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# Dedication

This comprehensive biblical prayer guide is dedicated to the noble men and women of the Arizona's Law Enforcement community and to all First Responders who serve and protect our state and nation.

We lift them up in prayers to God in gratitude for their faithfulness as guardians of justice and peace over our cities, state and nation, the courageous peacemakers who are called,<sup>1</sup> and favored of God.<sup>2</sup>

Thank you for your service!

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- 1 Romans 13:3b-4 Do you want to be on good terms with the government? Be a responsible citizen and you'll get on just fine, [4] the government working to your advantage. But if you're breaking the rules right and left, watch out. The police aren't there just to be admired in their uniforms. God also has an interest in keeping order, and he uses them to do it. *(MSG)*
  - 2 Matthew 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. *(NIV)*



Dear Friend,

**L**aw enforcement is too often taken for granted, that is, until we desperately need an officer of the law. It is only then that we come to the realization of how vital to our safety and security these dedicated, courageous and highly-trained men and women are to us.

We owe our deep gratitude to these God-ordained<sup>1</sup> peacemakers<sup>2</sup> and stand alongside them in earnest appreciation and prayer.

Remember, God's Word encourages us as Christians to be actively involved in praying for those in authority<sup>3</sup> and who uphold the law and serve to make our cities a safer place in which to live. Jeremiah 29:7 entreats us to "**... seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you ... and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.**"

We also are encouraged in God's Word to pray for those in authority<sup>4</sup> so that we "**may lead a quiet and peaceable life,**" this pleases God. With this in mind, I invite you to use this scriptural prayer guide to help you pray for our men and women in law enforcement. Let us stand together in fervent prayer for their success, favor and protection.



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1 Romans 13:1-5

2 Matthew 5:9

3 1 Timothy 2:1-2

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## Praying for... ARIZONA'S LAW ENFORCEMENT

We are grateful for the more than 14,500 sworn peace officers and 6,500 correctional officers from some 163 law enforcement agencies<sup>1</sup> for their steadfast commitment to excellence in serving and protecting Arizona citizens. These are well-trained, seasoned and dedicated professionals whose mission is to protect and serve, ensuring the safety, security and dignity for each person, in our cities, state and nation.

The Christian community, in a spirit of partnership, stands alongside these valiant men and women. We, with one voice, earnestly call upon Almighty God to watch over and protect them and their families, and to give them favor and success. We are asking God to keep them steadfast and safe as they bravely serve the citizens of Arizona.

We stand and support these men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement who are committed to treat everyone with decency and respect. To serve in law enforcement is a noble profession that sets the highest standard of professionalism and excellence.

We will pray for

- The safety of all first responders
- The families of service personnel and those families who paid the ultimate price.
- For health, peace, joy and success of everyone serving Arizona's Law Enforcement
- For peace and safety in the communities across Arizona

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1 AZPOST- Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board, [post.az.gov/](http://post.az.gov/)

## Praying for...

# SUCCESS IN PURPOSE AND VISION

**Romans 13:3-4** **The authorities are God's servants, sent for your good ... They are God's servants, sent for the very purpose of punishing those who do what is wrong.**

**Jeremiah 29:11** For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, **plans to give you hope and a future.**

**Matthew 5:9** **Blessed are the peacemakers,** for they will be called children of God.

Father God, thank YOU for calling the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement to serve and protect our communities in justice and fundamental fairness. Thank YOU for their commitment to keep the peace. As "peacemakers," bless and protect them as they serve to keep our communities safe. Draw every officer closer to YOUR Son, the Prince of Peace, Christ Jesus. Empower them to bring YOUR life, harmony, trust and assurance to our community.

Bless, honor and give them favor as they serve the citizens of Arizona as Guardians of the peace. Lord God, we know that YOUR plans are always good and lead to a profitable end. Therefore, lead and guide these courageous men and women, directing their steps. Give them good tips and leads and successful prosecutions in apprehending those who break the law, keeping our communities safe. Honor them in their calling as they are YOUR servants to our communities in keeping the peace. Give them steadfastness in their service, success in their careers, and reward them with joy and a sense of fulfillment in a job well done.

Praying for...

## AGENCY EXECUTIVE AND LEADERSHIP TEAMS

**Proverbs 29:2a** When **the godly are in authority**, the people rejoice.

**Amos 5:15a** **Hate evil, love good, and establish justice** in the gate (*city*)!

**Micah 6:8** ... the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: **to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.**

Gracious and Mighty God, give the leadership of Arizona's Law Enforcement, the executives and command staff, godly wisdom and confidence in their leadership and guide their decision-making process.

Honor their faithful service and strengthen them to embrace and fulfill their calling with excellence as they maintain peace and guard justice in the land. They are YOUR "watchmen on the wall" and guardians at the "gates of the city;" bless them with keen insight as they bring godly leadership to Arizona's Law Enforcement.

Give them favor and good understanding in their work and personal life, filling them with YOUR peace and joy. (*See Romans 13:4, 1 Timothy 2:1-2*)

Empower them to conduct their personal and professional affairs, modeling excellence and godly integrity to all those who serve under their leadership. (*See Galatians 6:3, Psalm 119:34*)

Fill them with a deep understanding, wisdom and humility in their leadership. (*See Colossians 1:9; 2 Thessalonians 3:5*)

Grant these Executive Teams greater ability to inspire fairness and justice among the officers and departments they lead and serve. (*See Isaiah 11:4a*)

Give them the skill to perform their duties with excellence and the grace to inspire unity and teamwork.

Give joy in their labors and provide adequate resources to meet every need.

Empower these Executive Teams as ambassadors of reconciliation and peacemakers in every situation.

Loving Father, watch over and protect each member of these teams and his or her family. Give them YOUR peace, joy and health, making their homes a sanctuary of trust, hope and love.

