

Here's an idea.

Dear Officers of the Law,
First, we **respect** and **appreciate** you. We are **grateful** to you for your important service and **we thank God for you.** You serve us, and put your lives on the line for us. **We want to do something to serve you.**

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Call For Backup

The night Judas betrayed Jesus one of the Lord's disciples tried to defend him by striking with a sword and cutting off the ear of the servant of the High Priest. Jesus told Peter to stop, and healed the man's ear. Jesus said, ***"Don't you realize that I could ask my Father for thousands of angels to protect us, and he would send them instantly?"*** (Matthew 26:53, NLT).



Jesus could have called for backup but chose not to. As God in human form, and as a totally sinless man, his unjust death would pay the redemption price for the whole human race and provide eternal life for all who believe in him. Of course, Jesus rose from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father. Now we pray "in Jesus' name" for eternal salvation and for other marvelous answers to prayer.

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If you know other people in law enforcement who would like to have prayer partners please email their contact information to the author at EncouragementExpert@gmail.com.

My E-mail _____

My cell phone _____

My name _____

I promise to pray daily for you and your family. I'll also immediately go to prayer for you if you call on your way to any emergency situation.

We want each officer to have his or her own prayer warrior/intercessor. Let them know what you'd like prayer for. When emergencies come you could speed dial them. We won't ask questions. Just give a brief call saying, "I'm calling for prayer backup now!" Let's give it a try. "A good prayer never hurt nothing."

Here's the point—those who have believed in Christ are now IN Christ. We too can call on the Father for angelic support and God will send angels to help us. So why not call one of us for backup prayer? If you were going into danger you could speed dial a prayer warrior—someone who loves God and appreciates and loves officers of the law. That believer could instantly go to prayer for angels to be sent to protect and help you.

DOES THAT SOUND CRAZY? We think it makes sense. *What we think is crazy is the "Defund the Police" movement. We think it's crazy to hate the police!* The Bible says that the spirit of antichrist is a spirit of lawlessness (see 2 Thess. 2:3). As society moves away from the God of the Bible that lawless spirit influences many to hate the law, those who enforce it, and those who obey it. We pray for those people too. Our only real enemy is the devil who hates us all.



If you could see into the spiritual realm, you'd no doubt see many demonic spirits in, upon or hovering around the people who riot, the people who practice domestic violence, the drunks, drug addicts, and all who act to harm others. These people need Jesus. You know that evil exists, because you constantly see its results.

But of course, angels exist! Since law enforcement officers are under fire—verbally, financially and sometimes literally with bullets—they should have spiritual backup! We'd like to provide that. Of course, you can call on God in Jesus' name yourself. *We aren't intermediaries between you and God as if we are superior in spiritual status to you. Calling one of us to pray would be more like a three way call. We'd be praying for and with you.*



At the back of this message is the contact information for one intercessor who volunteers to pray for you and your family. Let them know your name and prayer requests. Put their phone on your speed dial for emergencies.

If you are called to a situation that sounds dangerous just “call for backup” and this believer will drop everything and pray for your protection. **It's a simple idea—and we think it's an idea from God who created you.**

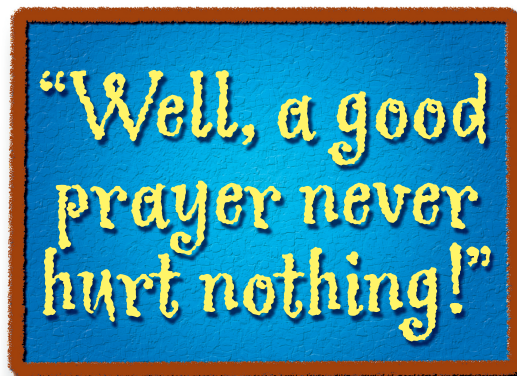
MIRACLE IN A VENEER MILL

When I was twenty-two years old (1972) I worked at a veneer mill. The man up the conveyor belt injured his wrist and was off work for two weeks without pay. He came back to work with a bandaged wrist and immediately injured his other wrist in the same way. He was trying to do his job with one hand. He told me, “I’m in a mess. If I work with only one hand I’m going to get fired. If I take two more weeks off to get this wrist treated I’m going to go broke. I’m either going to go broke or get fired.”

I thought, “Poor guy!” Just then God spoke to me! He said, “Go tell that man everything you know about divine healing.” In between the logs there was a two-minute pause. I used that time to tell him every Bible verse and story I knew about divine healing. I had no intention of praying for him. This went on for two hours and luckily (or by Divine coincidence) the foreman didn’t catch the man working with only one hand.

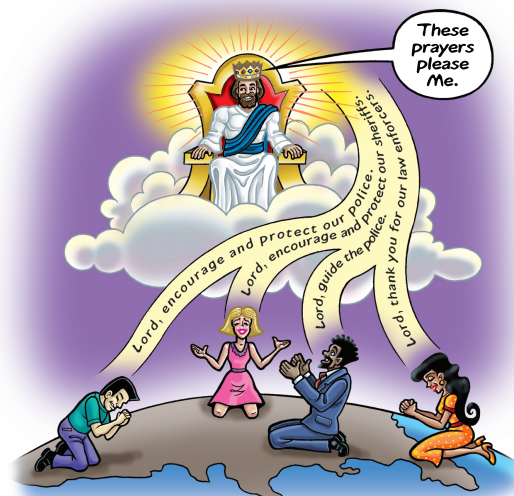
Suddenly God spoke to me again and said, “How long are you going to let that man suffer?” I knew by that God would be offended at my unbelief if I did not pray for the man’s healing, right there in the mill. I was scared, but I approached him and said, “Larry, I believe God wants me to pray for your wrist to be healed.”

He said, “Well, a good prayer never hurt nothing.”



I put my hand on his wrist and prayed, “Lord, fix this wrist in Jesus name.” Veneer was coming down the conveyor belt so that’s all I prayed. I felt no special healing anointing. I thought I had made a fool of myself. I kept my head down and didn’t look his way for two more hours. Then I peeked. He was flinging the veneer into his carts with both hands.

I then ran up to him and said, “Larry, what happened?” He said, “It’s amazing. I feel an invisible bandage on my wrist, just like the one the doctor put on this wrist. I can feel it but I can’t see it and the pain is almost totally gone. I’m amazed.” I then asked him if he’d come to church with me. He gladly agreed and that Sunday he came with me and received Christ as his savior.



I want you to think of what he said. **“WELL, A GOOD PRAYER NEVER HURT NOTHING!”** I’m also thinking about what God said way back then—“How long are you going to let that man suffer?” We Christians have been watching too long already as you law enforcement people suffer slander, defunding and violence. **It’s time for us to pray for you.**

We aren’t perfect people but our prayers will have power because we’ll be asking in Jesus’ name. God will honor the name of Jesus. It would honor us if you’d ask us for prayer. You can call before, during or after an emergency. You can ask for prayer for your family, finances, personal protection, physical healing—whatever.

We would very sincerely like to be your spiritual back up. We know that sometimes you have to use force and make instant decisions. So we’ll also pray this Biblical prayer for you, **“Now we pray to God that you will not do anything wrong”** (2 Cor. 13:7 NIV).

**Thank you again for your very important service.
We love you. God bless you.**