

# 2019: YEAR OF PRAYER

**We're covering ALIES & The Back Porch and the prolife movement in prayer every day for the whole year. Join us by committing to intentional daily prayer for a specific week.**

**Matthew 18: 19-20** "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." There is great power when we unite in prayer! Our Heavenly Father hears us, the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, and Jesus is present with us. Let's be bold in our prayers, believing we will see the growth of a true culture of life, and the end of abortion. God is faithful, and He will answer our prayers.

**Alberta Life Issues Educational Society** exists to educate Albertans on the sanctity and dignity of all human life from conception to natural death, and to create and promote a culture of life.

**Statement of Faith:** In all our programs and services, we share God's message of love for all people, which offers hope and transformation. We believe that each person is created in the image of God and must be treated with dignity and respect. We are transparent and trustworthy, accountable to God and each other. We are committed to biblical, ethical and professional accountability in all of our dealings.

**The Back Porch** is the main project of ALIES. Located directly across the street from the abortion clinic in Edmonton, The Back Porch operates as an 11th hour ministry promoting life-affirming options to abortion-minded women and men. By providing non-judgmental and confidential support, the facts about abortion and the preborn child, and resources, we empower women and men to choose life. In this capacity we network with pregnancy centres, adoption agencies, counseling groups and referral agencies across Alberta.

**Please pray for our board, staff, volunteers, and financial supporters of this ministry. May we all be strengthened, encouraged, and guided by the Holy Spirit.**

**Pray throughout the year by joining Text to Save a Life. Text BACKPORCH to 555-888, and you'll receive texts to pray for our clients, volunteers, & staff in the moments they need it most.**



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## MONTH OF JUSTICE PRAYING FOR JOURNALISTS

**"The mouths of the righteous utter wisdom, and their tongues speak what is just. The law of their God is in their hearts; their feet do not slip." (Psalm 37: 30-31)**

Justice is an eternal concept; it is as God defines it and as He carries it out. Pray that God will make a path for his followers who are in journalism, and that their prolife convictions would not hinder their career. Pray that God would encourage Christians in the media – may they always accurately represent His truth, and may it be widely known.

**A Story from The Back Porch...** A post-abortive woman called our office to receive resources for healing. She was given no tools for emotional recovery from her abortion-provider. She hoped that abortion would help her heal from the assault which led to her pregnancy, but instead it only added to her emotional distress. Pray that prolife journalists would not be afraid to share the truth about abortion.

**"Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain." (Psalm 127: 1)** Have you ever built a sandcastle on a beach and watched the tide take it away? We need someone who will watch the waters as we build. We are the watchmen for prolife journalists. Respond to the call to pray for them by asking the LORD to be their firm foundation, their strength, and their comfort, in their work for the vulnerable.

**"At the end of seven days the word of the Lord came to me: 'Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me.'" (Ezekiel 3: 16-17)** God called Ezekiel, prepared him, encouraged him, and sent him to deliver His message. Pray this over Journalism and Communications students – may God call them, prepare them, encourage them, and send them. We need people to rise up to God's call and speak the truth about abortion and what it does to our culture.

**"Evildoers do not understand what is right, but those who seek the Lord understand it fully." (Proverbs 28: 5)** We live in a culture that has learned to justify abortion, and even celebrate it. For a variety of reasons, people decide that they can't or won't have a baby in their current situation. The tiny person already alive in the womb is reduced to a 'blob of tissue', a problem, an intruder. One way to fight this injustice is for the LORD to lead prolife journalists and authors, and all those blessed with the gift of communication, in the proclamation of His truth of the sanctity and dignity of all human life.

**"Joshua said to them, 'Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Be strong and courageous. This is what the Lord will do to all the enemies you are going to fight.'" (Joshua 10: 25)** God has our back when we enter into His calling for us. Pray that prolife journalists would feel this supernatural support from the LORD. Praise God that He has given some people gifts of articulation; pray they always use it for His glory. We pray for them because their dedication to the truth often puts them in conflicts and in very difficult situations. Pray for courage that they may persevere. The LORD will take care of the rest.

THANK-YOU FOR RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL TO PRAYER.

THROUGH UNITY IN SPIRIT, MAY WE ASK BOLDLY FOR THE END OF ABORTION IN OUR WORLD.