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### **From the Editor**

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It has been such a great honor to be a part of this thriving prayer ministry! However, after much prayer, I have decided to step aside and resign as Director and Editor of Ladies Prayer International.

Going forward this newsletter will be published quarterly. I want to thank all the writers who have sent articles and all the translators who have made it possible to send this newsletter around the world! God is doing mighty things and I look forward to great things ahead.

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### **Who's Going to Pray for Me?**

By Crystal Wallace

Your copy should address three key questions: Who am I writing for (audience)? Why should they care (benefit)? What do I want them to do (call-to-action)?

Create a great offer by adding words like "free," "personalized," "complimentary," or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take action, so consider inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"



I was eight months pregnant with our second child and we had invited friends for supper that evening. We had just taken our places around the table, blessed the food, and taken our first few bites when my water broke! Yes, at the kitchen table with guests, baby girl #2 decided she was coming early. Twenty-three days early to be exact! Needless to say, our meal was interrupted as I had to quickly pack a bag and my husband and I headed off to the hospital, leaving our guests with our three and a half year old.

The labor and delivery went very quickly (an hour and a half total) because, as we would soon find out, baby girl was in distress. She was born not breathing and had to be intubated. Although the doctor was unsure as to why she was in distress, he explained that my body knew the baby needed to be delivered as soon as possible and “Mother Nature” did her thing. He also told us that she had an infection that if left untreated, could turn into meningitis. That meant that we had to leave our baby at the hospital and she was 16 days old before we could take her home.

Some weeks later, a close friend and prayer warrior called to see how we were doing. I told her what had happened and that our baby had arrived on May 25, 1988. She told me that that particular week, she had a heavy burden of prayer for us and had stormed heaven on our behalf. That told me that it wasn’t “Mother Nature” that caused me to go into labor, it was our Heavenly Father.

It is possible to find ourselves in a situation where we don’t know what to pray, or we don’t have the strength to pray for ourselves. At those times we may ask, “Who is going to pray for me?” I have seen it happen many times in my life that God would lay a burden on the heart of someone else to pray for me.

There was a song I remember hearing as a little girl and the chorus came back to my heart when I read the topic of this article. It goes like this:  
Someone is praying for you.  
Someone is praying for you.  
So when it seems you’re all alone  
And your heart will break in two,  
Remember, someone is praying for you!

#### **Matthew 10:29, 31**

<sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father... <sup>31</sup> Fear ye not therefore, **ye are of more value than many sparrows**

God loves YOU! He knows WHAT you need, WHEN you need it, and He knows WHO to impress to pray for you. Somebody will be praying for you!

Note: Crystal Wallace and her husband serve in the Kingdom of Belgium. She is a licensed minister with the UPCI and has a passion for counseling hurting people. She is mom to two daughters and Nana to four beautiful grandchildren.

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## Who Will Pray for Me?

By Bella Phillips



Maci always asks “who will pray for me?” especially when their mom goes out of town on business trips. She wrote this poem that sums it up

Who Will Pray for Me?

When night falls and stars appear, I wonder who will keep me near. with Mom away I feel alone, who will pray when she’s not home?

Sister, I know you’re always there. in your heart, You hold a prayer. Close by my side, your love I see, you’re the one who prays for me!

Note: Bella Phillips is in high school and started a P7 Bible club her first year of high school and continues each year. They average 40 plus students each week. She faithfully attends Apostolic Life church in Tupelo, Mississippi

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## Preserver of Destiny – Hannah

Anonymous, ACN Representative

"For this boy I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my request which I asked of Him. So I have also dedicated him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is dedicated to the Lord." 1 Samuel 1:27-28 (NASB)

Hannah, a woman who had struggled with infertility, made a bold promise to God: if He gave her a son, she would dedicate him completely to His service. This act of surrender, especially in a time when children were central to family legacy, was deeply significant. Hannah’s faith led her to give her most cherished blessing back to God.

As parents, leaders or mentors we often focus on the physical needs—health, success, and security. But Hannah’s story reminds us that the greatest gift we can offer those coming after us is the opportunity to serve

God. By dedicating Samuel to the Lord, Hannah surrendered not only her son but also his destiny, trusting that God's plan for him was greater than her own.

Our children are not just the future of our families, but also the future of the Kingdom of God. The world may urge us to hold tightly to them, shielding them from harm or disappointment. But sometimes, the most loving thing we can do is to allow them the freedom to follow God's call, even if it means they walk a path different from what we envisioned.

Hannah's faith didn't stop with her prayer. She lived as a godly example for Samuel, teaching him obedience and service to God. Though she knew she would rarely see her son again, she trusted that her sacrifice would be used for God's glory. Samuel went on to become one of Israel's greatest prophets and judges, his destiny preserved because Hannah was willing to let go. As parents, your role is not to control every aspect of your children's future, but to guide them toward a life of faith and obedience to God. The most important decision we can help them make is to say "yes" to the Lord and use their lives to have an eternal impact in God's great plan.

Perhaps, like Hannah, God is calling your children—or those you mentor—to serve in ministry, go overseas, or plant a church. Will you surrender their destinies into His hands?

Prayer:

Father, thank You for the precious gift of children. Guide their hearts toward You and help them dedicate their lives to Your service. Teach me to live as a godly example and trust their futures to Your perfect will. In Jesus' name, Amen.



Who we are . . . Since 1999: Ladies Prayer Intl. is made up of women worldwide, who meet on one day in the first week of each month to unite in focused prayer for our children and the children of the local church and community. Pick a day that work for your group,

Our Mission . . . We are committed to the spiritual preservation of this generation and beyond and the spiritual restoration of previous generations.

Our Need . . . Committed women who will join together on the first Monday of each month and pray focused prayer for their children.

### Three Priorities of Prayer...

- The salvation of our children (Isaiah 49:25; Psalm 144:12; Isaiah 43:5-6).
- That they take ownership of the faith at an accountable age (I John 2:25-28; James 1:25).
- That they enter into the ministry of the Lord's harvest (Matthew 9:38).