

Vision:

The vision of the Greater Peoria House of Prayer is to give glory to Jesus in central Illinois through day and night prayer with worship.

Mission:

We will carry out our vision by progressively building more prayer gatherings with worship that continue day and night—one day becoming 24/7. We will develop relationships with area churches in order to help promote a loving, prayerful and unified expression of the Body of Christ in our region as well as carry out practical deeds of compassion (especially for the poor, needy and vulnerable). We will also operate as a training center that equips believers through conferences, internships and other focused gatherings.

Key Bible Verses:

Mark 11:17 | Then He taught, saying to them, “Is it not written, ‘My house shall be called a **house of prayer** for all nations’? But you have made it a ‘den of thieves.’” (See also: Isaiah 56:7, Matthew 21:13, Luke 19:46.)

Luke 18:1, 7 | Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart ... ⁷ And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? (See also: Acts 6:4, 1 Thessalonians 5:17.)

Short-term & Long-term Focus:

In the short-term (couple years), we will focus on establishing a staff structure, ministry cadence, connection with key local churches and support groups, etc. In the long-term (couple decades), we will focus on progressing toward 24/7 and function as a regional equipping center in intercessory prayer, theological education, worship ministry, strategic service/outreach and gospel mission.

The Global Prayer Movement:

“In 1984 the number of 24/7 houses of prayer in the world was fewer than twenty-five. Today there are more than ten thousand, and most of the growth has occurred in the last ten years. Prayer initiatives are springing up all over the globe at a staggering rate. Such momentum in prayer must be attributed not to human ingenuity but to the sovereign work of the Holy Spirit.” (‘Growing in Prayer,’ Mike Bickle (2014), p. 247.)

Current Operations:

As of today, we have prayer meetings:

- Weekdays (Monday - Friday) from **7-8 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-noon** (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) and **6-8 p.m.** (prayer with live worship); Saturday from **8-9 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-noon** and **6-8 p.m.** (prayer with live worship); and Sunday from **8-9 a.m.**
- Friday Encounter Night, our main weekly gathering, begins with live worship from **6-7 p.m.** and teaching from **7-8 p.m.** following.

Current Needs:

Our building is in need of much finishing and repair work. We have roughly 6,000 square feet of meeting space that needs either remodeled or completely refinished. We have significant sound equipment needs as well. It is my aim to be as technologically advanced and aesthetically excellent as possible for the glory of God. Current break-even operational expenses are about \$5,000 dollars per month (rent, utilities, internet, supplies, equipment, upkeep, etc.).

Cornelius Partners:

We’re seeking regular monthly support from “Cornelius Partners”—those who value prayer and have the monetary means to partner financially with what the Lord is doing here. Cornelius was a devoted man of God who worked in the military. He had a heart for prayer and was very generous with his money. His prayers and sacrificial giving were known and remembered in heaven (Acts 10:4).

Acts 10:1-2 | There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius... who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed to God always.

Headquarters:

The GPHOP is located in East Peoria, Illinois. We have an upper level prayer room, a lower level fellowship area and a few office spaces. The address is 117 East Washington Street, East Peoria, IL, 61611. **Donations** can be mailed to this address and are tax exempt. Checks can be written out to “Greater Peoria House of Prayer” or “GPHOP”—donations can also be made online at gphop.org/donate.

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