## ADDITIONAL BIBLE VERSES ON LEADERSHIP

- Titus 1:7-14** For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it. For there are many who are insubordinate, empty talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision party. They must be silenced, since they are upsetting whole families by teaching for shameful gain what they ought not to teach. ... *(ESV)*
- Luke 6:31** Do to others as you would like them to do to you. *(NIV)*
- Philippians 2:3** Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. *(NIV)*
- Proverbs 4:23** Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. *(NIV)*
- Exodus 18:21** But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. *(NIV)*
- Isaiah 33:15** Those who are honest and fair, who refuse to profit by fraud, who stay far away from bribes, who refuse to listen to those who plot murder, who shut their eyes to all enticement to do wrong—these are the ones who will dwell on high.

Praying for...

## GOOD COLLABORATION, TEAMWORK, COOPERATION AND RAPPORT

**Ecclesiastes 4:9-10** It's better to have a partner than go it alone. Share the work, share the wealth. And if one falls down, the other helps.  
*(MSG)*

**Proverbs 27:17** As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.

**Psalms 133:1** How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!

Father God, make Arizona Law Enforcement agencies a good, healthy and pleasant place to work where men and women co-labor together in singleness of heart, mind and purpose. Make their work environment a place of peace and joy, where officers, staff and leadership support and uplift one another as one great team.

Advance Arizona Law Enforcement's united purpose as they enhance safety, security and livability in our city. Empower them to function as one effective team in their victories over the works of lawlessness.

Father of Peace, please create an atmosphere of trust, fairness, balance and stability among all who work in Arizona Law Enforcement with the law enforcement unions and associations. Create and strengthen a trusting and encouraging rapport between the command leadership and those officers on the streets or behind the desk. Build a trusting and collaborative working relationship among the members of the Arizona Law Enforcement Association (ALEA), Arizona Police Sergeants and Lieutenants Association (APSLA), Management and Police Employees (MAPE), the leadership of Arizona Law Enforcement and Arizona's elected and civil leaders.

## Praying for...

# PROTECTION AND SAFETY

- Psalm 138:7** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, YOU preserve my life. YOU stretch out YOUR hand against the anger of my foes; with YOUR right hand, YOU save me. (NIV)
- 2 Thessalonians 3:3** But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen (*me*) and protect (*me*) from the evil one. (NIV)
- Psalm 140:1,2,4** Rescue me, O LORD, from evil men; preserve me from violent men who devise evil things in their hearts; they continually stir up wars ... Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from violent men who have purposed to trip up my feet. (NASB)
- Proverbs 29:25** Fear of man will prove to be a snare (*to me*), but (*as I*) trust in the LORD (*I'm*) kept safe. (NIV)
- Joshua 1:9** This is my command - "be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD (*my*) God is with (*me*) wherever (*I*) go."
- Ephesians 6:10-17** A final word: (*Make them*) strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. (*Have them*) put on all of God's armor so that (*they*) will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For (*they are*) not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Therefore, (*remind them to*) put on every piece of God's armor so (*they*) will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle, (*they*) will still be standing firm. (*Cause them to*) stand (*their*) ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. For shoes, (*remind them to*) put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that (*they*) will be fully prepared. In addition to all of these, (*strengthen them to*) hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. (*And remind them to*) put on salvation as (*their*) helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.

Praying for...  
**PROTECTION AND SAFETY** *(continued)*

**Praying Psalm 91**

- Psalms 91:1** Lord Most High, please keep the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement safe and under YOUR protection. Keep them safely hidden under YOUR arms of protection, helping them to come under YOUR loving influence.
- Psalms 91:2** YOUR Word declares that YOU are their refuge, shield and fortress; that YOU are their God; and that in YOU they can place their trust.
- Psalms 91:3** Lord God Almighty, deliver and protect these courageous men and women from all hidden traps, deadly hazards and diseases.
- Psalms 91:4** Father God, cover them with YOUR camouflage; keeping them hidden under YOUR mighty arms; and let YOUR truth be their shield and protective vest against every fiery dart—the lies, treacheries and traps of their enemy.
- Psalms 91:5,6** Mighty God, in Christ Jesus, give these men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement courage and boldness in the face of violent attacks at night. Make them fearless and composed when facing bad guys with weapons. Give them alertness and skill when facing the most dreaded threats that may come day or night. Father God, give them insight, valor and confidence in times of destruction and disasters.
- Psalms 91:7** Loving God, though some may fall around them; protect the men and women of the Arizona's Law Enforcement, their colleagues and all that concerns them. We thank YOU for YOUR faithful shield and safety, 24/7.
- Psalms 91:8** O Lord Most High, strengthen these men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement with YOUR strong life. Bring YOUR justice to the wicked. YOU, Mighty God, provide a refuge and a safe place for the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement and YOU give them rest.

**Psalms 91:9** Loving Father, let no evil overcome or overtake YOUR brave and strong warriors of peace and let no sickness or disease come upon their lives or into their homes.

**Psalms 91:11-12** O mighty Lord, YOU are their Strength and their Redeemer; YOU have ordered YOUR heavenly armies to cover them and keep them safe in all their ways. YOU sustain them and hold them in YOUR hands and keep them strong; YOU watch over them and keep them from stumbling.

**Psalms 91:13** Father God, give them courage, strength and understanding on how to walk unharmed in the midst of vicious predators and “snakes.” Give them the wisdom and strength to handle the emerging threats and uncover hidden attacks from their path.

**Psalms 91:14,15** My Lord Jesus, reveal YOUR love to these brave men and women and draw them to YOU with all their hearts. Reveal to them who YOU are. Deliver them, lift them up with encouragement, and cause them to soar like eagles. I call upon YOU to be with them, protecting them at all times, especially in times of trouble, delivering them, honoring them and revealing to them YOUR faithful and loving name. Show them YOUR salvation and satisfy them with a long life.

**Psalms 91:16** We ask this prayer, in remembrance of YOUR great promises to them, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

## NOTES:



## Praying for...

# PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH

**Psalm 41:2,3** The LORD protects them and keeps them alive. He gives them prosperity in the land and rescues them from their enemies. The LORD nurses them when they are sick and restores them to health.

