**DMM Prayer Modules**

**DMM Prayer Module #1 – But God**

CPMs are preceded by prayer movements.

* Even if we do everything according to CPM principles, if the Lord doesn’t work, we won’t accomplish anything.
* We must both work hard AND pray earnestly, as Jesus did. With prayer, we work with God. Without prayer, we work alone.

Wherever there is a Church Planting Movement today, it is accompanied by extraordinary prayer. In fact, in India, where a huge CPM has occurred among the Bhojpuri, church-planters normally spend 2+ hours/day in personal prayer, more time each day in corporate prayer plus 1-2 days a week in fasting.

1. Read out loud 2x, Ephesians 2:1-10

2. Rephrase in your own words…

In what ways does “but God” apply to your UPGs?

Ask the Lord what new pathways He desires to build among your people group.

**DMM Prayer Module #2 – Jesus’ Modeling: Casting Out Demons**

Let’s look at two encounters Jesus had “as He went.”

Ask the Lord to reveal to each of us what He desires in this passage.

1. Read out loud together 2x. Luke 8:26-39. Rephrase same text 2x as group process.
2. What do we learn about Jesus from this passage?
3. What do we learn about people from this passage?
4. Take a few minutes and ask the Lord what He desires you to learn and to obey from this passage?
5. Who else and their family/friends are you feeling impressed to share this passage with? With whom? When?

Ask the Lord to show you specific steps to take for your UPG in the area of prayer as a result of what Jesus modeled in this passage. (Take 5 minutes to ask the Lord this question, then share with each other specific action steps.)

**DMM Prayer Module #3 – Praise as a Weapon**

What does the devil want? More than anything, he wants our praise for himself (Matthew 4:9), but secondarily he wants to rob God of praise (Genesis 3:4-5). Other things he does are a means to that end: distracting us from praising God.

Read 2 Chronicles 20:1-30 aloud. Facilitate the group to speak short blessings and praises to the name of the Lord. This can lead to reading Psalms, singing, etc.

Facilitate: Ask the Lord how He desires to bless your focus UPGs. Take 5 minutes silently, then intercede accordingly.

**DMM Prayer Module #4 – Extraordinary Prayer/Prayer Themes-Empowered by the Holy Spirit**

### Listening and Reflecting

Take 5 minutes to pause, listen to God, and write overarching themes for UPGs for which you each have been praying in recent weeks, concerning the following:

* Scripture
* Topics
* Themes

Take 1 minute each and share how the Lord has been leading you to intercede for your people in the above areas, in recent weeks. Share any specific answers to intercession each person has seen. Celebrate God’s hand in brief praise responses over that area.

### Sharing and Praying

If you haven’t prayed in this way in the past, take some time to ask the Lord what he might have for you to pray in this next season. If you don’t hear any direction from the Spirit, count it as freedom to come up with something.

1. 15 minutes in groups of 2-3: Pray within the group one of these areas for your UPG.
2. 5 minutes
   1. In your group, determine if there were any themes or topics that rose to the surface or various items that formed a theme. Decide together which thing (if any) was a common factor in your prayers
   2. Pick a person in the group to state a theme to everybody. They pray it in front of everyone, with everyone being in agreement
3. 5 minutes: Everyone write down their themes and hand them in for me to check if there are any themes that have resonated among everyone.

**DMM Prayer Module #5 – End Vision DMM Exercise**

Listen and intercede about these dynamics

End Vision Components: (Road map which we carry with us everywhere)

1. God’s Glory Centric
2. Audaciously Specific
3. Movement Mindset
4. Time Bound

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**DMM Prayer Module #6 – Praying in the Imperative**

* Read Matthew 6 (The Lord’s Prayer)
* Prayer from our position in Christ
* Extraordinary Prayer: Becoming Like Jesus (Phil. 2 themes)

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**DMM Prayer Module #7 – Displacement: Praying the Opposite**

Keeping prayer focused on God’s purposes/promises… instead of “praying against” something, we positively “pray in the opposite.”

Someone has a central sheet of paper (could be a big flip chart) and writes down “complaints” or troubles concerning your place/people. What are some examples of negative things that we see in India (or elsewhere) and what does it look like to pray the opposite? Write a list of opposites. For example:

* Family tensions 🡪 Unity (Psalm 133)
* Prejudice/caste system 🡪 Honor (James 2:1-13)

Spend some time as a group “praying in” the things listed in the column on the right.

