

## **PRAY FIRST**

Operation Inasmuch was founded on prayer. We see God's hand reaching out to those in our communities who need Christ. Needs are met by church members who pray first and show God's love by volunteering and serving others throughout their communities. Romans 12:11

Mobilizing your church members to serve begins with an Inasmuch Day that has been covered in prayer. To get started:

- The Pastor begins by reminding the church of its mission to serve others. (Contact us for prayer-focused sermon ideas.)
- Form a Prayer Team that will commit to praying fervently over your Inasmuch event.
- The Prayer Team should continue to pray for these specific areas:
  - Participants: Protection
  - Recipients: Open Hearts
  - Financial: Budget
  - o Planning
  - o Projects
- A prayer project should be one of the first projects!
  - Mobile Prayer Team Volunteers visit different project sites to offer one-on-one prayer for those being served.
  - Prayer Walk/Drive Volunteers pray outside of schools, shelters, hospitals, government agencies, etc.

Our Inasmuch Prayer Team meets regularly to prayerfully support Inasmuch events. We encourage prayer requests from churches and personal requests, as well. Please read this message from our current Prayer Team leaders:

"Operation Inasmuch is a remarkable model for service to the under-resourced. Ephesians 2:10 tells us: "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Go be a blessing! Our team is praying for you as you serve."

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