able to lead in a way that is totally Spirit driven and highly appropriate for those they minister to.**

**Psalm 25:5** *Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.*

**Psalm 143:10** *Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.*

- e. **Pray that our leaders would have a greater capacity to love every youth member. Ask the Lord to help them connect with the youth on every level. Pray that our leaders would understand, and know the pressures and issues facing the youth and be willing to and able to meet their needs.**

**Romans 15:7** *Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.*

**John 13:34-35 (MSG)** *Let me give you a new command: Love one another. In the same way I loved you, you love one another. This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples—when they see the love you have for each other.*

- f. **Pray for an increase of spiritual parents who would become excited and passionate about working within youth ministries. Pray that their influence would be far reaching and touch the hearts of many. Pray they would move in signs and wonders and boldly exercise the power and authority of the Lord.**

**Daniel 4:17** <sup>17</sup> *The angels announce this decree, the holy watchmen bring this sentence, So that everyone living will know that the High God rules human kingdoms. He arranges kingdom affairs however he wishes, and makes leaders out of losers.*

**Philippians 2:13 (MSG)** *That energy is God's energy, an energy deep within you, God himself willing and working at what will give him the most pleasure.*

- h. **As a church, filled with parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, teachers, etc., ask the Lord to help us continually pray for wisdom, insight and great discernment, where our youth are concerned.**

**Proverbs 21:21** <sup>21</sup> *He who earnestly seeks after and craves righteousness, mercy, and loving-kindness will find life in addition to righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God) and honor.*

**Romans 12:2** <sup>2</sup> *Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*

### 3. Prayer for VCF Phoenix Youth

*And don't let anyone put you down because you're young. Teach believers with your life: by word, by demeanor, by love, by faith, by integrity* **1 Timothy 4:12** **The Message**

- a. **Pray that each youth's family would be a place of safety and security where protection and provision is found. Pray for the salvation of every family member and pray for families that are dedicated and submitted to God.**

**Jude 1:2** *Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance.*

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (MSG)** *Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created new. The old life is gone; a new life burgeons! Look at it!*

- b. **Pray for an increase of salvations within this group. Pray that every youth member would know the Lord, that they would love the Lord with all their heart, mind, soul and strength.**

**Mark 12:30 (Matthew 22:37; Luke 10:27)**<sup>30</sup> *Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.*

**John 1:12** *Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—*

- c. **Ask the Lord to permeate every area of their lives, influencing every choice and decision that they make. Ask the Lord to grant them great discernment as they navigate their way through the mixed cultural messages they receive.**

**John 14:16-17**<sup>16</sup> *And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—<sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.*

**Philippians 4:8** *Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.*

- d. **Pray for a deepened, expanded faith for our youth. Pray that they would get serious about God, seeking and running after Him and His Kingdom.**

**Philippians 3:8** *What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ*

**Proverbs 3:5-8 (MSG)** *Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track. Don't assume that you know it all. Run to God! Run from evil! Your body will glow with health your very bones will vibrate with life!*

- e. **Pray that they will allow the Lord full reign in their lives, seeking His guidance for their lives. Pray that each would seek and come to know their purpose in Christ.**

**Proverbs 3: 5-6**<sup>5</sup> *Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;<sup>6</sup> in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.*

**Joshua 24:15** *But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."*

- f. **Ask the Lord to give them His strength to resist any negative peer pressure, His courage to apply Godly standards to their lives and ask Him to extravagantly pour out His grace so that they are equipped to withstand any temptations.**

**Romans 12:1-2 (MSG)**<sup>1-2</sup> *So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.*

- g. **Ask the Lord to gift our youth with a wealth of Godly wisdom far beyond their years, wisdom which they would apply to every situation.**

**Proverbs 2:6** *For the LORD gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.*

**James 3:17(MSG)** *Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot one day and cold the next, not two-faced.*

- h. **Pray that God would give them a deep longing in their hearts to spend more time with Him, especially in His Word. Pray they would seek after His presence and want to spend more time with His people.**

**Psalms 63:1(MSG)** *God—you're my God! I can't get enough of you! I've worked up such hunger and thirst for God, traveling across dry and weary deserts.*

