











#### JANET JACKSON, JAMIE FOXX, ERIC DANE & HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON

CALL SHEET June 18, 2025

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Welcome to our 2nd HPN June, 2025 CALL SHEET, where faith meets the frontlines of entertainment through the power of PRAYER!!

We are praying for Hollywood and the people who shape culture through film, television, music, fashion, gaming, social media and beyond. As believers we don't just consume culture, we impact it. That's why we're so grateful that YOU are a part of this growing movement of creatives and intercessors, who believe God is at work in the global entertainment industry!

As we celebrated Father's Day this past Sunday, we honored the faithful, present fathers in our HPN community. But we also recognize that for many in Hollywood and across our culture, Father's Day can surface wounds, dark memories, or complicated stories. The longing for a father's love is one of the most repeated themes in film and television. As believers, we know that this longing ultimately points to our Heavenly Father; the One who never leaves us, always sees us, and calls us His own. Let's pray for the intimate experience of God as Father to the fatherless in every corner of the entertainment industry!

Together, we pray, create, and believe that Hollywood can be transformed by the God of the universe!

Don't forget to scroll all the way through this newsletter, where we have exciting news in our FEATURES section. But first, let's get into this week's praises and prayer requests! LET'S PRAY!

#### **Praises**



#### DEVON FRANKLIN IS A TV ACADEMY VP

The Television Academy has chosen their new Board of Governors and HPN member and friend DeVon Franklin has been voted in as Vice President. We're excited for DeVon and ask that you pray for his effectiveness in leadership and divine favor as he builds professional relationships and impacts policy in this powerful organization.

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#### JANET JACKSON SHARES HER HEART

Janet Jackson shared her gratitude for her faith and country during her Icon Award acceptance speech at the 2025 American Music Awards. We are thankful for her boldness to give God the credit and to speak humbly about her life.



**WATCH HERE!** 



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#### **JAMIE FOXX THANKS GOD**

We are moved by Jamie Foxx's appearance at the BET Awards, where he expressed heartfelt gratitude to his daughter and gave glory to God for saving his life. After surviving a near-fatal brain aneurysm and stroke, Foxx shared that he knew he had been brought back to life by God. Artists are often modern-day prophets, creative truth-tellers with the power to move culture and point people toward the greater good. We give thanks for those who boldly acknowledge God in public spaces and continue to pray for the countless others still searching for hope, healing, and truth.

Requests

As the Rose Bowl hosts six matches of the FIFA Club World Cup this month, fans and players are facing intense heat and constant pressure from international media sources. Creative performances and cultural celebrations are also part of the festivities, drawing thousands from around the world. Join us in praying for the safety, strength, and heart of every player, attendee, and artist involved, as well as for the ministries serving the games this week and next. May this event reflect not only athletic excellence and cultural unity, but also spark community, spiritual conversations, and divine creativity!



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## BOX OFFICE HIT HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON

The Dreamworks animated feature film *How To Train Your Dragon* is a huge success at the box office and is bringing families into movie theatres all over the world. With a story about fatherhood, sonship and identity, it was the perfect Father's Day Weekend family film! Let's thank God for the surge of theatre goers and pray for more producers, writers and directors to want to make great family films and TV shows. We should not judge the entertainment being produced. We should pray for the hearts of the people creating that entertainment!

#### JOHN BRENKUS DIED BY SUICIDE

The death of John Brenkus, News Anchor and host & co-creator of ESPN's *Sport Science* was announced on June 1, 2025, through his company Brinx.TV's social media. In the statement it said John "had been battling depression" and that he "lost his fight with this terrible illness." Let's pray for John's family and friends and for so many other professionals in Hollywood who cover up their mental illnesses with a public image – sometimes until it's too late. The suicide rate of Hollywood professionals has been rising and we know that only the healing, hope and unconditional love of Jesus can save so many people's relationships, careers and lives!



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# CALIFORNIA'S TAX INCENTIVES FOR TV & FILM PRODUCTION

Please pray for the state of our industry in California. After many decades of high taxes and costs to shoot



films and TV shows in California, our state has lost most of its production to Canada, Europe and other "right to work" states in the US. Realizing the gravity of the situation, our state government is proposing new and bigger film tax credits and incentives to bring production back. But we need to pray that it will actually happen, and sooner, rather than later. And let's pray that families won't keep needing to move to other states to keep

working in our industry. One producer said, as he was planning to move out of state, that "LA is the new Detroit". May the Lord supply for the thousands of professionals who can't get work in their hometown.

