

Straight Street for Church Planters

Appendix E – PrayTimer



Book with software on CD-ROM.
North American Mission Board, SBC
0633010596 - \$18.99

Purpose of the PrayTimer™ Software. What could happen if we prayed for and shared Jesus with every person in our community? Here is a tool to help church planters who struggle to find real time for real prayer that makes a difference.

This software helps maximize and expand the believer's prayer time. Think of the impact by providing each person, congregation or small group with specific, current prayer lists. PrayTimer provides tools for individuals, prayer coordinators, and church staff to provide those lists. It helps them to manage, print, and distribute specific, current prayer requests.

The Bible study sessions help believers and unbelievers discover the source of effective prayer.

Software Features include:

- Customizable calendar options for prayer requests with daily, weekly, and monthly calendar views.
- Downloadable files included in the software to pray for specific national and international requests, as well as missionaries on their birthdays.
- A schedule of Bible verses to read through the Bible in a year.
- A library page at www.praytimer.org to download updated prayer lists.

The PrayTimer Guidebook and Bible Study: This material helps believers and unbelievers find time for prayer. It presents six 90-minute sessions about prayer that can be used as an outreach Bible study. It also provides specific instructions for the software. Session topics include following Christ in biblical prayer, spiritual warfare, and developing a prayer ministry.

- The first and second sessions introduce unbelievers (and reminds believers) that the source and motivation for prayer flows from our personal relationship with Jesus.
- Session three presents a biblical study of spiritual warfare and effective prayer.
- Session four describes ways to lead the church to become a house of prayer.
- Session five helps each believer to become a prayer warrior whether or not they use the software.
- Session six presents biblical motivation for prayer and detailed instructions for PrayTimer software.
- Easily create and import local prayer request files.
- Easily export prayer request files to church members or other people using the software (i.e. create a file of your core group, your target community for your sponsor churches).

Testimonials/endorsements:

Long ago I discovered the convenience of typing my devotional notes into the computer, even during my personal devotional time. Technology ought to be at the service of the kingdom. Thomas Wright has given us a useful tool for organizing our prayer time and prayer requests. His book begins at the right place — creation and its purpose. His doctrinal content is much needed, including a strong emphasis on coming to the Father through Christ. Dr. Wright makes a helpful distinction between “popular prayer” and “true prayer.” His pithy statements make strong points: “In spite of the cultural opinion to the contrary, there is no degree of acceptable sin.” “Praying in Jesus’ name means asking anything that is consistent with His character, nature, and personality” – and he has others scattered at helpful places. Wright also gives helpful correctives to some recent movements and superstitions that are confusing sincere Christians. The content and the technology are right in line with where I believe God wants to take serious pray-ers today.

T.W. Hunt

Retired LIFE Consultant of Prayer
Baptist Sunday School Board

PrayTimer is absolutely fantastic! I know of nothing else as practical or multifunctional in organizing an individual or church prayer life. Why didn't somebody else do this before! I can't tell you how strongly I recommend it! On a scale of 1 to 10, I give it a 10.

John Franklin

Prayer/Discipleship Specialist
LifeWay

This Jesus-centered PrayTimer is full of incredibly complete instructions that will produce the powerful prayer life you have been seeking

Evelyn Christenson

Author, *What Happens When Women Pray*

The PrayTimer is a wonderful tool. The emphasis on prayer as a calendared event is fantastic. Prayer is often that item of convenience and not that priority item on our schedule. PrayTimer places it at the top of the list.

John W. Welch, Pastor

First Baptist Church, Winston, Mo

Dr. Thomas Wright offers this unique software to aid believers in the life of prayer. I commend it. Now we can pray not only on our knees, or prayer corners, but at our keyboards. Don't let the technology scare you. This gives "pray at all times" new meaning.

Lon Allison, Director,

Billy Graham Center, Wheaton, Ill.

I have enjoyed using PrayTimer because it has made my prayer time more focused.

Marsha Withrow

Charlotte, N.C.

The software has consolidated all my various prayer lists into one. Now I do not forget to pray for someone on the day of their surgery because it is on my prayer list for that day.

Kamela Efirid

Stanfield, N.C.

Copies can be ordered from
Lifeway Christian Resources
1-800-448-8032 or at www.praytimer.org
\$18.99