**Psalms 27:8 (MSG)** *When my heart whispered, "Seek God," my whole being replied, "I'm seeking him!" Don't hide from me now!*

- i. **Ask the Lord to deepen their desire to participate in worship, in prayer, in receiving teaching and training, ministering to one another, and drawing closer to God. Pray that their hearts would be completely open to the Holy Spirit and His leading.**

**Psalms 99:5 (MSG)** *So come, let us worship: bow before him, on your knees before God, who made us!*

**John 4:23** *Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.*

### 4. Revival Prayer – Prayer for the Nation

**2 Chronicles 7:14** *If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

**"We are in an hour of crisis, an hour when we have to confront our own spiritual barrenness as the church and in the place of prayer cry out to God for mercy on our nation and revival in our land. Our hope in this hour is in God and God alone."** Lou Engle (TheCall)

**a. Prayer from Lou Engle (TheCall)**

**“Jesus, I plead your blood over my sins and the sins of my nation.  
God, end abortion and send revival to America”**

**1 John 1:9** *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

**Acts 3:19** *Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord*

**b. Ask the Lord to protect the sanctity of marriage and pray for the protection of the family.**

**Genesis 1:27** *So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*

**Hebrews 13:4** *Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.*

**c. Ask the Lord to raise up humble, honest, truthful, influential leaders in Government and in Business, leaders of integrity, who love the Lord and apply Godly principles in every area of their lives, public and private. Pray for the salvation of those currently in leadership positions.**

**Micah 6:8** *He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

**Isaiah 55:7** *Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.*

**d. Ask the Lord for holy, influential leaders to be raised up in our educational system who do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God. Pray for a return to biblical principles and a rise in educational standards because a Godly standard has been raised in every area of education. Pray for the salvation of those currently in leadership positions.**

**Micah 6:8** *He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

**Luke 12:42-44 (AMP)** <sup>42</sup> *And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful steward, the wise man whom his master will set over those in his household service to supply them their allowance of food at the appointed time? <sup>43</sup> Blessed (happy and to be envied) is that servant whom his master finds so doing when he arrives <sup>44</sup> Truly I tell you, he will set him in charge over all his possessions.*

**e. Ask the Lord to raise up Holy Leaders who will call The Church to repentance of its prayerlessness, apathy, and lukewarm approaches to God and Faith. Pray that eyes would be open to the true Spiritual state of The Church and that we would see a wholehearted return to our first love. Pray we would be obedient to the leading of the Holy Spirit and to His Word.**

**Joel 1:14 (MSG)** *Declare a holy fast, call a special meeting, get the leaders together, Round up everyone in the country. Get them into God's Sanctuary for serious prayer to God.*

**Joel 2:12** *"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning."*

**f. Pray that America would return to its foundational roots. Pray that the heart of this nation would be turned back to the Lord. Pray for a wholehearted return to purity, holiness, morality, and Godly principles and declare that America will remain One Nation Under God, a Christian Nation.**

**Joel 2:13** <sup>13</sup> *Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.*

**Acts 3:19** *Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,*

**g. Pray that the church would be light to the world, as public as a city on a hill and that with one voice, boldly declare the Good News of the Gospel and reap a great harvest of souls.**

**Matthew 5:14-16 (MSG)** *"Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven.*

**h. Pray for widespread infectious revival to break out in every nation of the world.**

**Luke 14:23** <sup>23</sup> *"Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and make them come in, so that my house will be full.'"*

**Psalms 86:9-10** <sup>9</sup> *All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; they will bring glory to your name. <sup>10</sup> For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.*

**i. Thank the Lord for His presence here at VCF Phoenix; ask Him for more of His presence and more of His Spirit's outpouring. Ask Him to increase our hunger and thirst for Him and pray that we would go deeper into His River and soak without reservation.**

**Psalms 92:1(MSG)** *What a beautiful thing, God, to give thanks, to sing an anthem to you, the High God!*

**Psalms 105:1 (MSG)** *Hallelujah! Thank God! Pray to him by name! Tell everyone you meet what he has done!*