



# A prayer for our POLICE FORCE



**P** is for Protection

God, keep our officers safe. Build a hedge of protection around them. Go behind and before them and keep Your hand upon them, guarding them against troubles of all kinds. Thwart the plans of anyone who would seek to do them harm. Teach them to take refuge in You. *Psalm 31:1-5, 20; Psalm 139:5*

**O** is for Objectivity

Lord, grant our officers an extra measure of wisdom and discernment. Help them pay attention, see clearly, think rationally, and judge rightly. Keep them alert to danger and safeguard them against deception. *Proverbs 2:6-7; Proverbs 3:21; Proverbs 14:8; 2 Timothy 4:5; 1 Peter 5:8*

**L** is for Longevity

Grant our officers a long, productive life, Lord, both in terms of time on this earth and years of service on the police force. May they do their work heartily, as serving You rather than man. Strengthen, uphold, and use them to accomplish Your will. *Proverbs 3:1-2; Proverbs 9:11; Colossians 3:23, Isaiah 41:10*

**I** is for Integrity

Bless us with police officers who walk in integrity, O Lord. Instill in them a deep longing for justice and fortify them against every corrupting influence. Guard them against duplicity and moral compromise. *Proverbs 28:6; Proverbs 11:3; Proverbs 13:6; Isaiah 1:17; 1 Peter 2:14*

**C** is for Courage

God, give our officers courage in the face of danger. Make them bold and decisive. Teach them to overcome their fears by trusting wholly in You. And help them to do the right thing, even when they do not feel very brave doing it. *2 Chronicles 15:7; 2 Timothy 1:7; Joshua 1:9; Psalm 27:14; James 4:17*

**E** is for Endurance

Father, give our officers patient endurance. Let them not lose heart in doing good. Renew their strength, that they might run and not grow weary or walk and not faint. Give them fortitude and staying power, and teach them to cast all their cares upon You. *2 Thessalonians 3:13; Isaiah 40:29-31; Galatians 6:9; Matthew 11:28*