#### **READ MORE HERE!**

#### **ERIC DANE HAS ALS**

Actor Eric Dane, star of *Grey's Anatomy* and *Euphoria*, opens up about his recent ALS diagnosis. Eric speaks out, with tears, about his disease, the anger he experiences as he battles symptoms, and the pain of leaving his children. Let's pray for Eric to make the most of the time he has, and for his wife Rebecca Gayheart and their two daughters. Let's also pray that Eric meets Jesus on his journey ahead, and even for full healing, if the Lord so chooses!



READ MORE HERE!

We thank you so much for praying with us and for us this week. We are in the midst of new summer blockbusters, TV shows, music releases, and video games. Keep praying with us as we influence the world with our entertainment and prayers! Your prayers make an eternal difference!

With love to you all, Karen, Kelry, Myesha and Melody

#### Quote

"Sex in France is a comedy; in England it is a tragedy; in America it's a melodrama; in Italy it's an opera; in Germany, a reason to take up philosophy"

— Anonymous

#### Scripture

Listen, my radiant one If you ever lose sight of me, just follow in my
footsteps where I lead my lovers. Come with
your burdens and cares. Come to the place
near the sanctuary of my shepherds.

Song of Songs 1:8 TPT

Weekly HPN Devotional: REST

The word rest is used throughout scripture to show God's love, peace and comfort. God is very strong and very clear on wanting us to have a day of rest. He commands us to observe the Sabbath and He even tells us that His Holy Spirit rests on us. How good are you at resting?

Karen Covell



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#### Feature Presentations

## JUNE KIDS AND TEENS PRAYER CALENDAR

How to use the K+T Prayer Calendar: Download it and print it off, or email to your kids, teachers, Youth Pastors and friends. Put it somewhere (like on the fridge or in your child's school planner) where you and your child can see it and PRAY THROUGH IT together each night. Then, watch your child's prayer life GROW!



This WONDERFUL MONTHLY RESOURCE is created by Sarah Sumpolec; a mother, teacher, author, and creative, who makes these every month! Email her a thank you or a question at <a href="mailto:sarahs@hpnemail.org">sarahs@hpnemail.org</a>!

# Faith and Film Speed Networking Friday, June 20th @ 7PM

Join us for a powerful night of connection at the Faith in Film Speed Networking Night, hosted by MoDa Studios in Venice, CA and proudly sponsored by Hollywood Prayer Network and Entertainment Professional Social – A westside HPN community group.

This intimate event brings together filmmakers, actors, writers, and creatives of faith for intentional, one-on-one networking rounds with handpicked entertainment professionals.



REGISTER HERE!



FREE MID-YEAR Career Strategy Seminar for ALL Creatives –

**SUNDAY, June 22, 2025,** 2PM-4:30PM PST — VIA ZOOM.

Unparalleled Master Coaching Class in Strategy & Networking – Proven, effective tools to Take on the Rest of 2025 with confidence and gusto! This is for creatives in and out of the entertainment industry, in front of and behind the camera who are looking to get the **next level**, **transition** into a new area, **reinvent** themselves or **resurrect** their careers, businsses, projects, ideas or events. RSVP Required

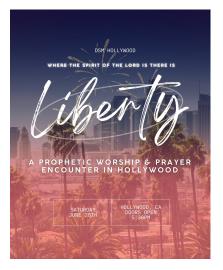
#### **REGISTER HERE!**

# THE 2025 CANADIAN SELAH MUSIC AWARDS (CSMA): A CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE IN CHRISTIAN MUSIC!

The Canadian Selah Music Awards (CSMA) celebrate and recognize outstanding achievements in the Canadian and International Christian music industry. Mark your calendars for June 27, 2025, as the Martha Cohen Theatre at Arts Commons in Calgary, Alberta hosts this extraordinary evening of celebration!



### GET TICKETS HERE!



# LIBERTY: A Prophetic Worship & Prayer Encounter in Hollywood

Saturday, June 28 at 6:00 PM

DSM Hollywood invites you to LIBERTY, a prophetic worship and prayer night designed for those who are hungry for the manifest presence of Jesus and a deep, personal move of the Holy Spirit. This is not just another worship night—it's a divine appointment for all who want to celebrate freedom!

As we approach the 4th of July, we're gathering to celebrate the true liberty found not in a nation, but in the Kingdom of God—a freedom to worship, to pray, to receive prophetic impartation, and to encounter the living God without fear or limitation

REGISTER TO JOIN!

Where Were You, Premiers at the 28th Annual Dances With Films Film Festival!

A Film by HPN Members, Phillip and Leah Abraham

When two small-town artists cross paths in a cemetery, their mutual hunger for meaning inspires them to leave their broken hearts behind and move to Los Angeles, unbeknownst to each other.



