

MANITOBA HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS DAY PRAYER INITIATIVE - HISTORY

According to the legislated act, Manitoba Human Trafficking Awareness Day is on the **Thursday of the second full week** in March. It is a time to reflect and become more aware of human trafficking within Manitoba.

2019 is the 5th year Inner City Women's Ministries International, a ministry which started in Niverville and Winnipeg due to local human trafficking situations, is coordinating prayer gatherings across the Province of Manitoba.

The mission of Inner City Women's Ministries International is to support women and their families in spiritual and tangible ways. The Manitoba sector has been led to walk alongside women struggling with addictions and/or incarceration as well as survivors of exploitation (human trafficking). Many times addictions, incarceration and exploitation go hand in hand.

The trafficking of persons for labour and/or sex is big business world wide including Manitoba. Presently there are over 5000 men, women and children missing within Manitoba and according to the RCMP there is a direct correlation between missing persons and human trafficking.

ICWMI staff (all unpaid volunteers) have walked alongside female survivors of human trafficking within Manitoba since 2003 and is indebted to its many partners, supporters, prayer warriors and God, through Jesus Christ.

How Can You Participate In The 5th Annual Manitoba Human Trafficking Awareness Day Prayer Initiative?

1. Bring together people you know and PRAY IN YOUR HOME, PLACE OF WORK, SCHOOL, BAND OFFICE, FAITH INSTITUTION for God to bring home our missing loved ones, friends, fellow Manitobans. 7:30 in the morning Thursday, March 14th 2019. (Prayer point suggestions follow this page)
2. INVITE YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS to your prayer gathering.
3. TELL LOCAL MEDIA AND PUT OUT ON SOCIAL MEDIA about your plans to pray back the over 5000 missing persons from Manitoba on Manitoba Human Trafficking Awareness Day Thursday, March 14th 2019.
4. INFORM STAFF AT INNER CITY WOMEN'S MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL that you will be praying at 7:30am Thursday, March 14th 2019 in order that we may pray for you and keep track of which areas in Manitoba are covered and/or still need prayer covering.

Why 7:30 in the morning? Christ sacrificed for us, our missing loved ones may be suffering - can we make a small sacrifice for them?

Thank you for deciding to participate. All Glory to God.

PRAYING FOR A SLAVE FREE MANITOBA

(Suggested prayer points)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

(All Scripture NIV)

PURITY IN THE HEART, MIND AND SOUL FOR ALL

Matthew 5:8

Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

FATHERS - TO BE PHYSICALLY, EMOTIONALLY, MENTALLY AND SPIRITUALLY PRESENT IN THE HOME

Genesis 18:19

For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just, so that the Lord will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him."

POTENTIAL VICTIMS

1 John 3:7

Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. He who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

SURVIVORS

James 1:2-5

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance finishes its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you

CURRENT VICTIMS

Isaiah 41:10

So do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you;
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

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PARENTS AND LOVED ONES OF MISSING PERSONS

Romans 15:13

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.

GOVERNMENT & FRONT LINE WORKERS

Romans 12:12

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

EXPLOITERS & PERSONS STRUGGLING WITH PORNOGRAPHY

Hebrews 4:13-16

Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

MORE PRAYER WARRIORS

Matthew 21:22

If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

"Thank you for praying. May you be blessed."

WORKING TOWARDS A SLAVE FREE MANITOBA

The - How Can We Help ? - Reality Check

1. What does my daily worship, devotional and prayer time look like?
Deuteronomy 6:5
2. What am I doing on a daily basis to keep myself pure? 1 Corinthians 6:20
3. How am I helping widows and orphans? The poor and the needy? Isaiah 1:17
4. Which front line workers/government officials have I encouraged lately?
Ephesians 4:29
5. Do I pray on a consistent basis for the safe return of missing children and youth listed in newspapers and on social media? For fathers and single men?
Proverbs 20:7
6. Do I have an active social justice component in my personal life? Micah 6:8
7. Do I practice hospitality as a life style? Hebrews 13:2
8. Do I support social justice agencies such as The Salvation Army, Safe Families, Forever Families, Love Lives Here - to name a few? Isaiah 1:17
9. What am I doing in the way of criminal justice? i.e. prison ministry
Matthew 25:36
10. Have I made room in my life to be a friend to at least one single parent family? Invited them over for a weekly dinner? A monthly weekend of fun?
Proverbs 22:9
11. If I am quick to judge others, what am I doing to change my attitude?
1 Corinthians 11:31
12. When was the last time I cultivated a relationship with one of the most marginalized of society? i.e. a homeless person or sex offender?
Proverbs 17:9; Leviticus 19:18
13. Have I considered fostering or adopting? Romans 8:5; Psalm 68:6
14. Do I know how to connect the dots with regard to the trafficking of humans? If not, am I willing to put in the time to learn through studying God's word, take note of local, national and international media stories, attend a conference and/or walk alongside a survivor? Proverbs 18:15
15. When was the last time I told someone about my hope in Jesus Christ?
1 Peter 3:15

ALL GLORY TO GOD