



Governors' Prayer Team



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Bio of Rev. Thomas (Tom) Walker - Founder - GOVERNORS' PRAYER TEAM

Founder of The Governors' Prayer Team. Former Director of Ground Forces for the 2005 Global Day of Prayer, US. Founder and Chairman, Indiana National Day of Prayer. Former Director of Projects, America's Prayer Team.

Tom first opened his heart to the Lord at age 11 but at 24 made the real connection that became personal. After graduating from EIT in 1987, Tom first became involved in ministry in Dramatic Arts and Media. His commitment to education in the sciences and young people was seen in his work as a FIRST Robotics Competition Leader and Mentor. He worked professionally for GE and International Paper as a Senior Project Engineer and provided exceptional leadership in TAPPI and training in Six Sigma.



Tom's involvement in ministry and prayer deepened as he accepted an appointment as Pennsylvania's Regional Coordinator for the National Day of Prayer Task Force. In 2001, market forces closed International Paper's Fine Papers Division in Pennsylvania and Tom accepted a new position in Indiana which consumed much of his free time. While in prayer he asked God "Why did you bring me here Lord, surely there is a purpose for me, a purpose other than being an engineer?"

The prayer was answered and confirmed later that day when Tom was laid-off in a downsize. Tom went after the Lord and never looked back. Within days he was appointed successor for the National Day of Prayer Task Force's Indiana State Coordinator. Tom founded and now chairs the Indiana National Day of Prayer Inc. which reaches out and ministers to the leaders of Indiana and particularly the Indiana Legislature. Later Tom was brought on board by Mr. David Butts and Dr. Cornell Haan as Director of Projects for America's Prayer Team. During that start-up Tom was released to work on other local projects (development of the Governors' Prayer Team in Indiana) and continue his work of developing bible studies for the leaders at the States Capital and in Washington DC.

During this time a dream of fulfilling God's vision for a unique new ministry tool was realized. Tom shared the lessons that God allowed him to experience while starting his ministry during an unexpected phone call with David Jahnke, past-president of ChurchForce. The conversation was a divine appointment. Tom spoke of simple needs like a means of fostering an online community of intercessors and supporters for his ministry, website, repeatable online donation encouragement with 501 C3 receipting. A relationship and ministry were both born on that day that has become a significant blessing and component of the Governors' Prayer Team which has grown out of Indiana into many states, counties and cities.

Tom has been a guest on dozens of radio shows; local, regional and Global TV shows like LeSEA's "The Harvest Show" and his prayer projects written up a number of widely distributed Christian and secular news and business papers and periodicals. Tom says, "God has challenged this shy and introverted broken clay pot of a man to communicate to the world His passion to commune with His children in prayer and to encourage them to drop their nets at the shore... and follow Him."



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Bio of David Jahnke - Executive Director - GOVERNORS PRAYER TEAM

Founder and president - *Outer Court Ministries*, a ministry to encourage and establish para-ministry projects and activities. David is also the Co-founder and Director - *One Accord Ministry*. A ministry to serve prayer-centric ministries globally. He serves as a Director - *Prayer Canada*, a ministry creating a nationwide effort to gather together committed Christians dedicated to the Lord Jesus Christ who pray in their local city hall and/or legislature. A co-founder and former president of **Church Force, Inc.**



Some of his recent projects and accomplishments are:

Lead inventor and developer of the *Ministry Support System*, an internet-based software system used to connect and enable prayer-centric ministries globally. Used to power *The Governors Prayer Team*, the *World Prayer Ministry Project* and *Your Own Ministry*.

Co-developer of the *World Prayer Ministry project*, a global outreach effort to establish and equip ministries to coordinate their internal prayer efforts and encourage teamwork between ministries regionally with a focus on community transformation.

Co-developer of the *Your Own Ministry project*.

Co-developer of the *Net Ministry* website platform now used by over 1000 churches and ministries worldwide.

While president of *Church Force, Inc.*, David collaborated the Christian Jobs Online project which is currently owned and operated as part of the *Salem Web Network*.

Prior to 2001 David's professional life was spent working with corporations in primarily an account executive, business development or technical support role. Primary positions included being an account manager with *Host Pro*, the world's largest provider of internet web hosting services to small and medium sized business.

David was an account executive with *Superior-SDC Computer Services* providing technical, managerial and executive level recruiting services for major corporations and .com startups throughout the Seattle area.

David was the winner of the insurance industries Presidents Cabinet award in 1993 while working with *Ozark National Life* and NIS Financial Services in their Colorado operations and his background includes 16 years of providing technical services to Fortune 500 corporations and state and federal level contracts beginning in 1985 with employers *Perkin Elmer*, *Concurrent Computer Corp.* and *Trident Computer Resources*.

David loves the Lord, his beautiful wife Anna and adopted son, Isaac and they live in western Washington state.