

Thank you for your interest in our prayer ministry counseling services. We are SO glad you have reached out to us, and we look forward to working with you!

Please read the attached paperwork carefully as it outlines our service and payment information. It also contains some pages that - should you decide to move forward - you will need to fill out and send back to us. The information we receive back from you helps us to understand what your need is and if we are a good fit for you!

Once we've reviewed those completed documents, you'll receive a lengthier Life History Form along with a few other important documents we'll need you to fill out and return to us.

Prayer ministry counseling sessions are available at our offices located in Rathdrum, Idaho. As we do not offer onsite accommodations, clients are responsible for their own lodging and transportation (the attached information packet contains lodging suggestions). If you are not able to travel, we offer prayer ministry counseling via Zoom!

Our intensive-week model of prayer ministry consists of a total of 12 hours; four days in a row, for three hours each day. As we are closed on Fridays, these sessions only take place Monday through Thursday. Generally, sessions are held in the mornings from 9am-noon or during the afternoons from 1pm-4pm.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to call or email. We would love to help in any way we can!

Warmest regards,

Elijah House



You have the right to know

Prayer Ministry Counseling Information, Disclosure, and Agreement

Prayer Ministry Counseling Model

Elijah House prayer ministry counseling was founded through the pioneering work of John and Paula Sandford. It is pastoral in nature, based on scriptural principles, and led by the Holy Spirit. Prayer ministry counselors look for root causes—what Elijah House refers to as “bitter roots” – that contribute to sinful patterns, broken relationships, and other kinds of “bad fruit.” The prayer ministry counselor leads a session recipient in prayer, bringing roots of bitterness to the cross, which stops their negative effect. The prayer ministry counselor’s role in the healing process is to facilitate what Holy Spirit wants to accomplish.

Elijah House Ministries is non-denominational and provides services to persons from all denominations. We are not a church, nor are we an in-house or in-patient facility. We address all personal issues except those that are genetic, stem from brain damage, or require live-in treatment. Sessions offered are typically one-on-one, however, **an intern may be present in an observation/prayer support capacity** (see *Intern Training Program* below).

We Are Not a Crisis Center

We do not provide prayer ministry counseling for those in immediate crisis situations. We are not a crisis-care center and we do not provide supervised or overnight care for mental illness, drug/alcohol addictions, suicide, or other immediate crisis-care situations. In such cases, contact your local hospitals, drug/alcohol rehabilitation centers, or crisis centers.

Childcare

Childcare is not provided. Please ensure that you have childcare available while meeting with your prayer ministry counselor.

Assurance Deposit

We require a \$300 non-refundable deposit to hold a date for your intensive-week session. This deposit must be received no later than two weeks prior to your appointment (or immediately, if your appointment is scheduled less than two weeks out).

Donations for Prayer Ministry Counseling

Suggested donation for a week-intensive prayer ministry counseling session is US\$985. You can pay the full amount when you make your non-refundable deposit OR we do offer payment plans. We accept Visa, Master Card, Discover, American Express, check, money order, or cash. Please make checks payable to “Elijah House” and note “Prayer Ministry Counseling” including your appointment date on the lower left memo line. All amounts must be in U.S. funds.

Is My Donation Tax-Deductible?

According to IRS law, a tax deduction can be obtained on what you give *beyond fair market value* of service received. The fair market value of an Elijah House one week-intensive prayer ministry counseling session is \$985. The IRS further states that a tax deduction receipt can only be written for donations of US\$250 or more. A tax-deductible receipt will be made available to you if your donation is US\$250 or more above the fair market value of the service you receive.

Insurance

Because Elijah House provides Christian ministry based upon Scripture and prayer to our Heavenly Father, and not that of a licensed clinical psychologist or psychiatrist, insurance company plans typically do not include coverage for our services. Elijah House prayer ministry counseling staff are not licensed by the state, nor are they clinical psychologists or psychiatrists. Contact your insurance agent to inquire about what your coverage with them allows.

