

God Hears Their Cries

Thankfully, God is helping victims of domestic violence through churches, nonprofits, and individuals like you.

What Can You Do?

#BreakTheSilence - Pray that God will use this effort to bring hope and a pathway to a new life to those who suffer from abuse by becoming a church partner through the **#BreakTheSilence** campaign. Register your church to raise awareness about domestic violence and to address the issue from a biblical perspective.

<http://www.kcbi.org/break-the-silence/>

KCBI has been working hard and diligently with UNITE, The Gatehouse and Genesis Women's Shelter to raise awareness about domestic violence through this campaign and the events below.

Calendar Highlights

Oct. 23: #BreakTheSilenceSunday

Oct. 18: Genesis' Faith Community Panel on Domestic Violence

Oct. 17: Get in the Game Luncheon

Oct. 14: Deadline to sign up to be a church partner

#PaintBigDPurple - The Dallas DV Taskforce has created this campaign to engage and educate organizations and the public through social media and special events throughout the month. This year the task force is encouraging citizens to Paint the Town Purple by tying purple ribbons around their trees and front doors. These ribbons can be picked up throughout the month of October at Recreation Centers around the City. dallascityhall.com/government/citycouncil/district13/dvtf/Pages/default.aspx

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Oct. 4: National Night Out

Resources:

<http://www.genesisshelter.org/page.aspx?pid=368>

<http://www.dallascitynews.net/domesticviolence>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c0KNr7QqufA>

www.womenslaw.org

www.genesisshelter.org || (214) 946-4357

www.familyplace.org || (214) 941-1191

www.kcbi.org || (888) 886-8848

www.gatehousegrapevine.com || (817) 912-0317

www.dallasdvresources.org/index.php



OCTOBER 2016 PRAYER GUIDE

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.”
Ephesians 5:25-28

This month is **Domestic Violence**

Did you know that 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in their lifetime? In 2015, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented 17,774 contacts from Texas and ranked Dallas #2 in terms of Hotline contact volume.

Most victims are women between the ages of 25-36 and experience 94% emotional/verbal abuse, 71% physical abuse, 17% financial abuse, 7% sexual abuse and 3% digital abuse. Any violation of the sacred marriage and family relationships always produces pain, but God promises to be close to the victim who suffers at the hands of an abuser.

Please prepare your heart before you begin to pray through the AP4C categories, so that these Scriptures and your time with God can renew your heart for our Metroplex.



AP4C model was established in collaboration with
Movement Day Greater Dallas and is facilitated by Unite



All Scripture quotations are taken from the Holy Bible, NIV translation.

SALVATION

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice.” Isaiah 42: 1-3

- Pray that God continues to give us strength and salvation to all victims of domestic violence.
- Pray for abusers to break the cycle of violence that prevents them from right relationships with God and their loved ones.
- Continue to pray for salvation of people within your sphere of influence.

THE CHURCH

“My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.” James 1:19-20

- Pray for local churches and Christians to support shelters and other resources that care for domestic violence victims.
- Pray for believers to continue their faithful prayers for the freedom of these victims.
- Pray for pastors and church councilors to never council couples together, in a domestic violence situation, because it puts the victim in more danger.
- Pray for the church members to become familiar with the domestic violence that many women face and to uplift their church homes.

OUR COMMUNITIES

“This is what the Lord says: Do what is just and right. Rescue from the hand of the oppressor the one who has been robbed. Do no wrong or violence to the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow, and do not shed innocent blood in this place.” Jeremiah 22:3

- Pray that the community will become more educated about domestic violence.
- Pray for females ages 25-36, who experience high rates of intimate partner violence.
- Pray for protection and guidance for victims as they try to ask for help.
- Pray for victims of potentially lethal situations that have never reached out to churches, shelters, DPD, or community advocates.

TRANSFORMATION

“He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight.” Psalm 72:14

- Pray that the system as a whole will work more effectively to better serve our victims in need.
- Pray that the Dallas Domestic Violence Taskforce will enforce new laws that reduce the lethality of domestic violence in our cities.
- Pray that the Dallas Domestic Violence Taskforce continues to bring together the DPD, the DA’s office, Municipal Judges, and community advocates to communicate and work together.
- Pray that continued community engagement and awareness will lower the rates of domestic violence in our city.