**Proverbs 4:20-22** My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to My words. Do not let them out of your sight; keep them within your heart, for they are life to those who find them and **health to one's whole body.**

**Proverbs 3:7-8** Run to GOD! Run from evil. Your body will glow with health; your very bones will vibrate with life.

Father God, we come boldly before YOU on behalf of the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement, asking for YOUR help in their time of need. We are calling upon YOU for those hurting and in need of healing and health (physically and emotionally). We are confident in YOUR promises, and we take hold of YOUR Word asking for healing and the restoration of their health, in spirit, mind and body. (*Isaiah 53:5, 1 Peter 2:24*) Thank YOU for satisfying these men and women with long life.

Father God, we pray for their emotional wellbeing. Give them YOUR peace and restore them mentally, emotionally, and physically. Protect them from the emotional and physical damage that stress produces from always living on "high alert." Keep them from the traps of promiscuity, alcohol and other forms of self-medication and escapism. Give rest, sound sleep and total restoration to all our law enforcement and first responders who courageously keep the peace. Protect them and keep them from the dangers, pressures and anxiety they face every day and keep them in YOUR perfect peace. Help the men and women of law enforcement to look to YOU for their peace, stability and rest.

## Praying for...

# WISDOM, DISCERNMENT AND UNDERSTANDING

**Proverbs 4:7** Getting wisdom (*skillful and godly wisdom*) is the most important thing you can do! And whatever else you do, develop good judgment.

**Psalm 37:30** The godly offer good counsel; they teach right from wrong.

**1 Corinthians 1:25** This foolish plan of God is wiser than the wisest of human plans, and God's weakness is stronger than the greatest of human strength.

**Psalm 111:10** Fear of the LORD is the foundation of true wisdom. All who obey his commandments will grow in wisdom. Praise him forever.

**Proverbs 18:2-3** Fools have no interest in understanding; they only want to air their own opinions. Doing wrong leads to disgrace, and scandalous behavior brings contempt.

Heavenly Father, give wisdom, insight and understanding to the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement to know how to respond well to what is important. Give them a forgiving and compassionate heart even when facing ungrateful and unforgiving people and painful circumstances. Give them clarity of mind to know what is appropriate in every situation and excellence in performing their duties.

Father God, give these officers of the law a keen understanding and sensitivity in every circumstance they come upon. Give them ability to discern correctly all situations they encounter.

Father God, we ask that YOU would give the law enforcement officers of Arizona quick discernment and clarity to make prudent choices in spontaneous and dangerous situations. Fill them with YOUR wisdom and ability that produces the best outcome. Give them insight in exercising the right actions and procedures; keep them always ready to apprehend the wrongdoer; and prepare them with skill and training for every situation they may encounter.

## Praying for...

# INTEGRITY AND GOOD CHARACTER

**1 Chronicles 29:17a** I know, my God, that YOU examine our hearts and **rejoice when YOU find integrity** there.

**Proverbs 10:9** People with integrity walk safely (*and securely*) ...

**Micah 6:8** He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. (*NIV*)

Father God, give the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement hearts true and right, showing kindness as they interface daily with the community. Cause them to walk in honesty and humility and act fairly in every situation. May they have hearts like Christ Jesus; sensitive of the needs of everyone they meet, showing mercy with understanding, fairness and peace.

Give them the courage and character to "hold the line." Strengthen them with good and godly character and with the highest ethical qualities as they serve this great calling. Give them hearts of faithfulness and fundamental fairness with steadfastness to the high calling of law enforcement.

Father God, we ask that all Arizona's Law Enforcement personnel would come to intimately know YOU, the Lord Jesus Christ, as their Savior, Friend, the Author of peace, allowing YOU to transform their hearts with love, mercy, wisdom and healing to resolve their problems and concerns.

Father God, empower the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement to walk in a manner that reflects YOUR character and goodness. Help these law enforcement personnel to exhibit integrity, honesty and loyalty - that they would live virtuously and above reproach. Give them the strength to resist temptations and protect them from destructive and compromising situations. Give these courageous men and women spiritual fortitude and strength. Cause them to walk uprightly, dedicated to godly integrity all the days of their lives. And we ask all this in the powerful and faithful Name of Jesus Christ.

## Praying for...

# RESOURCES AND FUNDING

**Matthew 6:31-33** So don't worry about these things ... your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need.

**Philippians 4:19** You can be sure that God will take care of everything you need, his generosity exceeding even yours in the glory that pours from Jesus. (*MSG*)

God of Abundance, bring YOUR plentiful provision to Arizona's Law Enforcement. YOU are their source and YOU know all that they need to accomplish their mission. We ask YOU to provide for them quality personnel, state-of-the-art equipment and training, and support services. Give Arizona's Law Enforcement the resources to develop needed programs and strong community partnerships. Father God, encourage Arizona's Law Enforcement leadership to trust in YOUR faithfulness. Give them favor with the citizens of Arizona, the governor, state legislators, county supervisors, mayors and city councils so that they will approve and provide adequate funding to ensure success in keeping the peace around our state.

### NOTES:

## Praying for...

# STRONG MARRIAGES AND FAMILIES

**Mark 10:6-9** Jesus said: “But ‘God made them male and female’ from the beginning of creation. ‘This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and **the two are united into one.**’ Since they are no longer two but one, let no one split apart what God has joined together.”

**Joshua 24:15** Choose today whom you will serve ... But **as for me and my family, we will serve the LORD.**

**Proverbs 22:6** “Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.”

The marriages and families of law enforcement often suffer due to the endless stress, constant dangers and often-difficult hours of their occupation. As we pray for law enforcement, it is important to remember that their families also need a shield of prayer.

Heavenly Father, we know that YOU created marriage and family to be a place of peace, nurturing, acceptance, and fulfillment. We ask that the home environment of every officer in the Arizona’s Law Enforcement would mirror YOUR design.

Give the family members of each officer the ability to communicate with love, patience, and understanding. Give each family member the sensitivity to recognize and meet legitimate needs of one another quickly. Give each one an understanding heart without harboring resentment when called upon to make sacrifices because of the officer’s job responsibilities.

Empower each officer and his/her spouse with the ability to provide for the emotional, physical and spiritual as well as material needs of the family. Give each officer the ability to leave the job at work, unplug and relax, enjoy the family, and have time for family activities. Give each officer and spouse the tools to establish a strong marriage and build a healthy family. Where relationships are strained or broken bring healing, reconciliation, and restoration. Provide wise and godly counselors and friends to come alongside and bring support where needed.