Intern Training Program

Our Internship Training Program plays an important role in Elijah House's mandate to equip others for the ministry of restoring and transforming individuals and families. Therefore, an intern(s) may be a part of your prayer ministry counseling sessions and may participate in ministry alongside your prayer ministry counselor. Please be assured that our interns are required to adhere to the same strict policy of confidentiality that our prayer ministry counselors do.

Satisfaction or Non-Satisfaction with Ministry Rendered

Prayer ministry counseling provides an opportunity for heart healing. Elijah House makes no promise or guarantee relative to your personal satisfaction regarding the outcome of such counseling. As with any type of ministry, there is no guarantee as to what your response will be to the healing process. While there is risk of pain in all forms of counseling, we believe in the value of prayer ministry counseling in preventing patterns of hurt from continuing in your life. However, you have the prerogative to stop your session of prayer ministry counseling at any time, or for any reason. Elijah House reserves the right to discontinue a prayer ministry counseling session at any time, and/or to refer a client to another ministry or professional where necessary.

Permission, Confidentiality, Duty to Report

I hereby give permission to my Elijah House prayer ministry counselor to consult, as necessary, with other members of the Elijah House prayer ministry counseling staff and/or executive management team. It is with this understanding that I, the undersigned, enter into this ministry relationship and assume the responsibilities as set forth in the document above. I understand that my right to confidentiality will be respected. I also understand that no information will be disclosed outside the prayer ministry counseling staff and/or executive management of Elijah House, except in situations where it is required by law to report to the appropriate authorities:

- 1) Physical or sexual abuse of a child still under the age of eighteen.
- 2) Imminent danger of physical harm to oneself or others.
- 3) Imminent danger of suicide.

I have fully read and agree to the above RIGHT TO
KNOW document

Signature

Date

Parent or legal guardian (if a minor):

Parent's or legal guardian's signature

Date

Please sign above, make a copy for your records, and return to info@elijahhouse.org or the address listed below.



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Prayer Ministry Pre-Scheduling Questionnaire

SECTION ONE: General Information

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Where did you hear about Elijah House?

What weeks are you available? (Give at least 2 options.) _____

Do you prefer to receive your ministry at Elijah House in person, or connect via video call?

In person ____ Zoom ____

Briefly describe the issues you would like to deal with in your session at Elijah House:

SECTION TWO: Diagnoses History

Elijah House's goal is to provide you with the best care and ministry possible. Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability:

A. Depression: Have you ever been diagnosed with any of the following? ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Depressive Disorder ☐ Depression Date of diagnosis: _____

We have found that heart healing can be quite effective in treating depression. However, when depression is severe enough that daily functioning is seriously compromised, responding to a prayer ministry counselor can become too difficult. Please answer the following questions:

Are you currently experiencing symptoms? Yes___ No___

If no, how long has it been since you last experienced symptoms?

If yes, briefly describe, and indicate the frequency and intensity, and how it currently affects your daily functioning.

Are you on anti-depressive medications? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, has your doctor or psychiatrist agreed that you are ready to undergo counseling?
Yes___ No___

B. Psychosis: Have you ever been diagnosed with any of the following? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Psychotic Disorders: ☐ Schizophrenia (type: _____) ☐ Bi-Polar
☐ Other _____ Date of diagnosis: _____

While psychosis is rooted in a compromised brain structure and/or chemistry, heart healing issues can be a contributing factor, causing stresses that can trigger psychotic episodes. If brain chemistry is consistently stable enough, heart healing may reduce such inner stresses. But if brain chemistry is too fragile, and psychotic episodes are typically severe, exploring emotional issues may trigger episodes that can endanger you; you may find yourself far from home without family support and in need of hospitalization. The following questions will help us discern whether prayer ministry counseling would be both safe and advantageous for you at this time:

Are you currently experiencing psychotic episodes? Yes___ No___

If no, how long has it been since you last experienced an episode?

