

# National Day of Prayer President: 'America Needs a Spiritual Breakthrough'

*(Note: Today marks the 1-year anniversary of the deadly Charlottesville, Virginia, riots. White supremacists plan similar protests in Washington, D.C., today).*

America is broken and in deep need of a spiritual breakthrough. Division and hatefulness are abounding as none of us would ever imagine. Our greatest hope is a spiritual breakthrough in America.

## **While America Divides Further, Billions Across the World Need Jesus**

Billions of people are in need of the gospel of Jesus Christ. As more than one-half of the global population is now living in the cities of the world, missional strategies that address reaching the cities must emerge.

We are seeing the persecution of Christians across the globe escalate, and it feels close to home with American pastor Andrew Brunson being held unjustly in Turkey.

We are facing one of the most dangerous times across the globe in our lifetime. While encouragement occurs from time to time, we remain in fragile moments globally. We need a spiritual breakthrough.

Yet, for those of us who know Christ personally, we are well aware that our greatest hope for the world is to present the gospel of Jesus Christ to every person in the world and make disciples of all nations.

Sadly, a divided church has a hard time calling a divided nation to unity, and we have an even more difficult time

keeping our focus on the gospel and it being the greatest hope for every person in the world.

### **America is Also in Great Need Spiritually**

Across the nation, missiologists remind us regularly of the extreme spiritual lostness in our own nation. As this lostness escalates across America, our spiritual crisis is undeniable.

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