



# Prayer Challenge 2010-11

## Five Aspects of Woman Ministry

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### For whom should I pray?

List specific young men who have the capacity to be Christian leaders and specific young women who are seeking to be wise and godly. Pray for God to give prudent wives to our future leaders that they may have a crown from God rather than rotten bones, such that the remnant will be blessed for decades and generations by their godly leadership.

### Young men who will lead for God

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### Prudent young women

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### Core Couples for the 21st century

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"The shape of the battlefield in any generation will be determined largely by what the women did in the preceding generation."

Many women will have bitter regret as they look back and consider the vows they didn't keep, the husbands they didn't support, the babies they didn't have, the children they didn't nurture, the Bible stories they didn't tell, the good works they didn't do, and the prayers they didn't pray.

We need to be busy so the shape of the battlefield in 2050 will be marked for Christ by our prayers today!

### Renewed Call for Women to Pray

2010 marks the tenth year of the Aspects Prayer Challenge asking women to pray for 50 men 50 times during the year. As is my custom, I offer this original paragraph from the first challenge in 2001. I cannot improve on it as an explanation for our motive:

*I do not believe there is any one thing that women can do to more glorify God, strengthen our nation, nurture our children, build up the church, expand missions, and fight the forces of evil than to pray for men in committed and persevering ways.*

### A Biblical Model for The Making of Men

#### I. Repentant Fathers and Sons (Foundation of Manhood)

Malachi 4:5-6—"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

The healing of our decadence will not come first from programs, but rather from repentance. We need transformed men whose hearts have turned to their sons and sons whose hearts have turned to their fathers. Please put on your list estranged and wandering fathers and sons that you know in your church, community, or family. Pray that they would be restored to God and one another in masculine love. (This is not something that we women can do; only God can do this.)

#### II. David and Christ Model the Training of Men.

##### A. A model man rises up to do great deeds.

1. David slew Goliath (1 Sam. 17).
2. Christ withstood the devil and did miracles (Matt. 4).