If yes, briefly describe and indicate the frequency and intensity of episodes, and how they currently affect your daily functioning: _____

Are you on anti-psychotic (or other) medications? Yes ____ No ____

Please list them: _____

If you have discontinued the use of medications within the past six months, have you done this with the consent of your doctor/therapist/psychiatrist? Yes ____ No ____

Has your doctor/therapist/psychiatrist agreed that your symptoms are consistently stable enough for you to undergo prayer counseling? Yes ____ No ____

C. Borderline: Have you ever been diagnosed with any of the following? ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Borderline Personality Disorder Date of diagnosis: _____

Borderline Personality Disorder can involve sudden and volatile mood changes. We want to make sure that you are able to handle the stresses that can be triggered by doing inner healing with a new person in an unfamiliar place.

Are you on anti-depressive or anxiety medications? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, has your doctor or psychiatrist agreed that you are ready to undergo counseling?
Yes ____ No ____

D. D.I.D.: Have you ever been diagnosed with any of the following? ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Dissociative Identity Disorder (D.I.D.) and/or Satanic Ritual Abuse (S.R.A.)

Do you know of any D.I.D or S.R.A. in your life/history? Yes ____ No ____

If so, please explain: _____

E. If you suffer from any of the issues mentioned thus far, please answer the following questions:

Are you presently seeing a counselor? Yes___ No___

What type of counselor (inner healing counselor, pastor, state-licensed counselor, psychologist, psychiatrist, etc.)? _____

Have you seen, or will you see, this counselor for at least 3 visits prior to your time of ministry at Elijah House? Yes ___ No___

Will you be scheduling continuing appointments with this person when you return home?
Yes ___ No___

NOTE: If you have any of the aforementioned diagnoses, and/or are presently under the care of a doctor/therapist/psychiatrist, please have him/her send a signed note that he/she agrees that your symptoms are consistently stable enough for you to safely undergo prayer ministry counseling at this time.

F. Do you currently deal with chemical addiction? Yes ☐ No ☐

Chemical addictions: ☐ Alcohol ☐ Drugs (type:_____)

Are you clean and sober? Yes___ No___

If yes, how long have you been clean and sober? _____

Are you currently in a 12-step group? Yes___ No___

Are you under any other type of accountability? Describe: _____

G. Do you currently deal with burnout? Yes ☐ No ☐

Usually, burnout is not a major hindrance to the prayer ministry process. However, we have noticed that a person whose exhaustion level is particularly extreme may no longer possess the objectivity to judge how able he/she is to track with a prayer minister. If you are in burnout, ask your pastor or other close friends or associates (persons who know you well) to assess whether you have enough energy to undergo prayer ministry at this time. If it is agreed that you do not, ask them to help you assess how long a period of rest and recuperation you will need before scheduling sessions with us.

H. Notes**NOTE regarding O.C.D. (Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder*):**

*Includes subsets of O.C.D. [scrupulosity (the religious version of O.C.D.), hoarding, trichotillomania (compulsive hair-plucking), etc.]

Though O.C.D. can come out of issues related to unhealed places in our heart, there is usually some type of brain malfunction involved. In some cases, heart healing ministry may remove enough stressors so that the brain is less easily triggered to engage in O.C.D. behaviors. In other cases, however, the brain may not be capable of responding to heart healing ministry. Therefore, it is not advisable to come to Elijah House if O.C.D. is the *only* issue you need help with.

NOTE regarding physical illness:

Although physical illness is sometimes caused or influenced by issues related to unhealed places in our heart, it is often simply the result of living in a fallen world. Therefore, it is not advisable to come to Elijah House if physical illness is the *only* issue you need help with. However, as we work with other issues for which you need prayer ministry counseling, your physical illness might be helped in the process.

To the best of my knowledge, the information I have provided in this document is true and accurate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Parental Consent Form

I confirm that I, _____, am the parent/legal guardian of
_____. I consent for the above child to receive Prayer
Ministry Counseling by Elijah House Ministries.

It is the policy of Elijah House that the parent/legal guardian of a minor under the age of 18
make themselves available during the minor child's scheduled prayer ministry session times.

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____

Contact Details

Name of child: _____

Address: _____

Parent/legal guardian phone number: _____

NOTE: AN INTERNET CONNECTION AND AN EMAIL ADDRESS IS REQUIRED TO SEND FORM,
IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS YOU CAN EMAIL DIRECTLY TO INFO@ELIJAHHOUSE.ORG