

Hello EFBC Women:

On October 2nd we will be launching a **31 Day Prayer Challenge** to encourage EFBC wives to pray for their husbands. Maybe you have struggled to have a regular prayer time or are having difficulty in your marriage today or perhaps you are a prayer warrior with all the intimacy in your marriage that you could imagine; either way, we invite you to join us for this prayer challenge as we support our spouses.

When my husband, Bob and I first got married, one of the most sacred gifts I was given from a dear friend and mentor was the ["The Power of a Praying Wife"](#) by Stormy Omartian. At the onset of our marriage, I was eager to encourage, support and lift Bob up in prayer daily. I made note cards including prayers for his work, his spiritual walk, his role as a leader in our home, his physical protection, etc. I still keep this stack of notecards on my dresser to serve as a reminder to pray for him, but if I'm honest; I don't always remember to do so. I'd like to challenge myself and to invite you to join me in being intentional as we lift up our spouses in prayer.



Not married? We would still love to have you join us in praying for your future spouse or the men in your life that have impacted you? I was 43 years old when I married for the first time, and God used my singleness to shape me into the woman I am today. A significant purpose of prayer is our transformation. The more we talk and listen, the more God shapes the conversation. As we grow closer to Him, our desires shift from what we want—what we think we most need—to what He wants, which is what we actually need. His desires become our desires. So, whether married or single, I invite you to take this challenge and embark on this journey with us and watch what God will do. He asks us to pray, and He moves powerfully when we do! Join us and be amazed at how God blesses you and your relationships through it!

To take the challenge follow these simple steps: **Step 1:** [Sign up](#) by filling out the form [online](#). **Step 2:** Invite some friends to join you. **Step 3:** Check your email every day to receive the prayer prompts and reminders to pray. **Step 4:** Pray and ask God to prepare your heart for this challenge and to show you His heart for your spouse and/or future spouse. **Step 5:** Let me know if you're accepting the challenge. I'd love to be praying for you as well in this process.

Praying with great expectation,

Michelle Underwood

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"Nurturing godly relationships among women as we seek Christ together."