

Session 4

MOBILIZING: Who Will Do the Praying?

Theme:

Staff personnel can become effective
intercessors.

Biblical Foundation:

“Blow the trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and nursing babes; let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, and the bride from her dressing room. Let the priests, who minister to the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar; let them say, ‘Spare Your people, O Lord, and do not give Your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them.

Why should they say among the peoples,
‘Where is their God?’ Then the Lord will be
zealous for His land, and pity His people.
The Lord will answer and say to His people,
‘Behold, I will send you grain and new wine
and oil, and you will be satisfied by them; I
will no longer make you a reproach among
the nations.’”

Joel 2:15-19 NKJV™

The Purpose of This Session

is to consider ways in which to enlist
intercessors for your ministry.

**Three Steps to Develop
Enthusiastic Prayer
Participation:**

A. Utilize department devotional periods.

Leaders can influence a prayer movement in four fruitful ways:

1. [**Model**] the kind of praying that people will want to follow.

“And it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.’”

Luke 11:1 NKJV™

2. Delegate each organizational Kingdom objective to one of your departments. To sustain freshness and interest, rotate these objectives twice a year.

3. Publicize general needs in all-staff mailings or assemblies.

“Now I beg you, brethren, through the Lord Jesus Christ, and through the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in your prayers to God for me.”

Romans 15:30 NKJV™

4. [**Report**] prayer results to the staff quickly, vigorously, and gratefully.

“And when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.”

Acts 14:27 NKJV™

B. [Enlist] adoptive intercessors!

1. Challenge staff members to adopt prayer targets for three or four months at a time. To adopt means to accept prayer responsibility, as God leads each participant.

2. Sponsor prayer conferences, rallies, and retreats to inspire and enlist intercessors.

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.”

Acts 2:42 NKJV™

3. Provide opportunities to volunteer.
Use a sign-up sheet, such as the “Prayer Mobilizing” sheet (Participant’s Guide page 13).

4. Think big, but be prepared to start small.
Ask God to grow your mobilizing like a tree that bears an increasing harvest.

Prayer Mobilizing

(cf., Acts 1:8)

Name of Your Organization: _____

	<u>Targets</u>	<u>Intercessors</u>
1. "Jerusalem": Your local needs		
Staff needs	_____	_____
Staff families/friends	_____	_____
Neighborhoods	_____	_____
Schools	_____	_____
City officials	_____	_____
Visitors & vendors	_____	_____
Other needs	_____	_____
2. "Judea": Your country and issues related to your organization		
County	_____	_____
State	_____	_____
Nation	_____	_____
3. "Samaria": Cross-cultural communities within your organizational concern		
Mission fields	_____	_____
Needed laborers	_____	_____
Colleagues on the fields	_____	_____
4. "Ends of the earth": Frontier fields (peoples still unreached for Christ)		
People group(s)	_____	_____
Needed personnel	_____	_____
Finances	_____	_____
Evangelistic goals	_____	_____
Training/Discipling goals	_____	_____
Other needs	_____	_____

C. Leaders [appoint] a prayer committee and coordinator.

(Note the job description of the prayer coordinator on page 15 in Participant's Guide.)

A Prayer Coordinator's Job Description

Purpose of Position:

To cultivate a team that can lead a prayer movement for fulfillment of God's objectives in your organization.

Conclusion:

[Mobilizing] intercessors can foster a godly atmosphere, transform staff in living for Christ, and achieve supernatural goals for God's glory.

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