

BUILDING BRIDGES/ CIVICS ACTIVITIES:

DAY 3, PART 1- It begins with Prayer:

Let's pray for our JUDICIAL SYSTEM and its judges, attorneys, and public servants at all levels.

"The Lord is righteous and He loves justice; the upright will see his face." (Psalms 11:7)

"When justice is done, it brings joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers." (Proverbs 21:15)

"This is what the Lord Almighty said, 'Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another.'" (Zechariah 7:9)

"Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favoritism to the great, but judge your neighbor fairly." (Leviticus 19:15)

Father, in the Name of Jesus we pray, knowing that justice is important to You! We pray for the Judicial System in our nation and particularly the Supreme Court Justices of both Michigan and the United States.

Father, we pray that You raise up judges after Your own heart who will stand against ungodliness and injustice, uphold Your righteous laws, and defend and protect the Constitution of the United States. Divinely enable our judges with wisdom and insight to set a standard of justice and balance for the judicial office, not only on a national level, but for every adjudicator at every level in our nation.

On behalf of this nation, we repent for promoting unjust judges who rule according to personal opinion instead of moral truth. Forgive us for allowing corruption and injustice to preside within our courts.

Father, we also pray that all ungodly laws will be reversed or removed, and ungodly agendas be completely defeated. Father, by Your justice, we ask that You expose all corruption and inequity in our judicial system. Remove any court judge or justice who attempts to corrupt our system of justice and replace him /her with one who honors Your Word and Laws... In Jesus' name, Amen.

DAY 3, PART 2- Taking Action:

1. **Explore this website** to learn more about our Michigan court system, specifically the Supreme Court:
<https://courts.michigan.gov/courts/michigansupremecourt/about-supreme-court/pages/default.aspx>
<https://courts.michigan.gov/education/learning-center/educator-resources/curriculum/>

2. **"Meet" our current Michigan Supreme Court Justices** here:
<https://courts.michigan.gov/courts/michigansupremecourt/justices/pages/default.aspx>

Check here to see how you can contact and connect with courts of various levels and locations around the state: <https://courts.michigan.gov/self-help/directories/pages/trial-court-directory.aspx>

And here to connect more with our federal court system:

<https://www.uscourts.gov/about-federal-courts/federal-courts-public/court-website-links>

3. **Write letters and send them to 'Build a Bridge'** with one of the justices of our Supreme Court or a judge or justice at some other level in the judicial system. Write to let them know you're praying for them and grateful for their service. Feel free to share something you learned about the judicial system during Homeschool Freedom Week and ask any questions you might have.