WHEN: Saturday, June 28, 2025. WHERE: The TCL

Chinese 6 Theaters

6801 Hollywood Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90028. **TIME**: 5:00PM showtime (arrive early) The movie's runtime is about an hour and a half, with a 15-minute Q&A at the end.

GET TICKETS
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#### \*\*PAID RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY\*

Lisa Vermillion is building an entertainment platform, and her company is currently conducting user research to better understand the processes, tools, and needs of creatives in the industry. They are organizing 60-minute research sessions via Zoom in the coming weeks to gather insights from a diverse range of creators across various creative fields.



Those interested in participating are invited to complete a short questionnaire. If selected, participants will be contacted via email to schedule a session. Please note that completing the survey does not guarantee selection for a paid research session. Selected participants will receive a \$40 Amazon gift card as a thank you for their time.

MORE INFO HERE!



#### Step Right Up Kids Camp

Summer fun for your kids: Hosted by First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood

Kid's Camp is a week-long morning program for kids ages 4-12 that will meet from 9:00am-12:30pm during the week of July 14-18th. The theme this year is Step Right Up! The cost will be \$50 per child for the week. This will cover lunches and supplies.

#### Hard Faith Film Festival

July 17-19, 2025

#### Description:

Hard Faith Fest returns for its third year, celebrating authentic Christian storytelling through film. Join us for a three-day event featuring screenings, workshops, and panels that delve into the complexities of faith and the human experience. Experience a community that values meaningful storytelling and Christian faith.



MORE INFO HERE!

#### Location:

Eastwood Performing Arts Center 1089 N Oxford Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90029



□ "Celebration Tribes - A Daily Practice.
 A Weekly Connection. A Spirit Reset."
 □ July 13 thru August 24, 2025

Discover God's glimmers in the ordinary! Reimagine Church will host Celebration Tribes, a 6-week small group experience rooted in the book Reset Your Life:

Celebrate from the Heart. Each day, you'll engage in a simple spiritual practice—rooted in Scripture, reflection, and creative celebration activations. The weekly Celebration Tribes will be your safe sanctuary: a place to share your daily journey and cheer each other on as you build a daily rhythm with the God of Feasts through daily sacred celebration. In an industry that's constantly on the go, Celebration Tribes invite you to pause, reflect, and reset—with sacred celebration and people who get it. There's a seat for you at the table. Let's celebrate the journey together! Starts week of July 13 thru August 24, 2025. Email Myrna for more info!

**EMAIL FOR MORE INFO!** 

#### We Need More Intercessors!

One of HPN's greatest goals is to see every Christian media professional in Hollywood covered in prayer — and you can be part of making that happen. Through our One-to-One Prayer Partnerships, we match committed intercessors with Christian industry professionals. As an



intercessor, you'll pray for a specific individual working in entertainment, offering spiritual support and encouragement right where it's needed most to your own Media Missionary!

We need more intercessors now to meet the growing number of professionals seeking prayer! (Men are paired with men, and women with women.)

<u>LINK HERE</u> to sign up as an Intercessor. Be a part of what God is doing in Hollywood — one prayer at a time.

SIGN UP HERE!



#### Join our STUDIO PRAYER WALKS!!

If you are interested in participating in an HPN studio prayer walk, please register using the link below. We have small groups walk some studio lots and pray for the people, the projects, and the specific issues on those lots. Join us as we get the unique privilege of blessing the land on the lots of the world's major film studios.

SIGN UP HERE!

## Upcoming Films and Books by HPN MEMBERS

Here is a list of faith-based movies, books and projects that have recently come out or are coming out soon and we want to let you know about them! HPN does not endorse any films, but we do want to support our creative friends and let our members know about what's happening both in the secular and faith-based entertainment worlds, including TV, music, video games, internet content, and even books and journalism. CHECK THESE OUT...



CHECK OUT THIS LIST!

Would you like to play a pivotal role in shaping Hollywood's future?
Partner with the Hollywood Prayer Network and invest in a movement of faith, transformation, and revival in the entertainment industry.

<u>LEARN MORE HERE</u>



# Don't Miss Out!! Download the HPN APP NOW to RSVP for events, join a vocational group, and to donate!

We love being a NET that WORKS! Our APP is growing, so don't miss the latest community events, with the EASIEST WAY to RSVP and share events with friends through text or social media. You can also add your event to

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our APP calendar! Email us the details, and we will post it for FREE! But you have to get the APP! There is SO MUCH to discover! Apply for your prayer partner, join a community group, and more!

