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Prayer Points for Prayer Partners

Using the BOLDNESS Prayer Strategy

B is for **Boldness**. Ask God to give them His courage, like the courage Peter and John demonstrated when the ruling council told them to keep quiet about the message of Jesus. They replied, *“Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God’s sight to obey you rather than God. For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard”* (Acts 4:19-20, NIV). The apostle Paul requested that others pray for him to have boldness: *“Pray also for me, that the message may be given to me when I open my mouth to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel”* (Ephesians 6:19).

O is for **Opportunity**. Ask God to give them opportunities to share. God gave Philip a wonderful opportunity to share Jesus with an important government official. He heard the man reading from Isaiah. Philip asked if he understood what he was reading. “How can I,” the official said, “unless someone guides me?” He invited Philip to sit with him (Acts 8:31). They will also be given opportunities to share when they look and you pray for them.

L is for **Laborers**. Ask God to send them as laborers to work in the field of harvest. *“Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest”* (Matthew 9:38, NKJV).

D is for **Deliverance from Evil**. Pray they will be protected from the evil one and all his schemes. Jesus prayed this for us as well. *“My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one”* (John 17:15, NIV).

N is for **New Nature**. Pray they will live out the new nature that God has given them through the Holy Spirit. *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”* (2 Corinthians 5:17, NIV). He has changed them and He will also fill them with His Spirit and power as they yield themselves to Him moment by moment. *“So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature”* (Galatians 5:16, NIV).

E is for **Endurance**. Pray for endurance in the sharing of their faith. *“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up”* (Galatians 6:9, NIV). Pray they will be sharing out of heart full of love for what God has done for them, not just to see some kind of result.

S is for **Set Apart**. Pray they will live a holy life that honors God and makes it easier for those who need Christ to see Him. *“But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect”* (1 Peter 3:15, NIV).

S is for **Share the Gospel**. Pray for readiness in sharing the gospel. Pray that it will be clear and presented in the way it will make the most impact with those they share. The Apostle Paul wrote, *“Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should”* (Colossians 4:4, NIV).