

Dear Friends and Intercessors,

Thank you for downloading the Turning the Tide brochure from Children of Destiny. Your prayers are important! Therefore, we hope you will consider joining us during the month of April in a corporate concert of prayer to turn the tide of autism and its devastating affects on individuals, families, and society. The pages below provide information and the calendar that all participants will be using throughout the month.

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For further information on the Turning the Tide! prayer thrust, please visit:

[www.childrenofdestiny.org/turning\\_the\\_tide.asp](http://www.childrenofdestiny.org/turning_the_tide.asp)

If you are able to join in the prayer thrust by praying the prayers on the calendar each day, please let us know by visiting the above site and registering as an intercessor and receive free updates via email throughout the month of April.

With many blessings and great expectancy,

Jack and Rebecca Sytsema  
Children of Destiny

SINCE THE EARLY '90s, AUTISM, which was once considered to be a rare disease, exploded within the human population. With each passing year greater numbers of innocent children are diagnosed. The epidemic has grown to a staggering 1 in every 150 births. Today, as you read this, it is conservatively estimated that over 100 children will be



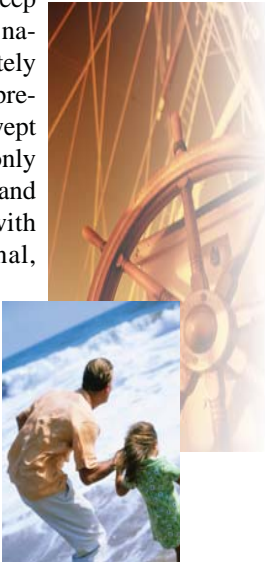
diagnosed with autism worldwide.

Medical establishments, educational systems, and governmental structures have been overwhelmed as wave after wave of autism diagnoses keep pounding the shores of many nations. But no one is as completely engulfed as the family whose precious child – or children – are swept away by autism. They deal not only with the devastating behavioral and social dysfunction, but also with financial, medical, educational, spiritual, and relational issues affecting the whole family.

We at Children of Destiny believe that now is the time to join together in corporate prayer to see the relentless tide of autism turned back once and for all! The Bible says that God “heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds” (Ps. 147:3). Another passage promises that, “the earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and wonderful results” (Jas 5:16). We believe that the power of our prayers are greatly increased as we join corporately to beseech the Lord.

On the back of this brochure you will find a calendar giving each day’s topic, Scripture references, and a prayer focus for everyone joining us in this thrust. We encourage those who are praying to use this calendar and to visit our web site each day in April for a more complete list of Scriptures and detailed prayer points, and registering for the official count and email updates.

We hope you join with us and thousands from around the world as we come to God in a unified concert of prayer to see the tide of autism turned!



# YOUR PRAYERS ARE IMPORTANT FOR TURNING THE TIDE!



FOR MORE INFORMATION, TO SEE A COMPLETE LIST OF SCRIPTURES AND PRAYER POINTS, OR TO SIGN UP FOR SPECIAL PRAYER ALERT EMAILS DURING APRIL, PLEASE VISIT:  
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CHILDREN OF DESTINY is a non-profit Christian organization dedicated to ministering God’s hope, life, and restoration to families struggling with autism or related disorders, free of charge. For more information on the ministry, what we offer, or the founders, Jack and Rebecca Sytsema, please visit our web site at:

[WWW.CHILDRENOFDESTINY.ORG](http://WWW.CHILDRENOFDESTINY.ORG)

For information on autism, autism awareness, or resources, please visit [UnlockingAutism.org](http://UnlockingAutism.org). If your child has recently been diagnosed with autism, please call Unlocking Autism’s National Call Center at 1-866-366-3631. For the latest in medical treatments, please visit [ICDRC.org](http://ICDRC.org).

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## TURNING THE TIDE!

