

Year of Alignment 2019

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Galatians 5:25

"I have a sense within me that this year is a year of alignment across the Elim Movement."

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At the start of the New Year many of us will be looking ahead with anticipation. It is an opportunity to commit again to personal renewal, to praying for one another, to seeking God's will and direction and interceding on behalf of our nation.

Let's take time this January focus our prayers on four themes, seeking and listening to God, responding with faith and obedience. Let's bring ourselves into alignment with the Kingdom plans and purposes of God.

1. Personal Renewal

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my concerns. See if there is any offensive way in me; lead me in the everlasting way.

Psalm 139:23-24 (NIVUK)

- Open up to God and invite the Spirit to search your heart.
- Realign your heart and mind as God speaks.
- Receive the fullness and leading of God.

2. Praying for One Another

I'm writing to encourage you to fan into a flame and rekindle the fire of the spiritual gift God imparted to you when I laid my hands upon you.

2 Timothy 1:6 (TPT)

- Pray for one another, asking the Spirit to fan into flame and stir up the gifts. Pray for your leaders to be strengthened and refreshed.
- Pray for unity and reconciliation; that we may be one.
- Listen and share anything prophetic God reveals.

3. Praying for Churches

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- Thank God for the church you are part of. Be specific. For what or whom are you giving God thanks?
- Ask God for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit to refresh, renew and transform in and through the church.
- Pray for God's wisdom and direction, to align the church with His Kingdom plans and purposes, keeping in step with the Spirit.

4. Praying for the Nations

Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. Psalm 46:10

- Pray for our nation at a time of great challenge and uncertainty.
- Pray for our family of nations, for leaders and for peace and prosperity. God grant us favour.
- Pray for God's leading and wisdom as we head towards Brexit.