

Prayer for the General Election

God of all government

God of all government, send workers into the harvest field of political life.

Call your people – not simply those who pay you lip service, but those who hear your voice and know your name.

Call those who will not serve two masters, those who will choose kingdom over tribe, those who are not ashamed of the gospel and those who will speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Call those who will seek justice, encourage the oppressed, defend the cause of the fatherless, and plead the case of the widow.

Call those who seek reconciliation more than separation, those who seek to co-operate more than compete and those who seek peace more than power.

Call those who will choose your glory over self-promotion and those who will choose truth over expediency.

Call those who will listen to the still, small voice more than the megaphone of the media and those who will care for the least, rather than bow down to the greatest.

Call those who find their identity and security in divine election rather than election by humankind, those whose citizenship is in heaven, and whose primary allegiance is to another king.

Call those who cannot help but speak of the reason for the hope that they have – those who know your grace covers their failings.

Call out an army that will fight not with the weapons of this world but with the mighty power of your peaceful kingdom.

Amen.