

COMMUNITY PRAYER | *First Responders*

We want to be praying for the healthcare workers who are on the frontlines of this battle right now; heading into the field every day to do what needs to be done, even though the very act of going to work places them (& their families) at higher risk themselves.

Dear God,

We bring before you the myriad of frontline healthcare workers serving so valiantly right now.

When they need to make a tough decision, give them insight

When they need to work long hours, give them strength

When they don't have the protective equipment they need, shield them from harm

When they are short staffed and overwhelmed, bring them support

Would you comfort the comforters

Protect the protectors

Heal the healers

When exhaustion depletes them body and soul, give them rest

When fear creeps in and worry engulfs, give them courage and peace

When they feel inadequate, at home and at work, let them trust that they are enough

When the weight of responsibility feels far too heavy, remind them that you alone are God

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When they come home each day, would they be able to leave work behind

When their family is placed at greater risk, would you protect every one of them

When their kids ask tough questions, give them wisdom for how to answer

When physical isolation is necessary, would you somehow knit their hearts together all the more

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Now take a moment to pray personally (out loud or in your head) for the frontline workers you know.

God of all consolation, would you give them wisdom for their work, peace in their fear, comfort in the trauma, and faith for their families. May they know your protection and your peace in these challenging days.

Amen