## Praying for...

# THE FAMILIES OF FALLEN OFFICERS

Since 1925, the Arizona Police Department has suffered 247 deaths (139 due to gunfire) in the line of duty.

- Psalm 34:18** The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed.
- Psalm 147:3** He heals the brokenhearted, binding up their wounds.
- Matthew 5:4** Blessed are those that mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- John 14:27** Jesus said: "I am leaving you with a gift - peace of mind and heart! And the peace I give is not fragile like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid."
- John 14:18** Jesus said; "No, I will not abandon you or leave you as orphans in the storm - I will come to you."
- 2 Thess 2:16-17** May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting comfort and hope which we don't deserve, **comfort your hearts with all comfort, and help you in every good thing you say and do.**

Father God, we come to YOU now on behalf of the families of Arizona's fallen officers. We ask that YOU provide them peace, comfort and provision in their loss. Father God, heal their deep woundedness, loss and grief. We pray that YOU will help them draw near to YOU and look to YOU for comfort and everything they may have need of.

Lord, thank YOU for being the rock and strength for these families in their loss. Father God, be a father (or mother) to their children and a close comforter to the ones left behind. Lord, bring YOUR comfort, peace and provision to these precious families, and I ask that YOU continue to stay close to them with YOUR peace, healing and security now and forever.



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## Praying to...

# EXPOSE WICKEDNESS, CRIME, AND CORRUPTION

In the New Testament the term “lawlessness” describes those who knowingly, deliberately and willfully rebel against the laws of God and man. These people despise and defy the law. They refuse to be under God’s rule and God’s government. God is merciful and just; He will forgive those who turn away from “lawlessness” but punish those who do not.

- Hebrews 12:27** God of Justice, shake open and expose all areas of corruption and ungodliness in our land.
- Proverbs 2:22** Cut off evil and let the treacherous be rooted out.
- Mark 4:22** Reveal and bring to the light all hidden things done in darkness.
- Matthew 10:26** So do not be intimidated, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known.
- 1 Corinthians 4:5** for YOU will bring to light the evil motives and wickedness of men,
- 1 Corinthians 4:5** exposing the darkest secrets of their hearts.
- 2 Chronicles 7:14** Cause the wicked to humble themselves, pray to YOU for forgiveness, and turn them from their evil ways.
- 2 Chronicles 7:14** Then YOU will forgive their sins and heal their lives.
- Acts 26:18** Open the eyes of the wicked and turn them from darkness to light.
- Hebrews. 3:13** Soften the hearts that are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin,
- Psalms 107:20** delivering them from their destruction.
- 2 Peter 3:9** Father, YOU have been longsuffering toward them,
- 2 Peter 3:9** not willing that any should perish,
- 2 Peter 3:9** but that all should come to repentance and the saving knowledge of YOUR Son, Christ Jesus. Bring them to YOUR salvation and deliver them from their destructive ways.

Praying...

## THE SCRIPTURE OVER ARIZONA'S LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OUR LAND

**1 Timothy 2:1** Heavenly Father, I give thanks for our Arizona's Law Enforcement.

**Romans 13:4** Thank YOU for calling and equipping them to their special service.

**1 Timothy 2:2** I pray for these brave men and women who walk in authority to have wisdom and grace to keep the peace.

**Proverbs 1:23** Pour out YOUR Spirit upon them and make YOUR Word known to them.

**Psalms 25:21** Cause them to be men and women of integrity and honesty,

**1 Timothy 2:2** that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and dignity.

**Proverbs 2:10** Let wisdom enter their hearts, and let knowledge be pleasant to them.

**Proverbs 2:11** Let discretion preserve them and understanding keep them,

**Proverbs 2:12** deliver them from the way of evil and from evil men.

**Psalms 1:1** Make their hearts and ears attentive to godly counsel,

**2 Chronicles 20:32** causing them to always do what is right in YOUR sight.



- Isaiah 54:14** Give us upright, just and fair men and women in our law enforcement, that would faithfully execute justice in securing our city, state and nation.
- Proverbs 2:21** Sustain those who live right and blameless before YOU and keep them firm and strong.
- Isaiah 49:22** Raise up a standard of godliness throughout Arizona and our nation.
- Proverbs 14:34** We know that godliness will exalt our nation,
- Proverbs 11:11** and upright citizens are good for a city and make it prosper.
- Zechariah 10:1** Bring the refreshing rains of YOUR Spirit to flood this land
- Habakkuk 3:2** and revive our hearts and the works of YOUR hand in our midst.
- Isaiah 59:16** Raise up passionate and effective prayer for Arizona and this nation
- 2 Corinthians 10:4** calling upon YOU to pull down evil strongholds over this land,
- Isaiah 40:5** And let the presence and power of the LORD be revealed!  
All in the matchless, powerful and wonderful Name of Jesus the Christ!

Please continue praying for these noble men and women in law enforcement,  
serving our cities, state and nation.

**Thank you and may God richly bless you!**

## A POLICE OFFICER'S PRAYER

- For Official Use Only -

*Heavenly Father, I ask for courage, the courage to face and conquer my own fears... and the courage to take me where others will not go.*

*I ask for strength, the strength of body, mind and spirit in protecting others and the skill and integrity to lead others.*

*I ask for dedication, the dedication and passion to my calling, to do it well, and the commitment to serve my community and keep it safe.*

*Loving God, give me gentleness and kindness in helping others and credibility so that others may trust me. I ask for wisdom in how to serve those who need me ...*

*And Faithful Lord, through it all, I embrace You as my shield and my rear guard, knowing that You are always at my side. In the Name of Christ Jesus. Amen.*

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The background of the cover features a close-up, grayscale image of the Arizona Law Enforcement Seal. The seal is circular and contains the text 'ARIZONA' at the top and 'POLICE' at the bottom. In the center, there is a five-pointed star. The seal is partially obscured by a black diagonal banner that runs from the top left towards the bottom right.

