



Another way of looking at Romans 8:28 is: “In the midst of everything that is happening, God is there, working out his good will for those who love him and are called according to his purposes.” This is important to remember, especially when reflecting on tomorrow’s election.

Let’s pray together.

Dear God and Father, we pray in the name of your son Jesus Christ, that you would be with America. There are so many things that are going wrong right now and we need for You to raise up leaders. We need those who would lead this country in ways that facilitate a good immigration policy so that we don’t end up separating children from their parents at the border. And we pray dear God, that You would help all Americans to have decent medical coverage. I’m sure that your son Jesus, who was very much the great Healer, would want our nation to be a participant with Him to bring health and healing to the people of our country.

God, we pray for peace in the world... that the United States would come to be known as a great peacemaker. We thank you for the peace that has recently been negotiated by President Trump in the Middle East with two nations that are now recognizing the legitimacy of the state of Israel to exist. Thank you for leading our President into these peace-keeping activities.

We pray for the poor of this country and thank you for Eastern University – for the way it has produced so many people, like Bryan Stevenson, who are committed to the poor and disenfranchised. Our Christian heritage was founded by people who were socially disinherited and economically oppressed. But sometimes, as we prosper, we forget the origins of our people. Remind us whom we are obligated to serve.

Lord, may we live out that vision of *the whole Gospel for the whole world*. We want to reach out with the good news of salvation through the Gospel story, but we also want to recognize that we have social responsibilities. We pray for the faculty of Eastern, that they might be close to you, Lord. Speak to them, motivate them spiritually, that they might walk into classes alive with the Holy Spirit. We pray for the students. In the midst of this virus, we pray for their health. Protect them. Watch over them. We ask for your sustaining grace.

And for all those who have been supporting the ministry of the Campolo Center, we thank you. We pray a special blessing on all of them. Bless them for being a blessing to this work of supporting the local church. Help us to keep our commitment to the vision of raising up future leaders for the Church. I thank you for Robert and Gavin who work so diligently in our office and keep things moving, even in these days when I’m not able to help. I pray for my recovery, not simply because I want to get around, but because I desire to do the work that will increase your Kingdom.

And now, I pray that the Lord blesses those who pray along with me. Bless them, keep them, cause your face to shine upon them. Give them peace and give them strength and give them your vision for the living out of these days. We ask all these things in the name of your son Jesus, Amen.