

Prayers for Ukraine

Read Psalm 46.

1. Thanksgiving and Praise points from this passage:

- God alone is our refuge and our strength. He's always ready to help us in times of trouble.
- The world around us may look like chaos, but we have nothing to fear because of the strength and protection of our God!
- His voice thunders and the earth melts! The Lord of Heaven's Armies is here among us (vs 6,7)- He is our fortress!
- God will be honoured by every nation and throughout the world- vs 10- every nation, tribe, people and language group will stand before the throne and the Lamb (Rev 7).

2. Petitions:

- Vs 9- He causes wars to end throughout the earth: Pray that there will be an immediate end to this conflict in Ukraine. Pray for diplomatic solutions that will de-escalate tensions and promote a lasting stability in the region.
- Vs 9- He breaks the bow and snaps the spear; he burns the shields with fire: Pray that the machinery of war would be broken, that missiles would miss their intended targets, that tanks would break down. Pray that Russian soldiers would realize the evil of the orders they are following and that would courageously defy those orders and put down their weapons.
- Vs 1- Pray that the Ukrainian people would seek God as their refuge and strength. Pray that they would supernaturally experience his ready help in their trouble and that they would give glory to Him when their deliverance comes. Pray that their lasting trust and confidence would not be in the strength of their own army or international support but in God.
- Vs 2- Pray for those that have been traumatized by fear- as they've faced death and destruction all around them, let them experience God's peace and powerful presence in the face of injury, hopelessness and loss.
- Vs 7, 11- Pray that churches, NGO's and aid agencies meeting the physical and spiritual needs of the displaced, would be resourced well through the worldwide church's generosity as well as our prayers of support. Pray that they would be strengthened by a divine army as they turn to God as their fortress.
- Vs 10- Pray that the result of this conflict would be the repentance and turning towards God, acknowledging Him, honouring him in every nation and throughout the world that he may be glorified and his kingdom of peace would breakthrough in the midst of the brokenness.

Specific Prayer Requests from the Verhoogs:

- Pray for safety for everyone at the farm in Nikolai Pole
- Pray for Max as he gets the crops planted and runs the farm
- Pray for Oleg as he deals with providing for the students and refugees they are assisting
- Pray for provision for Alona as her baby is due at the end of June.