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# Dedication

This comprehensive biblical prayer guide is dedicated to the noble men and women of the Arizona's Law Enforcement community and to all First Responders who serve and protect our state and nation.

We lift them up in prayers to God in gratitude for their faithfulness as guardians of justice and peace over our cities, state and nation, the courageous peacemakers who are called,<sup>1</sup> and favored of God.<sup>2</sup>

Thank you for your service!

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- 1 Romans 13:3b-4 Do you want to be on good terms with the government? Be a responsible citizen and you'll get on just fine, [4] the government working to your advantage. But if you're breaking the rules right and left, watch out. The police aren't there just to be admired in their uniforms. God also has an interest in keeping order, and he uses them to do it. *(MSG)*
- 2 Matthew 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. *(NIV)*



Dear Friend,

**L**aw enforcement is too often taken for granted, that is, until we desperately need an officer of the law. It is only then that we come to the realization of how vital to our safety and security these dedicated, courageous and highly-trained men and women are to us.

We owe our deep gratitude to these God-ordained<sup>1</sup> peacemakers<sup>2</sup> and stand alongside them in earnest appreciation and prayer.

Remember, God's Word encourages us as Christians to be actively involved in praying for those in authority<sup>3</sup> and who uphold the law and serve to make our cities a safer place in which to live. Jeremiah 29:7 entreats us to "**... seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you ... and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.**"

We also are encouraged in God's Word to pray for those in authority<sup>4</sup> so that we "**may lead a quiet and peaceable life,**" this pleases God. With this in mind, I invite you to use this scriptural prayer guide to help you pray for our men and women in law enforcement. Let us stand together in fervent prayer for their success, favor and protection.



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1 Romans 13:1-5

2 Matthew 5:9

3 1 Timothy 2:1-2

4 1 Timothy 2:1-2



## Praying for...

# ARIZONA'S LAW ENFORCEMENT

**W**e are grateful for the more than 14,500 sworn peace officers and 6,500 correctional officers from some 163 law enforcement agencies<sup>1</sup> for their steadfast commitment to excellence in serving and protecting Arizona citizens. These are well-trained, seasoned and dedicated professionals whose mission is to protect and serve, ensuring the safety, security and dignity for each person, in our cities, state and nation.

The Christian community, in a spirit of partnership, stands alongside these valiant men and women. We, with one voice, earnestly call upon Almighty God to watch over and protect them and their families, and to give them favor and success. We are asking God to keep them steadfast and safe as they bravely serve the citizens of Arizona.

We stand and support these men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement who are committed to treat everyone with decency and respect. To serve in law enforcement is a noble profession that sets the highest standard of professionalism and excellence.

We will pray for

- The safety of all first responders
- The families of service personnel and those families who paid the ultimate price.
- For health, peace, joy and success of everyone serving Arizona's Law Enforcement
- For peace and safety in the communities across Arizona

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1 AZPOST- Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board, [post.az.gov/](http://post.az.gov/)

## Praying for...

# SUCCESS IN PURPOSE AND VISION

**Romans 13:3-4** The authorities are God's servants, sent for your good ... They are God's servants, sent for the very purpose of **punishing those who do what is wrong.**

**Jeremiah 29:11** For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, **plans to give you hope and a future.**

**Matthew 5:9** **Blessed are the peacemakers,** for they will be called children of God.

Father God, thank YOU for calling the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement to serve and protect our communities in justice and fundamental fairness. Thank YOU for their commitment to keep the peace. As "peacemakers," bless and protect them as they serve to keep our communities safe. Draw every officer closer to YOUR Son, the Prince of Peace, Christ Jesus. Empower them to bring YOUR life, harmony, trust and assurance to our community.

Bless, honor and give them favor as they serve the citizens of Arizona as Guardians of the peace. Lord God, we know that YOUR plans are always good and lead to a profitable end. Therefore, lead and guide these courageous men and women, directing their steps. Give them good tips and leads and successful prosecutions in apprehending those who break the law, keeping our communities safe. Honor them in their calling as they are YOUR servants to our communities in keeping the peace. Give them steadfastness in their service, success in their careers, and reward them with joy and a sense of fulfillment in a job well done.

Praying for...

## AGENCY EXECUTIVE AND LEADERSHIP TEAMS

**Proverbs 29:2a** When **the godly are in authority**, the people rejoice.

**Amos 5:15a** **Hate evil, love good, and establish justice** in the gate (*city*)!

**Micah 6:8** ... the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: **to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.**

Gracious and Mighty God, give the leadership of Arizona's Law Enforcement, the executives and command staff, godly wisdom and confidence in their leadership and guide their decision-making process.

Honor their faithful service and strengthen them to embrace and fulfill their calling with excellence as they maintain peace and guard justice in the land. They are YOUR "watchmen on the wall" and guardians at the "gates of the city;" bless them with keen insight as they bring godly leadership to Arizona's Law Enforcement.

Give them favor and good understanding in their work and personal life, filling them with YOUR peace and joy. (*See Romans 13:4, 1 Timothy 2:1-2*)

Empower them to conduct their personal and professional affairs, modeling excellence and godly integrity to all those who serve under their leadership. (*See Galatians 6:3, Psalm 119:34*)

Fill them with a deep understanding, wisdom and humility in their leadership. (*See Colossians 1:9; 2 Thessalonians 3:5*)

Grant these Executive Teams greater ability to inspire fairness and justice among the officers and departments they lead and serve. (*See Isaiah 11:4a*)

Give them the skill to perform their duties with excellence and the grace to inspire unity and teamwork.

Give joy in their labors and provide adequate resources to meet every need.

Empower these Executive Teams as ambassadors of reconciliation and peacemakers in every situation.

Loving Father, watch over and protect each member of these teams and his or her family. Give them YOUR peace, joy and health, making their homes a sanctuary of trust, hope and love.

## ADDITIONAL BIBLE VERSES ON LEADERSHIP

- Titus 1:7-14** For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it. For there are many who are insubordinate, empty talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision party. They must be silenced, since they are upsetting whole families by teaching for shameful gain what they ought not to teach. ... *(ESV)*
- Luke 6:31** Do to others as you would like them to do to you. *(NIV)*
- Philippians 2:3** Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. *(NIV)*
- Proverbs 4:23** Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. *(NIV)*
- Exodus 18:21** But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. *(NIV)*
- Isaiah 33:15** Those who are honest and fair, who refuse to profit by fraud, who stay far away from bribes, who refuse to listen to those who plot murder, who shut their eyes to all enticement to do wrong—these are the ones who will dwell on high.