Coaching Team letter

**DMM Prayer Module #8 – Replacing the Important with the Omnipotent**

**Concept/ Question:** What is your vision of a prayer-first life? How will you know when you get there?

**Example:** Who are some great prayer masters? What about their daily life shows you how to get the continual intimacy and depth of relationship that they had? Those who God has used to start movements often describe 2+ hours daily praying and multiple, regular patterns of fasting. What is that pointing out, to us, about their relationship with the Lord?

**Action:** Listening Prayer: what does the Lord want me to replace, to spend time with Him? Ask: “Is this a temporary set-aside or a permanent change that you desire, Lord? Please help me, Lord, to replace THIS for THAT which is eternal.”

**Game(?):** What’s App game. “I replaced (Important)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, for time with the Omnipotent….and this is what happened.

**DMM Prayer Module #9 – Praying Your Passion**

* **Concept/Question:** Which aspects of DMM move you to intercession? (list of DMM Essential Elements). Look over this list two or three times. Which word grabs your attention? Circle your top passion. If you are thinking, “Hey wait, you forgot….”, then THAT might be what the Lord has put in your heart to be passionate about.
* **Example:** funny story: “Love on schedule.” Why does God give us a heart for THIS, and our fellow work a heart for THAT, if all things are needed?
* **Action:** Write your top passion on your card, move around the room, find out who else shares your passion. How is our team put together? Are we lopsided, all passionate and pre-focused on the same thing? Claim prayer in your passion area for the group, ask for others to cover their passion for your location and team.
* **Pray:** Thank the Lord for the uniqueness of our team, thank Him for our interconnectedness! Acknowledge His Omnipotence in designing the Body of Christ (our Block) for His Glory.

**DMM Prayer Module #10 – Into Battle Fray**

* **Concept/ Question:** How are we as a team/network distributed throughout the region? Can we claim an area for Christ geographically? Do we want to? Where would we draw those lines? Where do we work, rest, shop, vacation, know of strong partner teams? Can our lines bump up and border one another anywhere? Can we see one movement spilling over along natural lines into another area? What are the natural trade routes/ people routes that connect us together?
* **Example:** “Coke”
* **Action:** Pass the macaroni and cheese. How many different ways could we get a box of macaroni and cheese from one of us to each of the other members of our block. If it begins with me, I list all the names of people traveling toward Indonesia or the Philippines I’m going to have to rely on people that are friends of friends and a whole bunch of relatives of friends of friends. The goal is to see how many people could we get to hold that box in their hand in between and transport it. Spreading the Good News through natural connections. What if we wanted to get not one box around to each other but as many free boxes of macaroni and cheese into as many households as possible, how would we do it? How would we make sure that the box was cooked and eaten correctly? The gospel is not a box of mac and cheese, but it can move as fast as one.
* **Prayer:** Listening Prayer: “Lord, show us the bigger picture of how your Good News will spread in our area. Who do you want me to seek out to begin the movement? How can I claim my area for you, hold the ground sacred and believe in a movement here?”

**DMM Prayer Module #11 – Listening Prayer (Personal)**

* **Concept/Question:** What has The Lord laid on your heart this week? What have you wished that you could take time to talk with Him about but have been too busy? What question do you have for Him?
* **Example:** Jesus often went out to lonely places to pray.
* **Action: Listening prayer for personal questions you’ve had this week.**

**DMM Prayer Module #12 – Listening Prayer (Scriptural)**

1. Sit quietly for about 30 minutes. When you are ready, calm your heart and mind by reading some Scripture. If stray thoughts come through your mind, write them down on a separate piece of paper so you can address them later.
2. When you are ready, ask the Lord to protect you, in Jesus’ name, from deception (Mt. 28:18, Lk 10:19-20, 2 Cor 10:5) and promise to obey what He says.
3. Ask the Lord to speak to you in a way that you can understand. Begin with your sin. Ask God to show you anything you need to confess. Pen in hand. He will not be vague. If you have unconfessed sin, He will reveal it to you. Confess and receive His forgiveness. Write down in your journal whatever He says to you.
4. When you are ready, focus on your question for prayer. Sit quietly. Wait. Listen. God may direct you to a specific passage of Scripture. You may hear a specific word in your heart/mind. Write down whatever you feel He may be saying to you.
5. Commit to obey whatever He commanded you to do. Thank Him for speaking.
6. Real specific, simple steps.