



Pray4Croatia Small Group Prayer Guide, vol. 5

PRAYER WALKING

We long to see God raise up disciples in Croatia who multiply; making disciples who make disciples. This month we are asking God for fresh vision for the year ahead.

~Below you will find a suggested amount of time for each segment of your meeting, but don't feel bound by these suggestions. Allow the Holy Spirit to lead your prayer time together.

10 Minutes- Mix and Mingle / Video

Use this time to catch up and get settled before your time of prayer. Then show the video [“Spiritual Disciplines - Prayer Walking.”](#) This will serve as a transition from ‘mingling’ to prayer.

10 Minutes- Praise

Before taking time to intercede, praise God for who He is and how He has recently shown Himself to you.

Speak His names out loud (God, You are Savior, You are King, etc.), and His character (God, Your love is unconditional, You are always present).

Praise God for the ways He has been working in and through You. (God, thank You for providing for my family, Thank You for giving me patience yesterday, etc.)

10 Minutes- Personal Surrender and Confession

Personal Surrender

Before interceding on behalf of the people of Croatia, surrender the worries of your life that may distract you during this prayer time. Take a moment to write down on a piece of paper any concerns that are on your mind. Is it your finances? Is it a relationship? Jot that down. Then in your heart, give these concerns over to the Lord.

Confession

Ask the Holy Spirit to convict you of any disbelief or sin that you have been giving in to. Take a moment in your heart to confess these to the Lord and receive His grace and forgiveness.

***15 Minutes- Prayer through the Word**

THEME: PRAYER WALKING

This month we are asking God to bless the people we encounter in our neighborhoods, cities, and the nation as we move about day to day. We're asking for His Kingdom to reign in every place we step. Join us in this *prayer exercise* and pray for your community as well. Get out and take a walk with your group. Stay together, break into teams. Try out some of the principles from the video or come up with some new ones.

1 Thessalonians 5:16

"Pray continually."

PRAYER POINTS FOR CROATIA & YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Pray with All Your H.E.A.R.T.S.

Hearts:

Pray for Receptive Hearts (Luke 8:5-15)

"Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown."

Eyes and Ears:

Pray for their Spiritual Eyes and Ears to be opened (Matt. 13:15; 2 Cor. 4:3-4)

Attitudes:

Pray for unbelievers to have and understand God's Attitude toward sin (John 16:8)

Released:

Pray for the lost to be Released from barriers and strongholds that hinder faith (2 Tim. 2:25-26)

Transforming:

Pray for unbelievers to experience a Transforming life in Christ (Rom. 12:1-2)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Sent:

Pray for Christian witnesses to be Sent to share Christ with the lost (Matt 9:35-38)

***15 Minutes- Intercession for Croatia**

Below are some of the places we're walking and praying in Croatia... the same places our neighbors are travelling. Please read the text out loud and then pause so participants can pray as God leads.

Schools & Universities

Multitudes of young people travel to and from school everyday. They spend a lot of time with peers and educators as they study. Though school can be very challenging at times, Croatia often ranks low in terms of quality of education when compared to other countries. Pray for the dedicated teachers to have the resources they need to provide a high level of education to young people here. Pray for safety and opportunities for students.

Parks

Croatia boasts many great community parks and national parks. And the people here make frequent use of them. People spend a lot of time outdoors strolling through these open spaces, walking their dogs, riding bikes, running, playing, etc. Pray that Croatians will come to know the rest and joy waiting for them in a relationship with Jesus.

Work

Croatians have a good work/life balance, but they are often underpaid and appreciated for the hard work they do. An estimated 600,000 young people have left in recent years to find better work in neighboring countries. Pray for a stable economy and better conditions for workers in Croatia. Pray that believers will be influencers and have opportunities to share their faith where they work.

Shopping

On evenings and especially weekends, shopping malls are the place to be. Croatians love the outdoors, but they might love shopping more. Materialism is becoming a more prevalent challenge along with growing debt. Pray Croatians will find true peace and contentment in Christ.

To Cafes

Meeting for coffee (kava) in local cafes (kafici) is a national treasured past time. Actually, it is way more important than that. Sharing coffee is the way news is shared, friendships are rekindled, ideas are discussed, gossip is spread, business is transacted, etc. Pray God will use the coffee culture here to provide space for meaningful spiritual conversations and seeds to be sown.

Hiking

Whether along the beautiful beaches or in the majestic mountains and hills of this country, there are plenty of great places to hike. Pray that Croatians will see the goodness of God in His glorious creation.

10 Minutes – Listening Prayer

Go for a walk. Listen to the Spirit and pray as He leads you.

- God, what specific ways do You want us to connect with the people in our neighborhoods?
- God, are there specific ways you want us to engage in the environments we find ourselves in every day?

5 Minutes- Closing

We want to hear from you. Take a moment to debrief your prayer time. Are there themes, thoughts or passages that God has laid on your heart for the people of Croatia? Take a moment to write these down as a group and give them to your small group facilitator. (Small group facilitator- please email these to your contact person in Croatia.)

** NOTE: To use this guide for 30 minutes of prayer versus 60, focus your time on the two, 15 minute sections.*