Praying for...

## GOOD COLLABORATION, TEAMWORK, COOPERATION AND RAPPORT

**Ecclesiastes 4:9-10** It's better to have a partner than go it alone. Share the work, share the wealth. And if one falls down, the other helps.  
*(MSG)*

**Proverbs 27:17** As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.

**Psalms 133:1** How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!

Father God, make Arizona Law Enforcement agencies a good, healthy and pleasant place to work where men and women co-labor together in singleness of heart, mind and purpose. Make their work environment a place of peace and joy, where officers, staff and leadership support and uplift one another as one great team.

Advance Arizona Law Enforcement's united purpose as they enhance safety, security and livability in our city. Empower them to function as one effective team in their victories over the works of lawlessness.

Father of Peace, please create an atmosphere of trust, fairness, balance and stability among all who work in Arizona Law Enforcement with the law enforcement unions and associations. Create and strengthen a trusting and encouraging rapport between the command leadership and those officers on the streets or behind the desk. Build a trusting and collaborative working relationship among the members of the Arizona Law Enforcement Association (ALEA), Arizona Police Sergeants and Lieutenants Association (APSLA), Management and Police Employees (MAPE), the leadership of Arizona Law Enforcement and Arizona's elected and civil leaders.

## Praying for...

# PROTECTION AND SAFETY

- Psalm 138:7** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, YOU preserve my life. YOU stretch out YOUR hand against the anger of my foes; with YOUR right hand, YOU save me. (NIV)
- 2 Thessalonians 3:3** But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen (*me*) and protect (*me*) from the evil one. (NIV)
- Psalm 140:1,2,4** Rescue me, O LORD, from evil men; preserve me from violent men who devise evil things in their hearts; they continually stir up wars ... Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from violent men who have purposed to trip up my feet. (NASB)
- Proverbs 29:25** Fear of man will prove to be a snare (*to me*), but (*as I*) trust in the LORD (*I'm*) kept safe. (NIV)
- Joshua 1:9** This is my command - "be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD (*my*) God is with (*me*) wherever (*I*) go."
- Ephesians 6:10-17** A final word: (*Make them*) strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. (*Have them*) put on all of God's armor so that (*they*) will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For (*they are*) not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Therefore, (*remind them to*) put on every piece of God's armor so (*they*) will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle, (*they*) will still be standing firm. (*Cause them to*) stand (*their*) ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. For shoes, (*remind them to*) put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that (*they*) will be fully prepared. In addition to all of these, (*strengthen them to*) hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. (*And remind them to*) put on salvation as (*their*) helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.

# Praying for...

## PROTECTION AND SAFETY *(continued)*

### Praying Psalm 91

- Psalms 91:1** Lord Most High, please keep the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement safe and under YOUR protection. Keep them safely hidden under YOUR arms of protection, helping them to come under YOUR loving influence.
- Psalms 91:2** YOUR Word declares that YOU are their refuge, shield and fortress; that YOU are their God; and that in YOU they can place their trust.
- Psalms 91:3** Lord God Almighty, deliver and protect these courageous men and women from all hidden traps, deadly hazards and diseases.
- Psalms 91:4** Father God, cover them with YOUR camouflage; keeping them hidden under YOUR mighty arms; and let YOUR truth be their shield and protective vest against every fiery dart—the lies, treacheries and traps of their enemy.
- Psalms 91:5,6** Mighty God, in Christ Jesus, give these men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement courage and boldness in the face of violent attacks at night. Make them fearless and composed when facing bad guys with weapons. Give them alertness and skill when facing the most dreaded threats that may come day or night. Father God, give them insight, valor and confidence in times of destruction and disasters.
- Psalms 91:7** Loving God, though some may fall around them; protect the men and women of the Arizona's Law Enforcement, their colleagues and all that concerns them. We thank YOU for YOUR faithful shield and safety, 24/7.
- Psalms 91:8** O Lord Most High, strengthen these men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement with YOUR strong life. Bring YOUR justice to the wicked. YOU, Mighty God, provide a refuge and a safe place for the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement and YOU give them rest.

**Psalms 91:9** Loving Father, let no evil overcome or overtake YOUR brave and strong warriors of peace and let no sickness or disease come upon their lives or into their homes.

**Psalms 91:11-12** O mighty Lord, YOU are their Strength and their Redeemer; YOU have ordered YOUR heavenly armies to cover them and keep them safe in all their ways. YOU sustain them and hold them in YOUR hands and keep them strong; YOU watch over them and keep them from stumbling.

**Psalms 91:13** Father God, give them courage, strength and understanding on how to walk unharmed in the midst of vicious predators and “snakes.” Give them the wisdom and strength to handle the emerging threats and uncover hidden attacks from their path.

**Psalms 91:14,15** My Lord Jesus, reveal YOUR love to these brave men and women and draw them to YOU with all their hearts. Reveal to them who YOU are. Deliver them, lift them up with encouragement, and cause them to soar like eagles. I call upon YOU to be with them, protecting them at all times, especially in times of trouble, delivering them, honoring them and revealing to them YOUR faithful and loving name. Show them YOUR salvation and satisfy them with a long life.

**Psalms 91:16** We ask this prayer, in remembrance of YOUR great promises to them, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

## NOTES:

## Praying for...

# PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH

**Psalm 41:2,3** The LORD protects them and keeps them alive. He gives them prosperity in the land and rescues them from their enemies. The LORD nurses them when they are sick and restores them to health.

