WHEREAS, the World today, in time of peace, is in greater need than ever before of spiritual guidance and help from the Almighty, and
WHEREAS, this great need can be satisfied through an earnest turning to God in prayer, and
WHEREAS, there is a need that the wisdom of God be given to our world leaders as they gather in Paris for the General Assembly of the United Nations, September 21, 1948, now

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, do hereby call on all citizens and Churches of this State to devote five minutes at the close of the last service in each Church on Sunday morning, September 19, 1948, to the ringing of Church bells and chimes as a call to prayer to all who believe in God; that in churches where worshippers are gathered silent and audible prayer be made for world leaders soon to gather in Paris and for the peoples of the world that the will for peace and cooperation may be stronger in us all.

Given under my hand and seal this 27th day of August in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor