



Praying the Headlines

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful in what it can achieve." —James 5:16





Let us pray.





Hear my prayer, O Lord; listen to my cry for mercy. In the day of my trouble I will call to you, for you will answer me.

Psalm 86:6-7





Loving, faithful God, there is none like you; forgive us for putting our faith in anyone or anything except you. You alone are God. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.





We pray for the world.



'Please, I can't breathe'

4 Mpls. cops fired over choking death that came after suspect's pleas

White officer knelt on black man's neck in unauthorized use of force







George Floyd

By LIBOR JANY libor janyiistartribune.com

Four Minneapolis police officers were fired Tuesday after the detention and death of 47-year-old George Floyd—a scene that unfolded in a Facebook video showing a white officer kneeling on Floyd's neck as he pleaded with police, "I can't breathe."

Floyd died at Hennepin County Medical Center soon after the encounter, which started when police detained him Monday evening on suspicion of trying to pass a fake \$20 bill at a convenience store.

The FBI launched an investigation Tuesday, as the Minneapolis Police Department fired the officer as well as three others who were at the scene. The quick action didn't prevent a large protest Tuesday evening that included tense confrontations with police, who responded with tear gas.

"Being black in America should not be a death sentence," said a visibly shaken Mayor lacob Frey who said the



AJC TOP STORY: CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

THE PANDEMIC'S COST

U.S. DEATH TOLL PASSES 100,000

Experts: COVID-19 likely killed far more never tested for it.

From news services

Just over four months after the government confirmed the first known case, more than 100,000 people who had the coronavirus have died in the United States.

The death toll is far higher than in any other nation in the world.

The toll exceeds the number of U.S. military combat fatalities in every conflict since the Korean War. It matches the toll in the United States of the 1968 flu pandemic, and it is approaching the 116,000 killed in another flu outbreak a decade before that.

In Georgia, 44,638 cases and

1,933 deaths have been reported as Wednesday evening.

The pandemic is on track to be the country's deadliest public health disaster since the 1918 flu pandemic, in which about 675,000 Americans died.

"It's a striking reminder of how dangerous this virus can be," said Josh Michaud, associate director of global health policy with the Kaiser Family Foundation in Washington.

Worldwide, the virus has infected more than 5.6 million people and killed over 350,000, according to a tally by Johns Hopkins University. Europe has recorded about 170,000 deaths.

The true death toll from the virus, which emerged in China late last year and was first reported in the U.S. in

Toll continued on A10

UNITEDSTATES

As of 6:48 p.m. Wednesday

1,704,300

100,243

GEORGIA

As of 7 p.m. Wednesday

CONFIRMED CASES
44,638

1,933

For more, go to AJC.com/cyupdate

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Newspaper headlines: 'One million pupils stay home' as schools open and rules ease

By BBC News Staff

① 1 June 2020





The easing of lockdown restrictions in England and the return of some children return to primary school feature in Monday's papers.





We pray for the Church.







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(RNS) - They're best known for their post-hurricane disaster relief efforts ripping up homes damaged by floodwaters and rehabilitating them from the studs.





We pray for the helpers.



Why some police officers stood with protesters outraged over George Floyd's death

"We can't impose our will on a community."

By Alexandra Svokos

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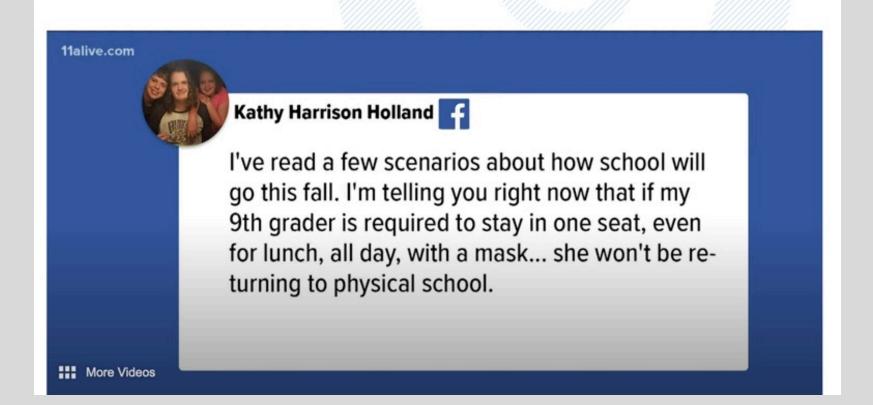
Catch up on the developing stories making headlines.

As <u>images</u> of police officers in riot <u>gear</u> clashing with protesters in response to the death of George Floyd proliferated from across the country, a very different theme emerged from several cities.



Georgia Dept. of Education releases guidelines for K-12 schools to reopen

Document is blueprint, but not set of requirements, for reopening grade schools safely following COVID-19 pandemic.











We pray for our community.



NATIONAL NEWS

GRAPHIC: Convulsing in protest, US cities brace for more unrest



GRAPHIC: Protests, unrest across the US



By Ashraf Khalil, Aaron Morrison, and Jim Vertuno | June 1, 2020 at 6:04 AM EDT - Updated June 1 at 11:42 AM



WASHINGTON (AP) — A country convulsed by violent protests picked up the pieces Monday morning and braced for the possibility of more trouble amid a coast-to-coast outpouring of rage over police killings of black people.



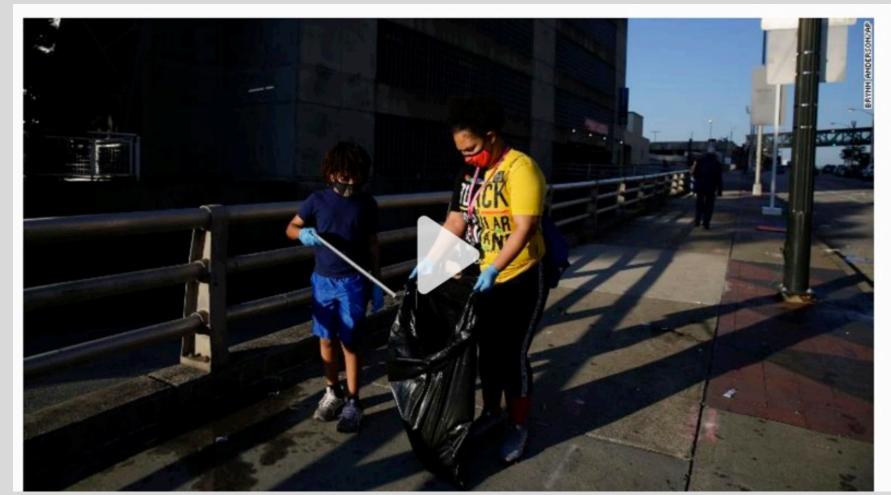


Shoppers have seen the costs of meat, eggs and even potatoes soar as the coronavirus has disrupted processing plants and distribution networks. CHARLIE NEIBERGALL/AP

Food price increase is most in 46 years

Prices likely to stay high; panic buying, reduced capacity blamed





Volunteers clean up Atlanta after night of protests

Newsroom

People and churches have volunteered to clean up following a night of violent protests in Atlanta.

CNN's Natasha Chen speaks to some of the volunteers cleaning up the city. Source: CNN







We now invite you to offer your personal prayer requests to the Lord.





Faithful God, you have promised your people power, through the Holy Spirit; you have called us to be your witnesses in our neighborhoods and to the ends of the earth. May we, through the power of Jesus at work in us, be found faithful as your people, today and forevermore. Amen.



Go in peace.





"Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good, because his faithful love endures forever."

—*Psalm 107:1*



