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A Day Of Prayer For The World

(NAPSA)—Hundreds of thousands of people will join in a sacred and united partnership of prayer during an interfaith event, which is open to people of all faiths and all walks of life. The event, the 10th annual World Day of Prayer, takes place September 11, 2003.

This year's World Day of Prayer theme is "Let Go and Let God." The special prayer that is being used to help focus people's minds and hearts is: "Centered in Your presence, dear God, I let go of every concern and my soul awakens to new blessings of Your love and grace."

World Day of Prayer is traditionally held on the second Thursday of September. It is a worldwide prayer vigil to raise the spiritual awareness of human kind through a united expression of faith.

To learn more about the World Day of Prayer and to submit names of family members or friends who will benefit from the power of prayer, visit www.world dayofprayer.org/pr.

"This prayerful event gives everyone an opportunity to become spiritually centered and to support one another during challenging times. We know the extraordinary power that can be generated by many people holding the same positive thoughts in prayer. And we believe this can change the world," said Tom Zender, president of Unity.

World Day of Prayer was first held in 1994. It is organized by Unity and its non-denominational prayer ministry, Silent Unity, World Dayof Prayer unity*

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based at Unity Village, Missouri, near Kansas City. Millions have been the focus of prayer during special World Day of Prayer vigils held each year at many of the nearly 900 Unity churches and centers around the world. Last year, the names of an estimated 1.3 million people were honored during the prayer vigil at Silent Unity in Missouri.

Unity is a worldwide movement of prayer, education, and publishing that helps people of all faiths apply positive spiritual principles in their daily lives.

Unity was founded in 1889. It is best known for *Daily Word*, a monthly magazine of inspirational messages that is distributed to about one million people in 175 countries. Silent Unity maintains a 24-hour prayer vigil every day of the year and receives more than two million letters and telephone calls for prayer annually. Anyone in need of prayer support may call 800-669-7729 or 816-969-2000.