

Thousands Pray Against Pornography Following Industry Shutdown

Tuesday is the first of what is planned to be an annual National Day of Prayer to strengthen the fight against pornography. More than 40 groups and thousands of supporters will join together. Some of the allied groups participating in this effort include Alliance Defending Freedom, the American Family Association, Family Research Council, Movieguide and Concerned Women for America.

“Those in the war on pornography and those suffering the harms of pornography need almighty God’s mercy and support, and thus we set aside an entire day of prayer for victory,” says Patrick A. Trueman, president of Morality in Media.

The prayer day comes on the heels of the porn industry shutdown Friday—the third of the year—after a performer tested positive for HIV. Each time, medical harms to the actors are briefly attended to and production restarts.

“This is a tragedy that repeats itself every few months, and nothing is done besides a brief halt in porn production,” Trueman says. “After three strikes, it is time to do more than just shut down the industry for a few days. From addiction to abuse to the exploitation [of] women and children, people around the world are constantly affected by the porn industry.”

Pornography is inherently dehumanizing and sexually exploitative. Not only does porn lead to addiction and the breakdown of families, but it is also closely tied to sex trafficking, child abuse and violence against women.

Harms from pornography include increased demand for sexual

trafficking, increased violence against women, widespread addiction, sexual exploitation of children and a host of other debilitating problems.

Suggested prayer requests and the complete list of supporting groups can be found at [. People of all religious backgrounds are invited to participate.](#)