

## Prayer Team Schematic

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Function	Definition and Explanation of Role	Gifts and Characteristics Needed
Pray-ee	<i>The person receiving prayer ministry:</i> This person is being empowered to hear Biblical truth directly from God at their place of need.	Awareness of need. Desire for change. Willingness to be prayed for in this way.
Pray-er	<i>The person facilitating the prayer time:</i> This person is partnering with God to facilitate the pray-ee hearing directly from Him at their point of need. (This is very different from praying <i>for</i> or <i>over</i> the person.)	Ability to facilitate the process. <i>(This includes a working knowledge of the process.)</i> Good listening skills. Sufficient faith, hope, love and wisdom. Ability to communicate sincere affirmation. Basic knowledge of Biblical truth. Ability to discern truth.
Prophetic Seer	<i>This person may receive pictures (or other information) from God that reveals the point of need (or other information).</i>	Ability to keep quiet unless called on. (This person is encouraged to communicate with the pray-er by writing notes, or whispering when appropriate.) <i>Note: The more difficult the issue, the more need for this function to be done by a separate person.</i>
Knowledge of Biblical Truth	<i>This person may receive Scriptures from God that either reveal or speak to the point of need. They may also be used by God to teach Biblical truth regarding the point of need..</i>	<i>Same as Prophetic Seer.</i>
Discernment of Spirits	<i>This person may receive information from God about the spiritual dynamics involved.</i>	<i>Same as Prophetic Seer.</i>
Backup Pray-er	<i>This person may or may not be present. They may pray at the exact time of ministry and/or at other times.</i>	<i>Same as Prophetic Seer.</i>

**Goal of this ministry:** *To empower “ordinary” followers of Christ to partner with our extraordinary God to see spiritual and emotional captives set free.*

**Additional gifts and characteristics needed for all involved except the pray-ee:**

- Commitment to and ability to keep confidentiality (not tell others stories).
- Sufficient spiritual maturity.
- Moral purity. Holiness.
- Compassionate detachment: The ability to *care* about the person but not *carry* their burden. Let God carry the burdens.
- Respect for the pray-ee – they are precious to God and not a project or something to “fix”.
- Patience to let the Holy Spirit guide the process.
- Ability to respond with grace and love – not judgment.
- Working knowledge of your authority (in Christ) over the evil one.
- Humility. Giving all the glory to God.

**The more difficult the issue being prayed through, the more need for:**

- *Before the prayer time:*
  - Individual prayer
  - Prayer and fasting
  - Group prayer
- *During the prayer time:*
  - Team conferencing without the pray-ee. (Someone may stay with the pray-ee, or take turns staying with them, as needed.)
- *After the prayer time:*
  - Group prayer and debriefing.
  - Spiritual “bathing”.
  - Individual prayer.
  - Prayer for any issue that was triggered in any member of the prayer team.
- *Follow-up:*
  - Continuing prayer for any issue that was triggered in any member of the prayer team.
  - Checking on progress of pray-ee.
  - Continuing prayer for pray-ee as God leads.
  - Encouraging the pray-ee to share his/her story as appropriate.
- *In general:*
  - A healthy community.