### HPN EVENTS CALENDAR

### **JUNE 2025**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 Friday Prayer Calls 12pm PT on ZOOM	7 Community Groups Mixer
8	9	10 Upside Down Comedy 7PM	11	12	13 Friday Prayer Calls 12pm PT on ZOOM	14 KWA Group Screenwriters
Father's Day	16	17 Upside Down Comedy 7PM Inbetweeners Animation Gathering 7PM	18	HPN MONTHLY MEETUPS 11 AM	20 Friday Prayer Calls 12pm PT on ZOOM	21
22	23	24 Upside Down Comedy 7pm	25 Documentary Filmmakers Zoom 12:00 PM/ PST 3:00 PM EST	26	27 Friday Prayer Calls 12pm PT on ZOOM	28 Prologue Writer's Group 1:00-3:00 PM
29	30					

SEE ALL HPN COMMUNITY GROUPS and EMAIL TO JOIN

# Events See All Local Events - HPN EVENTS CALENDAR

Support our Community by Attending or Praying for these Events!

HPN Weekly Friday Global Prayer Call Fridays | 12 - 1 p.m. Pacific | ZOOM or Phone

Join us for a powerful hour of praise and prayer for our industry, where HPN members call in from around the globe and pray for the industry and each other. Links are updated weekly, so please email us to get the latest.

SIGN UP TO JOIN THE CALL>>

#### **HPN Upside Down Comedy**

Every Tuesday Night | 7:00pm | IN PERSON

Join our community group of Christian comedians, comedy writers, and humorists that are meeting every Tuesday night of the month at 7pm at First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood Campus! Learn more by following Upside Down Comedy on <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a> or email <a href="jen@hpnemail.org">jen@hpnemail.org</a>

#### KWA - Kingdom Writer's Association: Hollywood Chapter for Screenwriters Monthly 2nd Saturdays | 1:00pm-3:00pm | IN PERSON

The Hollywood Chapter of Kingdom Writer's Association is a prayer gathering for Screenwriters and is led by Anthony and Kaylah Cantu. **KWA meets EVERY MONTH on the 2nd Saturday at 1pm at the Library on the FPCH campus.** 

**Contact Anthony Cantu** 

#### **InBetweeners Animators Gathering**

### Monthly 3rd Tuesdays | 6:30pm -9:30pm | IN PERSON

Inbetweeners Animators group will meet IN PERSON with leader Sam Vest! Join your fellow animators and other professionals in animation, for a night of prayer, sharing, and community building!

**Email Inbetweeners To Attend!** 

#### **HPN Meetups**

### Monthly on 2nd OR 3rd Thursdays | 11:00am | IN PERSON

These gatherings are for people who are NEW to HPN, the industry, or LA! This is a great time to meet Karen and Kelry, have a light breakfast, share your story, and get prayer! If you have attended previous meetups, we now CHALLENGE you to INVITE A NEW FRIEND when you visit us again so that the community is

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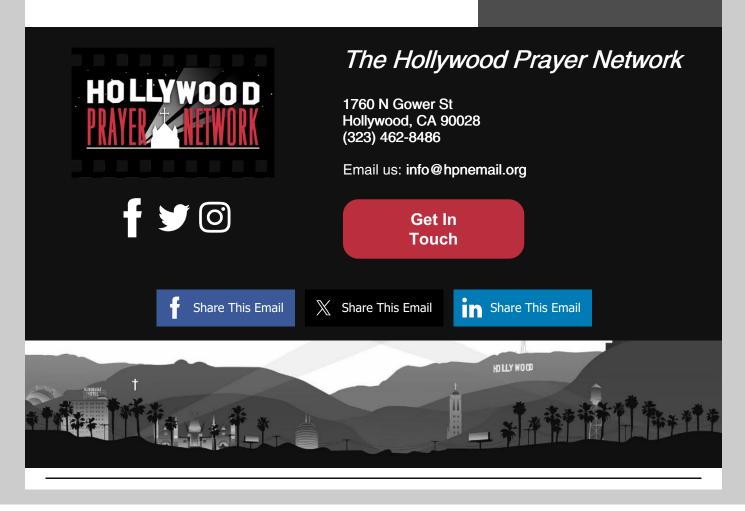
#### **Prologue Writers Gathering**

Monthly 4th | 1:00pm - 3:00 pm | IN PERSON
This Community group is for ALL WRITERS - poets, fiction, non-fiction and graphic novelists! Led by Rebecca Russell, this group will bring prayer, fellowship, and readings of works from members of the group! Connect today via email at prologue@hpnemail.org

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