

Proposal for City-Wide Prayer Gathering for Vicksburg

To: The Honorable Mayor Willis Thompson

Dear Mayor Thompson,

We respectfully submit this proposal requesting the partnership and support of the City of Vicksburg for a City-Wide Prayer Gathering to be held on ~~Friday~~^{Saturday}, September 1~~1~~², 2026, at Vicksburg City Hall.

This vision was inspired by Lady Michelle Dee Coleman, a former resident of Vicksburg who now resides in Texas. Her desire is to see churches, community leaders, families, and citizens unite in prayer for peace, healing, wisdom, protection, and favor over our city.

Purpose of the Event

The purpose of this gathering is to:

- Bring together churches of all denominations in unity.
- Encourage peace, hope, and community engagement.
- Pray for the city's leadership, schools, businesses, first responders, and families.
- Promote spiritual and civic unity throughout the community.

Event Overview

- **Date:** ~~Friday~~^{Saturday}, September 1~~1~~², 2026
- **Location Requested:** Vicksburg City Hall Grounds or another designated City Hall gathering space
- **Fellowship & Gathering Time:** 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM
- **Prayer Event Program:** 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
- **Expected Attendance:** Churches, ministry leaders, residents, and community supporters from across Vicksburg and the surrounding areas

The 30-minute fellowship period will allow attendees to connect with one another, visit community vendors, and provide time for participants, speakers, and the community choir to be in place before the program begins promptly at 5:30 PM.

Event Components

The gathering will include:

- Fellowship and community engagement
- Opening welcome and invocation

- Intercessory prayer led by local pastors and ministry leaders for city officials, public servants, educators, first responders, businesses, and families
- Scripture readings
- Musical worship selections performed by a City-Wide Community Choir
- Community engagement with vendors and unity messages

Requests for City Partnership

We respectfully request the City of Vicksburg's partnership through the following:

1. Permission to host the event at Vicksburg City Hall.
2. Assistance from the Vicksburg Police Department to provide security and public safety support throughout the event.
3. Assistance in providing event equipment, if available, including:
 - Microphones
 - Speakers
 - Sound system/audio equipment
 - Podium (if available)
 - Any additional equipment the City may be able to provide to ensure the success of the event.
4. Consideration of city promotion and community partnership to help inform residents about the gathering.

We believe this event will serve as a meaningful opportunity to unite our community in faith, encourage collaboration among churches, and pray collectively for the continued peace, prosperity, and well-being of the City of Vicksburg.

Thank you for your consideration and your continued service to our city. We look forward to the opportunity to partner with the City of Vicksburg in making this gathering a meaningful and impactful event for our community.

Respectfully Submitted,
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