

*Remarks for the
Mission Mississippi Prayer Breakfast
May 9, 2002*

Good morning. It is a pleasure to welcome you all to the Governor's Mansion for this Prayer Breakfast.

Prayer comes in many forms. It can be done with a crowd, or in the solitude of a quiet room. It can be done in a church, on a walk, or in a Governor's Mansion.

It is our way of sharing our hopes, our fears, and our frustrations with God.

Last week, during the Prayer Rally at the Capitol, we prayed as one for our state, nation and world. Today, we pray again for and about many things – but I hope we will all share a simple prayer in our hearts for peace in our world and hope for our state.

Satchel Paige once commented that you shouldn't "pray when it rains if you don't pray when the sun shines."

Prayer is a powerful part of my life, rain or shine. I appreciate the role of prayer here today, and thank Mission Mississippi for the great work it does every day – rain or shine.

May God bless our time together here, and may God bless our great state.