



## Let me introduce you to the College of Prayer!

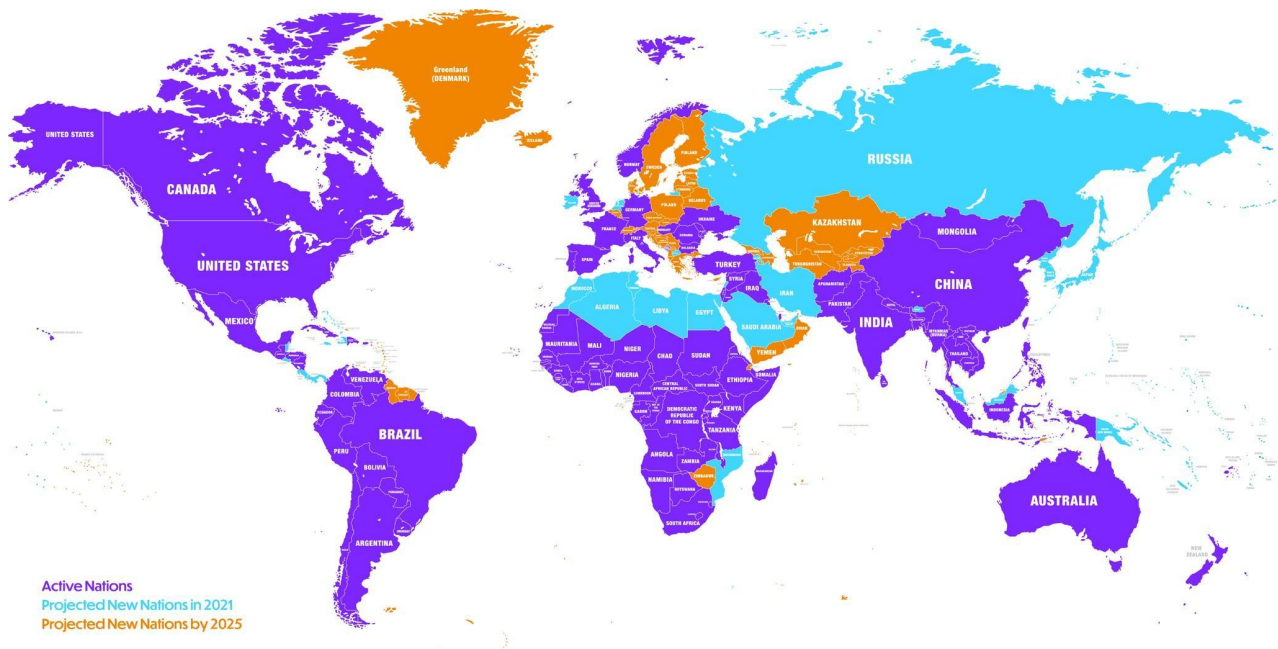
The College of Prayer International exists to serve Christ and His church. We lead local churches and church leaders to encounter the manifest presence of Christ and we help congregations become houses of prayer for all nations. The entire College of Prayer ministry is modeled after the way Christ made disciples and the way He built the Upper Room. Just as Jesus spent three years training His disciples to pray, so do we (Luke 11:1). Just as Jesus led His followers into the Upper Room to have a fresh encounter with His manifest presence (Acts 1:13), to fill them with His Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4) and then send them out to make disciples of all nations (Acts 1:8), so we are re-establishing this New Testament pattern all over the world.

The College of Prayer is a highly transferable paradigm of discipleship and evangelism designed to revive the Church and advance the kingdom of God by the power of the Spirit of God. We are convinced that prayer is not the latest church growth program; rather, it is a way of life. The College of Prayer intentionally enables students to grow in their own spiritual formation. We are seeing God pour out His reviving Spirit on His Church all over the world. He is calling His Church back to the Upper Room to be a house of prayer for all nations (Mark 11:17).

Our desire is to see every local church and every family revived as a house of prayer for all nations so that through the church Christ might reach the final unreached people on earth. We are convinced that the lost will never be reached through a lukewarm church. It is through a revived church that the final unreached people on earth will be reached.

Our mission is to mentor, train, and equip Christian pastors and leaders who will reach a lost world through a revived church.

The College of Prayer International was founded in 1997 by Fred Hartley and three other pastors who had a hunger for Christ and a desire and burden to advance His kingdom. Each of these leaders were mentored by Armin Gesswein. In 1996, Fred Hartley extended an invitation to 50 pastor-friends throughout North America to gather in Atlanta for prayer, and 79 showed up. Each of them encountered God in a profound way and agreed to meet three times a year for three years. Seven of the original group said that they were ready to drop out of the ministry, but when they encountered the reviving presence of Christ, they reaffirmed their calling.



By God's grace we currently have 329,380 Campuses with 948,507 Revival Prayer Groups in 127 nations with more than 15 million participants. Our core curriculum has now been translated into 30 languages.

#### Three-Year Curriculum

Year 1 - "Lord, Teach Us to Pray"

Year 2 - "Lord, As Families, Teach Us to Pray"

Year 3 - "Lord, As Churches, Teach Us to Pray"

The College of Prayer is of benefit to pastors and leaders within a local church fellowship because it gives them an opportunity to slow down, encounter the manifest presence of Christ, listen to what God is saying, meet with people of similar passion, and learn life-transforming, biblical principles that are reproducible.

### **Four Levels of Benefit**

1. Personal growth in Christ. Since every Module is Christ-encountering and empowering, the College of Prayer gives pastors and leaders an opportunity to receive replenishment twice a year for three years.
2. Leadership development. The College of Prayer provides a perfect environment for pastors and leaders to invite their leadership team into three years of biblical, life-transformational, Kingdom training.
3. Praying churches. As members of local congregations participate in the College of Prayer, they become prayer pace-setters for others throughout their church family.
4. Regional revival. Many College of Prayer Campuses have 20-plus different denominations all meeting together in one place at one time. This unity is catalytic towards a sustained move of God in an area.

### **What is a Campus?**

The College of Prayer owns no buildings; we train leaders. A Campus of the College of Prayer is 3-5 pastors and leaders who are committed to the mission and curriculum of the College of Prayer and have the influence to gather 50-plus students for three years. Some Campuses are as large as 2,000 students and some as small as 50. The Campus meets for 2 days at a time, twice a year, for three years, and the impact is far-reaching on the students. This continuity of training allows for deep relationships to be fostered and life-changing principles to be embraced in a community setting. Students enjoy extended times of prayer, worship, repentance, cleansing, and renewal in addition to life-giving teaching. Best of all, they encounter the manifest presence of Christ together.

The College of Prayer leads leaders to a fresh encounter with Christ. We have discovered that when we encounter God, it normally includes five elements:

- » High worship
- » Deep repentance
- » Receiving forgiveness and freedom
- » Being filled with the Holy Spirit
- » Being empowered for ministry

The revival we are praying for is not parochial, shallow, or short-lived. We don't need a flash in the pan revival. The move of God we are praying for is Christ-exalting, pride-crushing, sin-exposing, Satan-evicting, repentance-welcoming, life-transforming, and nation discipling.

If you are interested in learning more about the College of Prayer, or if you are motivated to plant a Campus of the College of Prayer, please contact our President, Fred Hartley, at [fredhartley@collegeofprayer.org](mailto:fredhartley@collegeofprayer.org). For further information or to access useful prayer mobilizing materials, visit [www.CollegeOfPrayer.org](http://www.CollegeOfPrayer.org).