



## A Guide for the National Day of Prayer at Village Christian School 10 minutes at the start of school – 9:30 am, May 1, 2014

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### Choose several quotes and Scriptures to read out loud:

"I have been driven many times upon my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom and that of all about me seemed insufficient for that day."

— Abraham Lincoln

"To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing."

— Martin Luther King Jr

### The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name, your kingdom come, your will be done. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." Matthew 6:9-13

Spend one minute in **silence**, letting the words of the Lord's Prayer sink in.

"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

### Options for Prayer: [choose one, two, or more for your focus]

- Pray for peace in the midst of international strife. Example: conflict in Syria, or Ukraine.
- Ask God to grant wisdom as our local and national government leaders make decisions.
- Ask that God might strengthen the witness and fellowship in our local churches.
- Petition God for physical, emotional, and spiritual vitality for our VCS families.
- Thank God for the strategic role local Christian leaders play in business, art, film, music, education, health, ministry, law, police and fire protection, engineering, manufacturing, and other fields of influence and work.
- Pray that students will thrive and grow deep in their relationship with Christ.

