



Monthly Prayer Topics for France

January 2011

In politics...

1. Funeral services were held this month for Antoine de Leocour and Vincent Delory, two French citizens kidnapped and killed in Niger by members of Al-Qaeda. Pray for their families and friends to be comforted, and that God would fill them with a sense of the hope that is found in Christ. Pray for the revelation of Jesus Christ and His liberation to come upon the terrorists, who are above all prisoners of evil.
2. A debate concerning euthanasia was held in the French Senate on January 25th. Pray for a strong mobilization of intercession against euthanasia...nothing is impossible with God!

In society...

1. As France enters a new year, pray for quality social dialogue that will encourage justice and peace, for an economy inspired by Kingdom values that provides work opportunities and dignity for all people, and ask God to bless new initiatives with a strong presence of Christian ideals. Similarly, pray these things over the entire European continent, particularly for cooperation between countries.
2. A presentation of New Year's wishes concerning Sports was held at the Elysee on January 17th. Pray for the transmission of heavenly values in sports, and in all social spheres.
3. A presentation of New Year's wishes concerning rural life was held in Bas-Rhin on January 18th. Thank God for France's beautiful country, "flowing with milk and honey," and pray for all actors of the rural community – particularly for the farmers who have the difficult mission of feeding France's population on exceedingly difficult conditions.
4. A presentation of New Year's wishes concerning knowledge and culture was held in Paris on January 19th. Pray for a renewal of French intelligence and of art by the spirit of God's Kingdom, that Christians would rise to excellence in affirming these values.
5. A presentation of New Year's wishes concerning health care was held in Chatillon-sur-Indre on January 20th. Thank God for health care personnel and their work, often very difficult, and to give them strength in their daily encounter with suffering. Name those health care workers that you know personally.
6. A presentation of New Year's wishes concerning high jurisdiction was held on January 21 at the Elysee. Pray for God to inspire effective judicial reforms, reflecting healthy democratic principles.

Other Happenings...

1. As Objectif France and the CCFOF prepare for the 2011 Pray for France campaign, please pray for the development of the prayer guide – that the different contributors would be inspired and equipped by God to meet this challenge. Also, please pray for the quality and impact of this means of communication, and for the numerous intercessors who will join in this year's campaign.
2. The Evangelical Alliance held a universal week of prayer January 9-16. Pray for a realization of the world's need for Jesus Christ, and that we each have a role to play. Ask God to reveal the challenges we will face, and to give us the strength to rely on God to overcome these challenges. Pray for a generation of witnesses to rise up and impact the world for God's glory.

3. A group of Israeli Christians launched a week of prayer for Christian unity January 18-25. Pray for unity, a task only achieved by God and impossible by our own initiatives. Identify obstacles to unity, and allow the Holy Spirit to search our hearts.
4. A March for Life against abortion was held in Paris on January 23rd. Pray that their march would inspire people in their efforts to uphold the dignity of life.