

# GI Prayer Meeting Guidelines (v1.0)



The following guidelines have been formulated to foster a better environment while meeting for prayer.

In any way should they be a device to quench the Spirit, but as Scripture says, *'When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue or an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up'* and *'God is not a God of disorder but of peace'* (1 Corinthians 14:26, 33).

1. If it is possible, and so long it depends on you, be on time.
2. Make prayer a more committed act.
3. Allow everyone a fair chance at praying by not monopolizing the time. Give everyone the opportunity to express his/her heart to God.
4. Know who the leader is.
5. Be connected to the theme set by the leader.
6. Pray to God and not to men: Perhaps you have a short testimony, teaching, word of knowledge, etc., which is relevant to what you are about to pray and connected to the theme.

First, share in a concise manner and then pray to the Lord. Sharing the testimony, teaching or word of knowledge as if one were praying is rather confusing for the rest of the team and difficult to follow and agree upon.

7. If it is the case, privately, (or otherwise if prompted by the Lord) confess any known sins (unforgiveness, quarrelling, etc.) before starting the time of prayer. Unconfessed sins not only affect the person, but the whole body, rendering the time of prayer less effective.
8. The leader might gently remind the team whether it has side-tracked from the guidelines, in order to keep the group focussed and on target.
9. Worship and give thanks to God in Christ Jesus, your Creator and Saviour. He is worthy!