

# Proclamation

by

**Andy Beshear**  
**Governor**

of the

**Commonwealth of Kentucky**



## *To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:*

- WHEREAS, The 72<sup>nd</sup> observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2024, with the theme, "Lift Up the World-Light Up the World"; and
- WHEREAS, A National Day of Prayer has been part of our heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775, and the United States Congress in 1952 approved a Joint Resolution setting aside a day each year to pray in our nation; and
- WHEREAS, The United States Congress, by Public Law 100-307 in 1988, as amended, affirms that it is essential for us as a nation to pray, and directs the President of the United States to set aside and proclaim the first Thursday of May annually as a National Day of Prayer; and
- WHEREAS, Leaders and citizens of our nation are afforded the privilege of prayer, affirming our spiritual heritage and the principles upon which our nation was founded; and
- WHEREAS, Recognizing the love and power of God, we unite with fellow citizens to exercise the freedom we have to gather in prayer with thankfulness while seeking guidance, provision, protection, and purpose for the benefit of every individual and our state as a whole; and
- WHEREAS, We specifically thank God for those who defend our freedoms and ask for peace throughout our state, nation, and world;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2024, as

## **A DAY OF PRAYER**

in Kentucky, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Four and in the 232<sup>nd</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*Andy Beshear*  
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