



MY FAITH VOTES & UNITED IN PURPOSE
invite you to join together in prayer for

A CONVERSATION ABOUT AMERICA'S FUTURE WITH
DONALD TRUMP & BEN CARSON

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*Thank you for your participation in this important event. Our goal in hosting this conversation is to provide a platform for dialogue about the importance of our **FAITH** in the future of our country. We also sincerely desire that this event will promote a spirit of **UNITY** and **LOVE** between the Christian leaders in attendance, both in the meeting and long into the future. We are dependent on God's Spirit to accomplish both of these ideals.*

*To that end, we want to invite you to a **PRE-CONVERSATION** and a **POST-CONVERSATION** with God: two guided prayer experiences designed to prepare your heart for the meeting and to help you process the event after it concludes.*

A Preparatory Prayer for Those in Attendance

Before the event on June 21, set aside some time to be alone with God. Minimize any distractions that will compete for your attention. Take a moment to attend to God's presence with you in this time of prayer.

*O LORD, You have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
You discern my thoughts from afar.*

Psalm 139:1-2 (ESV)

“Lord, I ask that you would prepare my heart for this meeting with Donald Trump.”

- » *Ask God to help you recognize any tensions that you feel about participating in this meeting.*
- » *Talk with God about your motives for attending this event.*
- » *Seek God's help to identify any expectations that you hold regarding Mr. Trump or the other Christian leaders in attendance.*

“Lord, I ask that you would help me to be fully present with you as I participate in the meeting.”

- » *Ask God to help you see others in attendance through his eyes.*
- » *Seek God's assistance to listen intently to others with an open mind and heart.*
- » *Talk with God about any personal struggles or political conflicts you have with others that will be in attendance.*
- » *Ask God for the grace to engage with others without hindrances.*

“Lord, help me to be attentive to your will and the movements of your Spirit throughout the meeting.”

- » *Ask God to bring to your mind any agenda that you want to see accomplished.*
- » *Consider your response if God chooses for the meeting to unfold in a way that competes with your expectations or desires.*
- » *Assess your willingness to surrender to God's sovereignty in the outcome of this event.*
- » *Affirm your desire for God to guide the meeting.*

“Lord, prepare my heart to respond in love whatever may come about in and through this meeting.”

- » *Ask God to help you to seek unity with your Christian brothers and sisters in this meeting regardless of differing political views and responses.*
- » *Acknowledge any personal feelings that would keep you from honoring Mr. Trump for his participation. Take a moment to offer a blessing for Mr. Trump and his family.*
- » *Affirm your dependence on God to bring healing and wholeness to individuals and systems within our country.*
- » *Ask God to draw each participant closer to his love through this meeting.*

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:34-35 (ESV)

A Post Meeting Conversation with God

Within a few days of the “Conversation with Donald Trump” set aside some time to process the event in prayer. Find a quiet place to talk with God where you will not be distracted by others.

Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

Psalm 139:23-24 (ESV)

“God, help me to grow in love and wisdom from participating in this important meeting. I ask for your perspective as I reflect on what happened.”

“God, help me recall what I saw that may be important.”

- » Reflect on the faces and the body language of those who were speaking and listening at the event.
- » Recall what you noticed about the dynamics of the group as a whole.
- » Ask God to reveal the significance of any of your observations.

“God, help me recall what I heard that I should remember.”

- » Reflect on any subject talked about that particularly held your attention.
- » Did you hear any themes emerge from the dialogue?
- » Ask God for his perspective on what you heard.

“God, help me recall what I was feeling during the meeting.”

- » Recall any topic that bothered you or which brought up an emotional response.
- » Assess if you were generally disappointed or encouraged by the conversation.
- » Ask God to help you discern how your emotions affected your reactions and responses to the meeting.

“God, help me recall how I responded and interacted with others who were present.”

- » Explore with God both positive and negative interactions that come to mind.
- » Ask God to help you understand what may have contributed to each response.
- » Thank God that his love was covering everyone who attended the meeting.

“God, help me to know what you want me to share with others about what I learned and experienced in the meeting.”

- » Ask God to help you discern what you should share with those in your constituency.
- » Explore if there are any aspects of the meeting or personal opinions about the meeting that you should refrain from sharing with others.
- » Seek God’s perspective to identify how you can communicate with others in a way that honors those who participated in the event.

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

Ephesians 4:29 (ESV)

End your time of prayer by thanking God for the opportunity to be present at this meeting. Affirm your desire to continue to listen for how God wants you to respond in the future to these political issues.