

PRESS RELEASE

National Day of Prayer Events Set for Thursday, May 5

ROCKWALL, TEXAS – April 14, 2016 – The City of Rockwall will host the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, May 5, 2016 from 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. at The Center in Downtown Rockwall, 108 E. Washington Street, in conjunction with the annual National Day of Prayer. Mayors from cities throughout Rockwall County will be in attendance. The theme this year is, "Wake Up America," and the speaker will be David Shibley with Global Advance.

There will be a second opportunity for the community to come together in prayer on May 5. A Community Midday Prayer event will be held at The Center from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Prayers will be offered by pastors and community leaders.

The first Continental Congress called for a National Day of Prayer in 1775, as did Abraham Lincoln in 1863. Congress established the National Day of Prayer as an annual event by joint resolution signed by President Truman in 1952. The law was amended and signed by President Reagan to officially designate the first Thursday in May as the official date. The events are not political, but rather meant to encourage people county-wide to join their neighbors in a call to pray for our nation, just as our national leaders will do in Washington D.C.

About The City of Rockwall:

The City of Rockwall, Texas is located 22 miles east of downtown Dallas, on the eastern shore of Lake Ray Hubbard. With a population of more than 41,000, Rockwall is a growing community that offers an extraordinary quality of life for its residents, as well as dynamic business opportunities.

As the county seat of Rockwall County, which is the wealthiest in Texas, Rockwall has received several accolades in recent years, including being named one of the top ten "Best Towns for Families" by *Family Circle* magazine, and "Number 1 for Job Creation in the United States," by *CNN Money* magazine. For more information about Rockwall, please visit www.rockwall.com.

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