

State House Prayer Tour 2019

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Hall of Flags

- **Thank God for his faithfulness to New Hampshire for 243+ years:**
 - *Psalm 107.1:* "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever..."
 - *Psalm 111.4-7:* "...the Lord is gracious and compassionate. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever...The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy..."
- **Pray for the Church in NH:**
 - *John 17.20-21:* "...I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me..."
 - *1 Tim. 3.15:* "...you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household,

which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth."

- **Repent of NH's sins/pray for NH to fulfill its godly destiny:**
 - *Nehemiah 1.6-7:* "...I confess the sins we [Granite Staters], including myself and my father's house, have committed against you. We have acted very wickedly toward you..."
 - *Psalm 14.1-2:* "The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God.'...The Lord looks down from heaven on the sons of men to see if there are any...who seek God."

Unison Prayer: Almighty Father, who has given us this good land for our heritage: we humbly beseech You that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Your favor and glad to do Your will.

Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way.

Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought here out of many kinds and tongues.

Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in Your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to Your law, we may show forth Your praise among the nations of the earth.

In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, may our trust in You not fail;

all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Representative Hall & Senate Chamber

- **Pray for the current NH Legislators: 400 Reps + 24 Senators:**
 - *Proverbs 11.11:* "Through the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is destroyed."
 - *Matthew 20.25-26:* "...You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them...Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant...'"
 - *Pray for your district's legislators by name (see link below to find them). Philippians 4.6-7:* "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."
- **Pray for the 2020 U.S. & N.H. state elections:**
 - *Proverbs 11.10:* "When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices; when the wicked perish, there are shouts of joy."
 - *Proverbs 19.21:* "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."
 - *Pray for the Church to engage in the elections by running for office & voting. Matthew 5.13-14:* "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness how can it be made salty again?...You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden..."

Unison Prayer: O God, the fountain of wisdom, Whose will is good and gracious, and Whose law is truth:

We ask You so to guide and bless our Senators and Representatives in the Legislature of this State, that they may enact such laws as shall please You, to the glory of Your Name and the welfare of this people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Your Representatives & Senators

- <http://gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/default.aspx>
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Executive Chambers

Pray for the Governor, the Executive Council, Executive Agency/Department Heads, and their staffs:

- *2 Samuel 23.3-4:* "When one rules over men in righteousness, when he rules in the fear of God, he is like the light of a morning at sunrise on a cloudless morning, like the brightness after rain that brings the grass from the earth."
- *Psalms 78.72:* "And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them."
- *Romans 13.4-7:* "For he is God's servant to do you good...He is God's servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer...Give everyone what you owe him: if you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor."
- *1 Peter 2.13-14:* "Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men:...to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right."

Legislative Office Building

Pray for the Committees & Hearings

- *Proverbs 12.22: "The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in men who are truthful."*
- *For a list of House & Senate Committees, see <https://votesmart.org/offices/committees/NH#.W5V-Li2ZPos>*

Pray for the Issues. *Matthew 6.10: "Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."*

- Education/Parental Rights
 - **HB 632-FN.** Education Tax Credit Repeal. *Oppose.*
- Gambling
 - **SB 310.** Relative to Casino Gambling. *Oppose.*
- Gender & Sexuality
 - **HB 383.** Relative to Gender "Discrimination" in Public and Private Schools. *Oppose.*
 - **HB 608.** Expanding the Law Against Discrimination Based on Gender Identity. *Oppose.*
 - **SB 263.** Relative to Anti-Discrimination for Students in Public Schools. *Oppose.*
- Health & Wellness
 - **HB 481.** Legalizing and Regulating Recreational Marijuana. *Oppose.*
- Religious Liberty
 - **HB 289.** Repeal of Law About Recitation of Lord's Prayer in Schools. *Oppose.*
- Sanctity of Life
 - **HB 158.** Abortion Statistics. *Support.*

Unison Prayer: O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: we commend New Hampshire to Your merciful care, that, being guided by Your Providence, we may dwell secure in Your peace. Grant the Governor of this State, His Excellency Christopher T. Sununu, and to all in authority, the wisdom and strength to know and to do Your will. Fill them with the love of Your truth and righteousness, and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in the honor and respect of You; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

His Excellency Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

- Paul Collins Jr., Sr. Advisor
- Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
- Anne Baker, Executive Assistant
- Marty Boldin, Policy Advisor – Prevention, Treatment & Recovery
- Jared Chicoine, Policy Director
- D.J. Bettencourt, Policy Advisor
- Christopher Elms, Policy Advisor
- Harold Parker, Policy Advisor
- Christopher Collins, Special Assistant to the Governor/Director of Administration
- John Formella, Legal Counsel
- Rhonda Hensley, Staff Assistant
- Jane Hirsch, Director of Scheduling
- Megean Rose, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Executive Council
- Jennifer Smith, Director of Citizen Services
- Pam Colantuono, Constituent Services Assistant
- Lara McIntyre, Citizen Service Liaison
- Benjamin Vihstadt, Press Secretary¹

New Hampshire Executive Council²

- Councilor Michael J Cryans, D1
- Councilor Andru Volinsky, D2
- Councilor Russell E. Prescott, D3
- Councilor Theodore L. Gatsas, D4
- Councilor Debora B. Pignatelli, D5

State Agencies & Commissioners

- <https://www.nh.gov/government/agencies.htm>

¹https://das.nh.gov/directory/procSearch_dept.asp?ela=div&deptList=262. Accessed 10 Mar 2019.

²<https://www.nh.gov/council/>. Accessed 10 Mar 2019.

- **HB 291.** Establishing a Committee to Study Certain Findings and Other Initiatives Regarding End-of-Life Care. *Opposed.*
 - *To understand these issues and find out the latest developments, see: <https://www.nhcornerstone.org/blog/>*
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Church Engagement

Pray for the **Church to winsomely influence the culture**, including the people of the political sphere:

- *For “Josephs, Esthers, and Daniels” to be raised up into positions of influence & leadership to help solve N.H.’s most difficult problems:*
 - *Genesis 45.5-7: “And now do not be distressed...it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you...to save your lives by a great deliverance.”*
 - *Esther 4.14: “And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?”*
 - *Daniel 2.23: “I thank you and praise you, O God of my fathers: you have given me wisdom and power, you have made known to me what we asked of you...”*
- *For a movement of sustained prayer for & relationship-building with our elected officials, the result of which is the spread of the gospel:*
 - *1 Timothy 2.1-4: First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions,*

that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

- *For 200 N.H. churches to participate in **Cornerstone’s Beseech & Befriend** initiative in 2018-2020*
- *For the Church to boldly and unapologetically speak into policies being discussed in Concord:*
 - *1 Tim. 3.15: “...you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God’s household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.”*
 - *Acts 4.13: “When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and took note that these men had been with Jesus.”*
- *For continued religious freedom, releasing the Church to live out the gospel in the Granite State:*
 - *John 13.35: “By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”*
 - *Acts 2.42: “...they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They...ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”*