**Proverbs 4:20-22** My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to My words. Do not let them out of your sight; keep them within your heart, for they are life to those who find them and **health to one's whole body.**

**Proverbs 3:7-8** Run to GOD! Run from evil. Your body will glow with health; your very bones will vibrate with life.

Father God, we come boldly before YOU on behalf of the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement, asking for YOUR help in their time of need. We are calling upon YOU for those hurting and in need of healing and health (physically and emotionally). We are confident in YOUR promises, and we take hold of YOUR Word asking for healing and the restoration of their health, in spirit, mind and body. (*Isaiah 53:5, 1 Peter 2:24*) Thank YOU for satisfying these men and women with long life.

Father God, we pray for their emotional wellbeing. Give them YOUR peace and restore them mentally, emotionally, and physically. Protect them from the emotional and physical damage that stress produces from always living on "high alert." Keep them from the traps of promiscuity, alcohol and other forms of self-medication and escapism. Give rest, sound sleep and total restoration to all our law enforcement and first responders who courageously keep the peace. Protect them and keep them from the dangers, pressures and anxiety they face every day and keep them in YOUR perfect peace. Help the men and women of law enforcement to look to YOU for their peace, stability and rest.

## Praying for...

# WISDOM, DISCERNMENT AND UNDERSTANDING

**Proverbs 4:7** Getting wisdom (*skillful and godly wisdom*) is the most important thing you can do! And whatever else you do, develop good judgment.

**Psalm 37:30** They godly offer good counsel; they teach right from wrong.

**1 Corinthians 1:25** This foolish plan of God is wiser than the wisest of human plans, and God's weakness is stronger than the greatest of human strength.

**Psalm 111:10** Fear of the LORD is the foundation of true wisdom. All who obey his commandments will grow in wisdom. Praise him forever.

**Proverbs 18:2-3** Fools have no interest in understanding; they only want to air their own opinions. Doing wrong leads to disgrace, and scandalous behavior brings contempt.

Heavenly Father, give wisdom, insight and understanding to the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement to know how to respond well to what is important. Give them a forgiving and compassionate heart even when facing ungrateful and unforgiving people and painful circumstances. Give them clarity of mind to know what is appropriate in every situation and excellence in performing their duties.

Father God, give these officers of the law a keen understanding and sensitivity in every circumstance they come upon. Give them ability to discern correctly all situations they encounter.

Father God, we ask that YOU would give the law enforcement officers of Arizona quick discernment and clarity to make prudent choices in spontaneous and dangerous situations. Fill them with YOUR wisdom and ability that produces the best outcome. Give them insight in exercising the right actions and procedures; keep them always ready to apprehend the wrongdoer; and prepare them with skill and training for every situation they may encounter.

## Praying for...

# INTEGRITY AND GOOD CHARACTER

**1 Chronicles 29:17a** I know, my God, that YOU examine our hearts and **rejoice when YOU find integrity** there.

**Proverbs 10:9** People with integrity walk safely (*and securely*) ...

**Micah 6:8** He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. (*NIV*)

Father God, give the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement hearts true and right, showing kindness as they interface daily with the community. Cause them to walk in honesty and humility and act fairly in every situation. May they have hearts like Christ Jesus; sensitive of the needs of everyone they meet, showing mercy with understanding, fairness and peace.

Give them the courage and character to "hold the line." Strengthen them with good and godly character and with the highest ethical qualities as they serve this great calling. Give them hearts of faithfulness and fundamental fairness with steadfastness to the high calling of law enforcement.

Father God, we ask that all Arizona's Law Enforcement personnel would come to intimately know YOU, the Lord Jesus Christ, as their Savior, Friend, the Author of peace, allowing YOU to transform their hearts with love, mercy, wisdom and healing to resolve their problems and concerns.

Father God, empower the men and women of Arizona's Law Enforcement to walk in a manner that reflects YOUR character and goodness. Help these law enforcement personnel to exhibit integrity, honesty and loyalty - that they would live virtuously and above reproach. Give them the strength to resist temptations and protect them from destructive and compromising situations. Give these courageous men and women spiritual fortitude and strength. Cause them to walk uprightly, dedicated to godly integrity all the days of their lives. And we ask all this in the powerful and faithful Name of Jesus Christ.

## Praying for...

# RESOURCES AND FUNDING

**Matthew 6:31-33** So don't worry about these things ... your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need.

**Philippians 4:19** You can be sure that God will take care of everything you need, his generosity exceeding even yours in the glory that pours from Jesus. (*MSG*)

God of Abundance, bring YOUR plentiful provision to Arizona's Law Enforcement. YOU are their source and YOU know all that they need to accomplish their mission. We ask YOU to provide for them quality personnel, state-of-the-art equipment and training, and support services. Give Arizona's Law Enforcement the resources to develop needed programs and strong community partnerships. Father God, encourage Arizona's Law Enforcement leadership to trust in YOUR faithfulness. Give them favor with the citizens of Arizona, the governor, state legislators, county supervisors, mayors and city councils so that they will approve and provide adequate funding to ensure success in keeping the peace around our state.

### NOTES:



## Praying for...

# STRONG MARRIAGES AND FAMILIES

**Mark 10:6-9** Jesus said: “But ‘God made them male and female’ from the beginning of creation. ‘This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and **the two are united into one.**’ Since they are no longer two but one, let no one split apart what God has joined together.”

**Joshua 24:15** Choose today whom you will serve ... But **as for me and my family, we will serve the LORD.**

**Proverbs 22:6** “Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.”

The marriages and families of law enforcement often suffer due to the endless stress, constant dangers and often-difficult hours of their occupation. As we pray for law enforcement, it is important to remember that their families also need a shield of prayer.

Heavenly Father, we know that YOU created marriage and family to be a place of peace, nurturing, acceptance, and fulfillment. We ask that the home environment of every officer in the Arizona’s Law Enforcement would mirror YOUR design.

Give the family members of each officer the ability to communicate with love, patience, and understanding. Give each family member the sensitivity to recognize and meet legitimate needs of one another quickly. Give each one an understanding heart without harboring resentment when called upon to make sacrifices because of the officer’s job responsibilities.

Empower each officer and his/her spouse with the ability to provide for the emotional, physical and spiritual as well as material needs of the family. Give each officer the ability to leave the job at work, unplug and relax, enjoy the family, and have time for family activities. Give each officer and spouse the tools to establish a strong marriage and build a healthy family. Where relationships are strained or broken bring healing, reconciliation, and restoration. Provide wise and godly counselors and friends to come alongside and bring support where needed.

