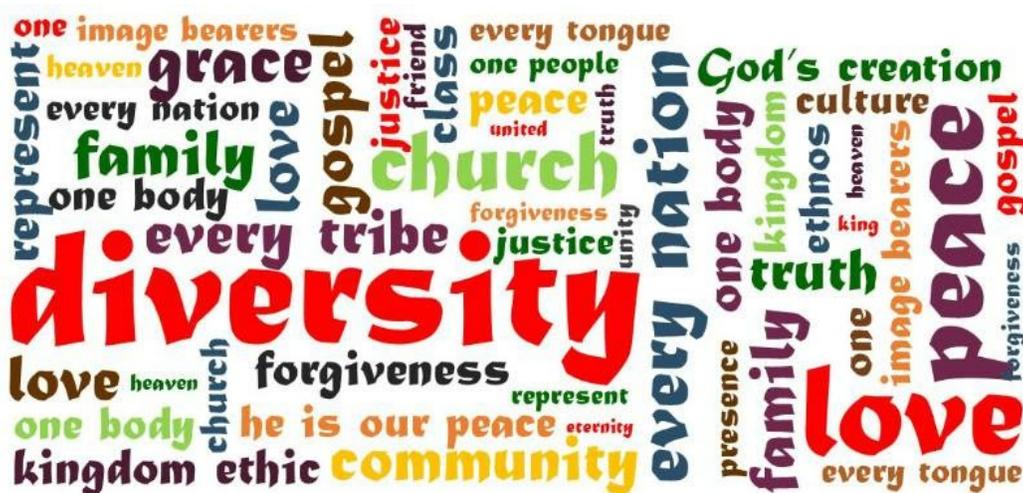


# Driving Diversity

January  
Prayer Guide



Our purpose is to help Chi Alpha & the church be an accurate representation of Christ's people to the campus in its:

**sacred creation** (Acts 17:26), **diverse ethnic makeup** (Rev. 7:9), **supernatural oneness** (Gal. 3:28), **Jesus-centered unity** (John 17:21), **kingdom-ethic witness** (Mt. 5:1-15, Luke 4:18-19) and **reconciliation ministry** (2 Cor. 5: 16-21, Eph. 2:14-22).

We do this through:

1. Mobilizing the unspent\*
2. Equipping through training and resourcing
3. Helping plant at HBCU's\*\*
4. Building bridges

\*Unspent refers to ethnic minorities traditionally under-represented in missions

\*\*Historically Black College and Universities



## Monthly HBCU Prayer Target: *Florida A & M University*

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, in Tallahassee is the largest HBCU in the nation with an enrollment of over 10,000.

Anthony and Heather Demorro, Chi Alpha leaders at Florida State, have partnered with a nearby church to reach out to FAMU. Please pray for student connections and other doors to open so they can start a group.

## Can Peace and Justice Stand Together?

The lack of an indictment in the shooting of Tamir Rice and the student protests at U of Missouri are just two of the stories that have dominated the news the past couple of months. Our country is divided over these events, but the church must stand united for peace and justice.

Peace and justice are key components of God's kingdom. Yet, in the kingdoms of this world, they often stand in opposition to each other. Instead of justice bringing peace, we neglect justice in the name of peace.

Let's pray together this month for God's kingdom to come and his will to be done for the world to see peace AND justice side by side!

Belkis and Steve Lehmann

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED STARTING A REGULAR PRAYER TIME IN YOUR CHURCH OR CHI ALPHA GROUP TO PRAY FOR ETHNIC DIVISIONS IN YOUR COMMUNITY, PEOPLE GROUPS YOUR NOT YET REACHING, AND THE BROADER PROBLEMS FACING OUR COUNTRY AND THE WORLD?**

## Answered Prayers

God is hearing your prayers. Here are some results:

- Four new missionaries approved for support from the Minority Mobilization Fund.
- Lots of connections at Salt.
- Great reports from Great Lakes African American Leadership Conference.
- More administrative help for Belkis.

## Specific Prayer Points

Please pray for the following needs:

- Lots of travel in February. Grace and safety.
- Follow-up on new opportunities.
- God's grace and help in the work.
- Ongoing situations in the news (see below)

## In the News

**Church: Dismiss Suit Over Donations That Followed Shooting**

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**Colleges Trying to Fund Ways to Deal With Racial Incidents**

[Read article](#)

**Cleveland Officer Will Not Face Charges in Tamir Race Shooting Death**

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## Resources

**Improving Race Relations: An Interview of John Perkins**

Racial justice has been a major theme in the life of John Perkins author of Let Justice Roll Down and With Justice for All. Perkins discusses justice as it relates to his own pilgrimage in Mississippi, as well as his national efforts to speak about racial justice to our nation.

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**Al Mohler and Jim Wallis: Is Social Justice an Essential Part of the Mission of the Church**

Is social justice integral to the gospel? Great points discussed in this debate.

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**Race and the Church**

Great conversation between several pastors regarding the difficult relations between African Americans and the police. This video will help give you an understanding and perspective.

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