

Pray for Our Military

In the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks on our own soil, the American people have realized that the face of war is forever changed. No longer can we think of combat being fought solely on faraway shores. We must acknowledge that many of the United States' enemies are among us, even as others plot against us from afar.

With this sobering reality in mind, pray for the courageous troops who are actively serving our country each day not only at bases around the world, but also here within our borders. Our soldiers daily place themselves in harm's way in order to defend the way of life we hold dear, and they desperately need our prayer support. Their families should be remembered as well. These individuals often make significant sacrifices as they endure long separations, frequent moves and other challenges inherent to military service.

As the heroic men and women in our armed services secure our liberty both at home and abroad, pray the Lord's protection will go before them. In addition, lift up the chaplains stationed around the world, along with the Christian servicemen who unofficially fulfill a role of spiritual

leadership. Ask
that these believers would faithfully represent Christ among
their
comrades-in-arms.

Please don't forget to pray also
for those who have lost a loved one in battle. These grieving
families
have paid the ultimate price, and we must ask that God's
comfort would
be upon them in a special way.

Finally, pray that our media's
accounts of U.S. military actions are relayed fairly and
impartially.
Our troops are deserving of their fellow Americans' gratitude
and
respect, and accurate reporting can play an important role in
rallying
the American people around our brave servicemen.

Scripture

Pray for divine protection and
guidance for our armed forces. Ask God to intercede for
military
chaplains and loved ones at home.

- *II Chronicles 32:6-8*
- *Psalms 57:1*
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- *Proverbs 2:8*
- *Psalms 5:11*

Find a prayer event in your area.

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