# Praying for...

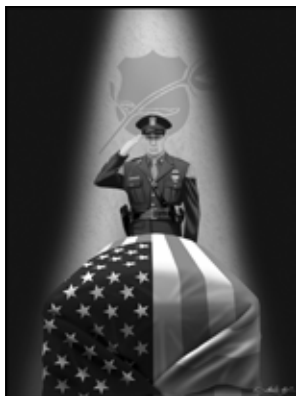
## THE FAMILIES OF FALLEN OFFICERS

Since 1925, the Arizona Police Department has suffered 247 deaths (139 due to gunfire) in the line of duty.

- Psalm 34:18** The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed.
- Psalm 147:3** He heals the brokenhearted, binding up their wounds.
- Matthew 5:4** Blessed are those that mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- John 14:27** Jesus said: "I am leaving you with a gift - peace of mind and heart! And the peace I give is not fragile like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid."
- John 14:18** Jesus said; "No, I will not abandon you or leave you as orphans in the storm - I will come to you."
- 2 Thess 2:16-17** May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting comfort and hope which we don't deserve, **comfort your hearts with all comfort, and help you in every good thing you say and do.**

Father God, we come to YOU now on behalf of the families of Arizona's fallen officers. We ask that YOU provide them peace, comfort and provision in their loss. Father God, heal their deep woundedness, loss and grief. We pray that YOU will help them draw near to YOU and look to YOU for comfort and everything they may have need of.

Lord, thank YOU for being the rock and strength for these families in their loss. Father God, be a father (or mother) to their children and a close comforter to the ones left behind. Lord, bring YOUR comfort, peace and provision to these precious families, and I ask that YOU continue to stay close to them with YOUR peace, healing and security now and forever.



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Praying to...

## EXPOSE WICKEDNESS, CRIME, AND CORRUPTION

In the New Testament the term “lawlessness” describes those who knowingly, deliberately and willfully rebel against the laws of God and man. These people despise and defy the law. They refuse to be under God’s rule and God’s government. God is merciful and just; He will forgive those who turn away from “lawlessness” but punish those who do not.

- Hebrews 12:27** God of Justice, shake open and expose all areas of corruption and ungodliness in our land.
- Proverbs 2:22** Cut off evil and let the treacherous be rooted out.
- Mark 4:22** Reveal and bring to the light all hidden things done in darkness.
- Matthew 10:26** So do not be intimidated, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known.
- 1 Corinthians 4:5** for YOU will bring to light the evil motives and wickedness of men,
- 1 Corinthians 4:5** exposing the darkest secrets of their hearts.
- 2 Chronicles 7:14** Cause the wicked to humble themselves, pray to YOU for forgiveness, and turn them from their evil ways.
- 2 Chronicles 7:14** Then YOU will forgive their sins and heal their lives.
- Acts 26:18** Open the eyes of the wicked and turn them from darkness to light.
- Hebrews. 3:13** Soften the hearts that are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin,
- Psalms 107:20** delivering them from their destruction.
- 2 Peter 3:9** Father, YOU have been longsuffering toward them,
- 2 Peter 3:9** not willing that any should perish,
- 2 Peter 3:9** but that all should come to repentance and the saving knowledge of YOUR Son, Christ Jesus. Bring them to YOUR salvation and deliver them from their destructive ways.

Praying...

## THE SCRIPTURE OVER ARIZONA'S LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OUR LAND

**1 Timothy 2:1** Heavenly Father, I give thanks for our Arizona's Law Enforcement.

**Romans 13:4** Thank YOU for calling and equipping them to their special service.

**1 Timothy 2:2** I pray for these brave men and women who walk in authority to have wisdom and grace to keep the peace.

**Proverbs 1:23** Pour out YOUR Spirit upon them and make YOUR Word known to them.

**Psalms 25:21** Cause them to be men and women of integrity and honesty,

**1 Timothy 2:2** that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and dignity.

**Proverbs 2:10** Let wisdom enter their hearts, and let knowledge be pleasant to them.

**Proverbs 2:11** Let discretion preserve them and understanding keep them,

**Proverbs 2:12** deliver them from the way of evil and from evil men.

**Psalms 1:1** Make their hearts and ears attentive to godly counsel,

**2 Chronicles 20:32** causing them to always do what is right in YOUR sight.

- Isaiah 54:14** Give us upright, just and fair men and women in our law enforcement, that would faithfully execute justice in securing our city, state and nation.
- Proverbs 2:21** Sustain those who live right and blameless before YOU and keep them firm and strong.
- Isaiah 49:22** Raise up a standard of godliness throughout Arizona and our nation.
- Proverbs 14:34** We know that godliness will exalt our nation,
- Proverbs 11:11** and upright citizens are good for a city and make it prosper.
- Zechariah 10:1** Bring the refreshing rains of YOUR Spirit to flood this land
- Habakkuk 3:2** and revive our hearts and the works of YOUR hand in our midst.
- Isaiah 59:16** Raise up passionate and effective prayer for Arizona and this nation
- 2 Corinthians 10:4** calling upon YOU to pull down evil strongholds over this land,
- Isaiah 40:5** And let the presence and power of the LORD be revealed!  
All in the matchless, powerful and wonderful Name of Jesus the Christ!

Please continue praying for these noble men and women in law enforcement,  
serving our cities, state and nation.

**Thank you and may God richly bless you!**

## A POLICE OFFICER'S PRAYER

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*Heavenly Father, I ask for courage, the courage to face and conquer my own fears... and the courage to take me where others will not go.*

*I ask for strength, the strength of body, mind and spirit in protecting others and the skill and integrity to lead others.*

*I ask for dedication, the dedication and passion to my calling, to do it well, and the commitment to serve my community and keep it safe.*

*Loving God, give me gentleness and kindness in helping others and credibility so that others may trust me. I ask for wisdom in how to serve those who need me ...*

*And Faithful Lord, through it all, I embrace You as my shield and my rear guard, knowing that You are always at my side. In the Name of Christ Jesus. Amen.*

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