#### PRAYING FOR OUR COUNTRY AS WE VOTE

1. Begin by praising God for all the blessings He has poured out on our country over all these years.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And the nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Isaiah 60: 1-3 ESV

- God is our light. Even amid confusion and bitterness, He remains our light in all darkness.
- When we sensitively seek His direction in the Life of Jesus and the Light of His Word, we can find understanding and truth we can stand on even at uncertain times like these.
- God promises that He will make His Light clear to all.
- God has certainly proven His faithfulness down through the ages, when His people turn to Him, confessing their needs, their confusion, and their fears.
- God has blessed the United States with resources no other nation in the history of the world has known.
- God has blessed the United States with freedom, and with men and women who have faithfully defended that freedom.
- God has raised and multiplied faithful witnesses to His Light in Jesus throughout the history of the United States.
- (Praise God for other blessings that occur to you as you consider His hand upon our country down through the years.)
- 2. Spend time confessing as the Holy Spirit leads you, and ask forgiveness for yourself and our society.

# Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. Proverbs 14: 34 ESV

- As a country, we have put prosperity before the blessings of God.
- As a country, we have trusted in the ways of the world over God's Way.
- As a country, we have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves.
- As a country, we have failed to love each other.
- As a country, we have failed to forgive each other.
- As a country, we have allowed racism to divide us.
- As a country, we have allowed pride to separate us.
- As a country, we have lusted after the pleasures of the world.
- . As a country, we have been silent while the innocent have died.
- As a country, we have too often chosen popular lies over unpleasant truth.
- As a country, we have neglected God and have chosen entertainment instead.
- As a country, we have been too quick to speak and too slow to listen.
- As a country, we have tried our best to live without Jesus.
- 。(Confess to God and ask forgiveness for personal and national sins.)
- 3. Pray for God to move His people to make decisions in particular decisions:

When the righteous increase, the people rejoice, but when the wicked rule, the people groan.

Proverbs 29: 2 ESV

Pray for sensitivity and wisdom in recognizing the essential spirit of each candidate—specifically asking God to help us choose righteous rulers (though we know none of us are perfectly righteous); those whose hearts truly yearn to lead following the truth and the principles of God's Word.

President/Vice-President
Joe Biden/Kamala Harris
Donald Trump/Mike Pence
Jo Jorgensen/Jeremy Cohen

U.S. Senate
Doug Jones
Tommy Tuberville

U.S. House Of Representatives
Rick Neighbors
Robert Aderholt

State Chairman of Public Service Commission
Laura Casey
Twinkle Andress Cavanaugh

Pray for God's Wisdom in voting for or against these state constitutional amendments:

# **State Constitutional Amendments**

## **AMENDMENT ONE**

This amendment would specifically state that <u>only</u> U.S. citizens can vote. Now the constitution reads that <u>every</u> U.S. citizen can vote.

**AMENDMENT TWO** 

This amendment makes changes to the judicial system in Alabama. Adjustments are made to increase the Judicial Inquiry Commission from 9 to 11; to give the Governor rather than the Lieutenant Governor the power to appoint a member of the Court of the Judiciary; to allow the state's Supreme Court rather than the Chief Justice to appoint the Administrative Director of the Courts; and would provide that a judge can only be removed by the Court of the Judiciary.

### **AMENDMENT THREE**

This amendment would extend from one to two years the term appointed district and circuit court judges serve before they face election.

#### **AMENDMENT FOUR**

This amendment would allow a "rearranged version" of the constitution that would remove racist language; remove "repeated" language or language "that no longer applies; combine language that applies to "economic development" or language that applies to one county.

## **AMENDMENTS FIVE AND SIX**

These amendments apply only to Franklin and Lauderdale Counties, stating that a person is not liable for using deadly force in self-defense or in defense of others inside a church.

4. Pray for God to guide you as you and others vote, considering candidates as their views stand in comparison to Biblically guided views of these and other vital issues.

The Sanctity Of Life
Human Relationships
Justice For All
Religious Freedom
Respect For First Responders
Educational Opportunity
Environmental Issues
International Relations

5. Pray that the election will be peaceful and fair, and that results will be clear.

Therefore the LORD waits to gracious to you, and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him. Isaiah 30: 18 ESV