

# Canopy of Prayer

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## Dear Prayer Partners in Europe

People who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour and King are from that moment citizens of God's kingdom! In this kingdom the standards of the King, Jesus Christ, always apply. His standards are open and available to every person at any time, in and through the Bible.

But it cannot be overlooked that the divine standard has been lost, even in the church. I am deeply convinced that our condition led the Lord Jesus Christ to cause the following message to be written, translated into as many languages as possible and sent to his worldwide church. It is a call to return to the basics (standards) of a new, redeemed life as sons and daughters firstly here on earth and then forever in his kingdom.

**Please pray seriously for these 3 areas!**

## Letter to the Church

"My church is in a state of emergency!" There are three areas in which you must be awakened to true life into which I want to call you back.



**Area 1:** I have against you that you have abandoned your first love. Return to your **first love!** I call you back to this deepest of all loving relationships, through which we want to reveal ourselves to you.

"This is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent" (John 17:3). The better and more deeply you know me, the stronger and more passionate your love

will become. I knock once more on your heart's door and ask to be let in. (Rev. 3:20) Many of you let me stand outside the door. I will say it very clearly: "Whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it" (Matt. 16:25).

"Therefore, beloved, listen and get ready. Set out and return to me!"

**Area 2:** I have against you that you have turned away from **my Word**. Return to my Word. "The Word became flesh and lived for a while among us. We have seen his glory" (John 1:14). This makes it very clear that the Word cannot be separated from me. Whoever cuts himself off from the Word, cuts himself off from Me and from the Father. In my Word you read, hear and see who I am, how I am and what I do. It is an open view into My heart, My character, My being. How can you ever get to know and love Me without knowing and loving my Word? As urgently as you need Me, so you need my Word also. Many of you have the Word but do not hear and read it. Others read it but do not do what it says. Thus it becomes completely valueless and ineffective. "Turn around, set out and return to my Word."

**Area 3:** I have against you that you have separated yourself from **your roots**. Return to an understanding of your roots. "For salvation comes from **the Jews**" (John 4:22). Replacement theology says that the Jews/Israel were rejected and damned by Me and then you, the Christian church, received their place from me. This is a terrible lie and heresy. It is a tragedy that you have not only cut yourselves off from your roots, but have now become a curse for them, as well. Look at the picture of the genuine olive tree. Because of their disobedience, some of the branches of this tree have been broken off. Thanks to My mercy, you – the believers from the nations – are grafted into the genuine olive tree and now live from the same root. But at the same time I warn you not to place yourselves above them, for "You do not support the root, but the root supports you" (Rom. 11:18). I have never made a secret of my plans and purposes for them and for you. He made the two (Jews and gentiles) in Himself into one new man, in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. For through Him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit" (Eph. 2:13-18). You belong together – one family with the same Father, the God of Israel. For they are "my first-born, the apple of my eye". Therefore, beloved children, I urgently call to you: "Come, set out, turn around and return to an understanding of your roots."



## Coronavirus

More countries have now reported cases of this virus in recent days. The situation in Europe is getting more serious with implications for travel and economies. Italy has been particularly affected. We must continue to look to God for His solutions and pray that people would not become unduly fearful.

## Additional prayer points:-

1. Pray for the preparations for several big events in Europe during the Summer, like Awakening Europe in Rotterdam (NL), Love Europe in Paris and for a blessed continuation for Europe shall be saved.
2. Pray also for a smaller, but significant EUoP meeting in Zagreb from 21 - 26 of March, where Ortwin Schweitzer and Karl-Heinz Fischer will lay down their responsibilities after many years. Pray that the coronavirus will not have any negative effect on this gathering.

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