### A PRAYER THRUST FOR AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

### APRIL, 2009



## APRIL, 2009 TURNING THE TIDE PRAYER CALENDAR



SUNDAY: GOVERNMENT AND AWARENESS	MONDAY: SPIRITUAL ISSUES	TUESDAY: MEDICAL ISSUES	WEDNESDAY: INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM	THURSDAY: TURN THE TIDE!	FRIDAY: FAMILIES AFFECTED BY AUTISM	SATURDAY: EDUCATION ISSUES
			<p><b>1 HEALING FOR BROKEN BODIES</b> Jer 30:17; 1 Pet 2:24</p> <p>Pray that God's miraculous healing power will bring health to those suffering from the many effects of autism.</p>	<p><b>2 GOD'S POWER TO TURN THE TIDE</b> Eph 3:20; Mt 21:21-22</p> <p>Pray that we would see the evidence of God's authority over autism in individuals and a complete end to this epidemic.</p>	<p><b>3 PARENTS AND MARRIAGES</b> Phil 4:13; Eccl 4:9-12</p> <p>Pray for the parents of children with autism, that they will have hope and wisdom, and that their marriages be protected.</p>	<p><b>4 TEACHERS, AIDES, AND THERAPISTS</b> 2 Chr 15:7; 1 Cor 15:58</p> <p>Pray that those who teach and provide therapy will feel successful and rewarded by the Lord for their efforts.</p>
<p><b>5 LAWS AND LEGAL SYSTEMS</b> Is 33:22; Prov 21:30</p> <p>Pray that the Lord's heart toward the weak would be reflected in the laws written to protect those with autism.</p>	<p><b>6 CHURCHES AND AUTISM</b> Is 58:10; 2 Cor 1:3-5</p> <p>Pray that churches will recognize the unmet needs of autism families and pursue practical ways of ministering to them.</p>	<p><b>7 MEDICAL ANSWERS</b> Prov 2:1-8; Matt 17:20</p> <p>Pray that the Lord would grant divine insight to researchers as they seek medical answers to the mysteries of autism.</p>	<p><b>8 HEALING FOR BROKEN HEARTS</b> Isa 61:1; Ps 34:18</p> <p>Pray that those suffering from autism would experience God's tangible healing of their broken hearts.</p>	<p><b>9 OUR AUTHORITY TO TURN THE TIDE</b> Jn 14:11-14; Lk 10:19</p> <p>Pray that we in the Body of Christ would understand the power we have in prayer and would use it to defeat autism.</p>	<p><b>10 HOPE FOR THE SIBLINGS</b> Is 54:13; Ps 139:17-18</p> <p>Pray that siblings of those affected by autism would not feel overlooked or unheard. Ask God to give them new hope.</p>	<p><b>11 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS</b> Prov 24:32; Ps 32:8</p> <p>Pray that those who develop and refine programs for autism would have deep insight and wisdom from God.</p>
<p><b>12 JUSTICE AND TRUTH</b> Ps 58:11; Zech 8:16-17</p> <p>Pray that the God of justice and truth will help those who have been treated unfairly or illegally will be vindicated.</p>	<p><b>13 HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD</b> Ps 32:8; Job 36:22</p> <p>Pray that those with autism will hear God's voice in their hearts, regardless of disabilities to communicate with others.</p>	<p><b>14 INSURANCE AND EXPENSES</b> Prov 8:35; Phil 4:19</p> <p>Pray that autism families will have favor with insurance companies and that the Lord will provide needed finances.</p>	<p><b>15 GOD'S SAFETY AND PROTECTION</b> Ps 91:11-13; 2 Thes 3:3</p> <p>Pray that the Lord would set a special wall of protection and safety around these vulnerable children and adults.</p>	<p><b>16 FIGHTING TO TURN THE TIDE</b> 2 Cor 10:3-6; Ps 60:12</p> <p>Pray that God's people would rise up in prayer over autism in order to see the tide turned and afflicted people set free.</p>	<p><b>17 FAMILY AND FRIENDS</b> Prov 17:17; 1 Tim 5:4</p> <p>Pray that family members and friends would be touched by the many needs and offer help and support as they are able.</p>	<p><b>18 FUNDING FOR EDUCATION</b> Ps 41:1-3; Matt 7:7-8</p> <p>Pray that those who make funding decisions will have the mind of God as they seek to allocate funds for special ed.</p>
<p><b>19 GOVERNMENT AGENCIES</b> 1 Tm 2:1-2; Ex 23:1</p> <p>Pray that godly people of integrity will come into power in government agencies in order to bring justice and truth.</p>	<p><b>20 UNDERSTANDING AMONG BELIEVERS</b> Luke 6:36; 1 John 3:18</p> <p>Pray that fellow Christian believers will seek to both understand and reach out to families struggling with autism.</p>	<p><b>21 VACCINE INJURY AND AUTISM</b> Ps 12:5; John 8:32</p> <p>Pray that the complete truth about the role of vaccines in autism will be fully exposed and definitive to all.</p>	<p><b>22 PROPER CARE, NO MATTER WHERE</b> Ps 121:6-8; Isa 43:2</p> <p>Ask God to ensure that in every setting these children enter they may have "proper care, no matter where."</p>	<p><b>23 FASTING TO TURN THE TIDE</b> Is 58:6; Joel 1:14</p> <p>Fasting is a powerful tool of prayer. Consider fasting in some way today as you pray that the tide will turn and autism end.*</p>	<p><b>24 WISDOM AND PROVISION</b> James 1:5-8; Ps 1:3</p> <p>Pray for God's wisdom and His provision to be flowing in the lives of families who are affected by autism.</p>	<p><b>25 SCHOOLS AND ADMINISTRATORS</b> 1 Thes 5:14; Matt 5:7</p> <p>Pray that those who make decisions about school programs and placements would truly be led by the Lord.</p>
<p><b>26 ADVOCACY IN PLACES OF POWER</b> Prov 19:12; Dan 1:9</p> <p>Pray for God's favor on those who are voices for the autism community and that they would be heard in places of power.</p>	<p><b>27 GOD'S HOPE FOR THE FUTURE</b> Jer 29:11-12; Heb 10:23</p> <p>Give praise to God for His wonderful promises of hope for the future. Thank Him that he <i>will do</i> all He has promised!</p>	<p><b>28 WISDOM FOR PRACTITIONERS</b> Prov 24:3-4; James 1:5</p> <p>Pray that practitioners who treat persons with autism would have great wisdom, understanding, and creativity.</p>	<p><b>29 CHILDREN OF DESTINY</b> Phil 1:6; Rom 8:37-39</p> <p>Pray that those struggling with autism would know who they are in Christ despite their current challenges.</p>	<p><b>30 PRAISING GOD! THE TIDE WILL TURN!</b> 2 Cor 1:20; Is 46:11</p> <p>Praise God that He will fulfill every one of His promises, and that we will live to see Him turn the tide of autism for good.</p>		

This calendar is a daily synopsis of the Turning the Tide Prayer Thrust. If you would like more detailed Scripture references and specific prayer points, please visit our web site at [www.childrenofdestiny.org/turning\\_the\\_tide.asp](http://www.childrenofdestiny.org/turning_the_tide.asp). \*For more information on fasting and the International Day of Prayer and Fasting for Autism, please visit [ASDPrayandFast.com](http://ASDPrayandFast.com).