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Dear Community Care Group Leader; I greet you in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Transformation: Prayer as an Agent of Transformation

Our Foundational Scripture: Daniel 6:1-28

1. Introduction:

- Prayer is the primary Agent of any meaningful Transformation
- It is the closest evidence of a life being lived in Godliness and with God.
- What Prayer is to a Christian is what Petrol is in a Car (Discuss)

2. General Observations in Dan 6: 1-28

- Daniel was a high ranking Official in the Babylonian Empire. He was Governor of one the Provinces. Discuss what you understand about his "Excellent spirit" Vs 1-3 that distinguished him despite being a Captive. Why would a man with such achievements still continue to serve God?
- There was a concerted effort to find fault in him vs 4-9. Discuss the possible reasons for this (why they had to make a decree to worship another god for 30 days).
- In what ways do you think Christians of today are being lured from Prayer? Discuss the role of Social media, TV, and other platforms if they are causing any hindrance for Christians to spend quality time with God.
- Vs 10 He went to his room, Opened his windows towards Jerusalem, Knelt down and Prayed 3 times.
Discuss the importance of
 - i) Having a set place of Prayer
 - ii) Having a set time to pray
 - iii) The role of Private and Corporate Prayers
- He was t1hrown in the Den of Lions and was not harmed. Compare this with his mockers in the same den and discuss what this means to us. Vs 16-18

3. Conclusion

1. Prayer Buys you friendship with God. Dan 6:20 and also check Abraham Prov 18:24; Gen 13:18 & Gen 18:1
2. Prayer creates strong values in a Christian Dan 11:32b; The prayer-less are weak, compromise and give up easily Dan 6:24
3. Prayer brings Healing and forgiveness of Sin. James 5-18
Effective prayer (meaning): successful in producing intended results
Fervent payer (meaning): displaying a Passionate intensity associated with Patriotism
4. Prayer brings revival. Discuss what the letter mean to us Dan 6:25-27
 - What did you learn from Sunday's message?
 - Pray for each other.