

Montgomery County Prayer Breakfast

National Day of Prayer | May 5, 2016

“Seeking the peace and prosperity of the city.”

**Where: F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre (Lower Level Social Hall),
603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville, MD 20851**

**When: National Day of Prayer, May 5, 2016 | 6:30 to 8:00 AM
(Program starts at 6:50 AM)**

Cost: Free, RSVP REQUIRED: <https://mocoprayerbreakfast.eventbrite.com>



Keynote address: HUGH WHELCHEL



Hugh Whelchel is **Executive Director of the Institute for Faith, Work & Economics**

(www.tifwe.org) and author of *How Then Should We Work?: Rediscovering the Biblical*

Doctrine of Work. Hugh has a Master of Arts in Religion and brings over 30 years of diverse business experience to his leadership at IFWE.

This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: “Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper” ([Jeremiah 29:4-7](#)).

The key phrase in this short passage from the book of Jeremiah is “seek the peace and prosperity of the city.” The word used for *peace* is the Hebrew word *shalom*, which has a far more comprehensive meaning than the English word *peace*. In his book, “*Not the Way It’s Supposed to Be*”, Cornelius Plantinga explains *shalom* as:

...the webbing together of God, humans, and all creation in justice, fulfillment, and delight...Shalom means universal flourishing, wholeness and delight—a rich state of affairs in which natural needs are satisfied and natural gifts fruitfully employed, a state of affairs that inspires joyful wonder as its Creator and Savior opens doors and welcomes the creatures in whom he delights. Shalom, in other words, is the way things ought to be.

As follower’s of Jesus, we are called to pray for the shalom of Rockville and Montgomery County and to help ‘reweave’ shalom into our homes, workplaces, and communities by being Christ’s ambassadors. In order to accomplish this, we must understand the creator’s original objective in creation, which was to bring glory to himself. One of the ways we do this is by joining in the work of restoring God’s creation, because by doing so we bring him glory.

Please join us to pray for our community, families, public servants, business and non-profit leaders!

Luke 10:2 And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Location:

Located in Rockville Civic Center Park, the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre is in the heart of Rockville, just blocks off Route 28. The theatre is one mile from Rockville Metro station, and free parking lots are available.



For Direction see:

<https://goo.gl/maps/VWs39JchtAM2>

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Agenda: (Tentative)

6:30-6:45 Registration and Breakfast

6:50-7:00 Welcome and Introductions

7:00-7:05 Opening Prayer

- 7:05-7:10 Prayer for our community and families.
- 7:10-7:15 Prayer for our government leaders and public sector employees.
- 7:15-7:20 Prayer for our business community and leaders.

7:25-7:55 Keynote Address: "Seeking the peace and prosperity of the city." (Hugh Welchel, IFWE)

8:00 Closing Prayer

8:00-8:30 AM networking at tables



1 Timothy 2:1-4 ESV – *First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.*