

# Prayerwalk

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**‘focus on my neighborhood !’**

1. Prayerwalking is not just walking along praying, it is much more than that. Steve Hawthorne and Graham Kendrick call it “praying on site with insight .”
  - Praying on site brings us into the community. We are not just praying for the community behind some walls, we are now “out there because we really care .” It helps us do the Word; **Joshua 1:3** *‘Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you ’KJV.* Praying on site into the closest contact with the people as possible for the moment.
  - Praying with insight comes from the Holy Spirit. As we walk and pray God may reveal insight into the neighborhood, meaning strongholds, curses, problems, etc. This is what some call spiritual mapping (we will look at this another time). Also, you don’t have to walk all the time. Your team may choose to stand, sit, lay down, or whatever you want. Just make sure you follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.
2. Prayerwalkers do not have to be Bible scholars, ordained ministers, over 18, spiritual giants, or anything else. All they need to be is available! They must have a desire to do the great commission and GO and pray in their communities (**Matt. 28:19**).
3. Prayerwalking is not to attract attention to you or your Church. It is not to show off how spiritual your Church is or you.
4. Prayerwalking is not an end in itself. It is preparation for an evangelistic witness.
5. Prayerwalking is Intentional Praying . It is setting aside a time to walk in order to pray. It is intentional intercession ..planned ..organized ..and strategized!
6. Prayerwalking is praying with a vision. It is walking through a neighborhood and seeing what God wants to do.
7. Prayerwalking can do a couple of things to your fellowship and you:
  - It can help grow the congregation and bring great blessing.
  - It can bring spiritual backlash and warfare. As you call in God’s power and glory you will experience the upheaval of demonic powers. But we have the victory in Christ Jesus and His shed blood!
8. A reason for Prayerwalking in neighborhoods is the spiritual principle of **Territoriality** .”Those who reside in an area whether in homes or in a fellowship (Church) have territorial rights to the neighborhood. This is found in several passages. Paul would only boast about the field God has assigned to (him) (**2 Cor. 10:13**). God promised us that if we pray He will heal OUR land (**2 Chron. 7:14**).

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He even told the Jews who were carried away into captivity to seek the peace of the city where I caused you to be carried away captive, and PRAY to the Lord for IT (Jer. 29:7).

9. Before you go remember to dress (prepare) yourself spiritually as you would physically. This means put on the Armor of God. In prayer put on each piece one at a time (Ephesians 6:10-18). Pray also for protection for you and all with you on this walk.

- Remember the power of our praying is found in the Holy Spirit and The Word of God! Not you!

10. How to do it.

- Gather and form teams (no more than 10, no less than 2). The more teams, the more territory can be covered. You can even ask other Christians in the neighborhood to join you, or you may choose to just go as a local fellowship.
- Spend about 15 minutes together in preparation (prayer). Then move into the area to cover.
- Go to the intersection of the area chosen for the walk. Gather and pray one at a time for the four blocks that meet there. Pray with eyes open to see what God might show you. Then choose one of the four blocks and walk down one side praying for each home or building (keep walking unless God says different). When you come to the end, walk back up the other side doing the same.
- Next time start on another intersection.
- Remember this is a form of spiritual warfare. ***Do not take it lightly!***

11. Some suggestions for prayer:

- Pray for God's power and glory to come to the neighborhood.
- Walk and read or quote Scripture.
- Listen to the Holy Spirit for direction. And communicate with each other too!
- Pray for salvation to come to each home.
- Rebuke Satan's work in Jesus name in the neighborhood and homes.
- Pray for a revelation of the love of Jesus in the life of each family.
- Pray blessing ..not cursing!
- Pray what the Holy Spirit leads you to pray. (Romans 8:26)

12. This is simply the beginning process of saturating the area in intercessory prayer!  
Let's do it!

Some information was taken from the book Churches That Pray By C. Peter Wagner