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# April 2025 Prayer Guide

# **ANSWERED PRAYERS**

- Praise God for the **over four hundred leaders** from over 175 organizations and churches who gathered for the For Columbus Leaders Summit last month to connect and collaborate around unifying the church of Columbus to impact our city for the gospel.
- Praise God for the launch of the <u>State of our City</u> tool to mobilize impact in Columbus for the Kingdom.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ask God to open the spiritual eyes and ears of every person in our city who is in bondage. Pray for the blood of Christ to cover homes that have been hurt by bondages. Pray for patience, forgiveness, and healing in family relationships that have been affected by addictions.
- Pray for Christ-centered ministries that lead people to Jesus' true freedom like <u>The Refuge, She has a Name, Out of Darkness, Open Doors, Her Song, Scarlet</u> <u>Hope, The Freedom Collective</u> and others. Pray for wisdom, their provision, more laborers, and effectiveness in ministry.
- Pray for our governmental leaders and those in authority to have **wisdom to best implement laws and programs that help safeguard our communities.**
- Pray for **God's heart of compassion in His church** to address addictions and to have wisdom to walk with those afflicted.
- Pray for radical conviction and repentance to those who enslave and traffic others. May there be a complete end to the demand for trafficking and drugs. Pray that drug traffickers would encounter Jesus and be radically transformed.
- Specific, measurable prayers for our city:
  - Pray for the percentage of Christians to increase faster than our general population.
  - Ask God for a dramatic decrease in addictions, mental health issues, trafficking, and crime in Columbus.
  - Ask God for every single Columbus City School to have a church or Christian nonprofit partnership.

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## Anti-Trafficking Praise Reports and Prayer Requests

### Her Song

- Since the start of January 2025, we have welcomed four new clients "Home" to Her Song. We pray these wonderful women can find healing and rest within the program.
- Each month we get to celebrate so many epic moments in the journey of our ladies from sobriety dates to new job opportunities to starting to school. This month we got to celebrate the following for our clients – a new job, starting college classes for the first time and moving up in the phases of our program.
- We had three women graduate from Her Song at our Celebration of Milestones event!
- The day-to-day work of healing can be very challenging and overwhelming, pray for our ladies as they work through their past and into the future.
- Our staff is in the weeds each day. Praying they feel seen, heard and full of grace as they work alongside our ladies!

### **Scarlet Hope**

• Pray for the transition of directors over the next couple of months and for continued relationship building at new clubs and new volunteers

### She Has a Name

• Four men came to the trauma-responsive care training which indicates that training is reaching more individuals in different spaces. Prayer for wisdom and discernment over our team.

### **The Freedom Collective**

- We've been able to assist in several law enforcement placements, have seen several steps of change at our drop-in center, and are onboarding several new volunteers.
- Praying for protection over the mission of The Freedom Collective and for discernment and wisdom and leadership in some difficult decisions.