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Local Officials Call on Higher Power to Safeguard City During Pandemic Threat

Day of Prayer scheduled for April 2, 2020

Clarksdale, MS--To fortify measures already in place upon the recommendations from the CDC, Mississippi Department of Health and the Governor of Mississippi to suppress the spread of the novel coronavirus, Clarksdale-Coahoma County Officials are calling for a County-wide Day of Prayer, Thursday, April 2, 2020. City and County Residents are being asked to pause from all activity Thursday at noon as local pastors, evangelists, ministers and people of faith take to the airwaves, social media, and phone lines to lead the local community in prayer to eliminate every threat covid-19 presents to the Clarksdale-Coahoma County community, the State of Mississippi, the Nation and the World. "We are calling specifically on every citizen of this City and County and anyone else who will join us in virtual corporate prayer trusting God to ensure that we all prove to be resilient in our recovery from COVID-19." said Mayor Chuck Espy.

Firetrucks in the City of Clarksdale and Deputy Sheriffs in surrounding towns in Coahoma County will stand ready to sound sirens followed by a blast of the vehicles' horns to alert citizens to the 12:00 hour. Beginning sharply at noon on Thursday, prayer options to connect with others praying are as follows:

Dial in via conference call to:

605-475-4000, access code 745881
888-824-5783, access code 41301595

Tune in to:

WROX (97.5 FM and 1450 AM),
WCQC (91.3 FM),
KJIW (94.5 FM)

Watch Facebook Live at:

Chuck Espy
Keeping It Real w/ghinesjr

We encourage others to join with individual private prayers, additional conference calls and Facebook live posts of prayer.

Check www.cityofclarksdale.org for the most up-to-date information regarding the Day of Prayer.

This is not the first time that the City of Clarksdale has come together in prayer to respond to community issues. In April - May of Last year, the Jericho Project, which originated from the Mayor's office as a call to unite, brought hundreds of citizens from every walk of life together for a 7-day prayer walk to address issues plaguing the City.

With City- wide prayer planned again for April 17 at noon, this Day of Prayer will not be the last of Clarksdaleans convening for prayer.