

STANDING WITH GOD FOR OTHERS

HSDAC call to Prayer – February 3 - 12, 2013

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- I will pause to pray at 7:00 am or 7:00 pm. I will prayerfully seek unity, acknowledge my need for You, and confess my short-comings.
- I will seek out someone with whom to pray.

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- ☛ You to reach for Him.
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At the end of the ten days, tear off this portion of the card and drop it in the offering plate.

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"If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." "Ask of Me, and I will answer your requests.'

The promise is made on condition that the united prayers of God's people are offered, and in answer to these prayers there may be expected a power greater than that which comes in answer to private prayer. The power given will be proportionate to the unity of the members and their love for God and for one another." By Ellen G. White, Central Advance, February 25, 1903

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