

He gave generously to those in need
and prayed to God regularly.

—Acts 10:2

1 WEDNESDAY (Race Relations) *Black History Month*—We remember the contributions of persons of Black African heritage who have had a positive impact on our lives. *Lord, help us to understand that Black history includes all of us. May the day come when the stories of Black people are so widely taught that a Black history month is no longer needed. Help us to make a better world possible by speaking up for the oppressed and working tirelessly to ensure that no one is excluded from your table. We have a stained history; we need cleansing, Lord. Cleanse us from unrighteousness.*

2 THURSDAY (Resonate Global Mission) *Ontario*—Give thanks for a family who found a faith community at The Table, a Resonate partner church plant in Ontario. Anna and Jason discovered the love of Christ through The Table's hospitality. Please pray for this family as they continue to grow as disciples.

3 FRIDAY (World Renew) *Disaster response*—Disaster Response Services is responding in the United States to the aftermath of Hurricane Ian in Florida and to flooding damage in Whatcom County, Washington. Pray for these projects and for all of our volunteers. Pray also for the Salvation Army and for Undercurrent youth services in the Maritime Provinces whose ongoing work to assist people affected by Hurricane Fiona is supported by World Renew Canada.

4 SATURDAY (ReFrame Ministries) *Japan*—Kaori, a listener in Japan, says that as Japan faces population decline and aging, her family is concerned that their family line will die out. She was encouraged by the story of Ruth and Naomi, however, which she heard on our "Let's Open the Bible" audio program. Pray that more people in Japan will open their hearts to God's Word.

5 SUNDAY (Calvin Theological Seminary) *New semester*—Our spring semester began on January 30. Pray for our faculty and for our distance, residential, and international students as they begin new courses. Pray for deep learning as God continues to shape students for ministry.

6 MONDAY (Resonate) *Colorado*—Give thanks for G'awna, who found hope after connecting with Jesus on Colfax, a Resonate partner ministry in Colorado. G'awna is now giving back and serving with Jesus on Colfax. Please pray for her and her children as she continues to use her gifts in ministry.

7 TUESDAY (Raise Up: TLT) *Training*—Over the past several months, Timothy Leadership Training (TLT) coordinators and their spouses in seven French-speaking countries in Africa held three-day retreats for spiritual refreshment, planning, and

fellowship. Thank God for the healing and strengthening of family relationships during the retreats, and pray for renewed passion and abundant resources to carry out church leadership training in the coming days.

8 WEDNESDAY (ReFrame) *Egypt*—ReFrame's partners in Egypt recently selected Rev. Youssef Adel Hanna to lead our Arabic media ministry. "Please thank God with us," said Kurt Selles, ReFrame director, "and pray for Rev. Youssef and all who are involved as we move forward in proclaiming the good news in Arabic."

9 THURSDAY (World Renew) *Sustainability*—Have you heard of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals? These 17 objectives "recognize that ending poverty and other deprivations must go hand-in-hand with strategies that improve health and education, reduce inequality, and spur economic growth—all while tackling climate change and working to preserve our oceans and forests." Your gifts to the World Renew Gift Catalog this year helped us to address some of these goals. Visit sdgs.un.org and pray for the completion of these goals.

10 FRIDAY (Resonate) *Ukraine*—Please continue to pray for an end to the war in Ukraine. "Pray that Russia will return to the path of peace," ask Resonate missionaries Steve and Chris Van Zanen, who serve at LCC International University in Lithuania. They minister with many students from Russia and Ukraine.

11 SATURDAY (Chaplaincy and Care) *Training*—Several of our chaplains serve as or are training to become certified supervisor-educators. Please pray for wisdom and energy as they seek to provide spiritual care to patients and as they arrange for, teach, and supervise the training of many other chaplains and psychospiritual therapists.

12 SUNDAY (Disability Concerns) *Belonging*—Many people with disabilities and their church disability advocates are weary. Too often, when they ask for an accommodation or make a suggestion, they are dismissed or told that it isn't a priority for the church. Pray that church leaders will be receptive, learn, and act so that people with disabilities will experience belonging in churches.

13 MONDAY (Indigenous Family Centre) *Strength and safety*—Please pray that the Indigenous Family Centre (IFC) may continue to be a safe place for people to gather for cultural activities and to find healing. Pray that staff may keep up their strength in serving community members, and pray that community members may have moments of joy in their lives

and comfort in their griefs. Give thanks with us for the support IFC receives.

14 TUESDAY (Resonate) *Central Asia*—Pray for the spread of the good news of Jesus in a Muslim-majority country in Central Asia. “Our team continues sharing the gospel with new people we meet,” say Resonate missionaries.

15 WEDNESDAY (ReFrame) *North America*—Pray for Guia, who became a Christian and joined a church about five years ago. “My church does not have a youth program for my 14-year-old daughter, and I feel confused and lost,” Guia said. Pray for wisdom as she discerns next steps for her and her daughter’s growing faith.

16 THURSDAY (Safe Church) *Positive change*—Praise God that many churches and institutions are addressing how to ensure that people in positions of trust use their power for flourishing. Please ask God to raise up men and women to initiate incremental change that leads us on paths of righteousness, heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

17 FRIDAY (World Renew) *Volunteer leaders*—We’re grateful for the many volunteers who lead World Renew from across the United States and Canada, as well as in each of our program countries and through our ministry partners. When we work to support programs with local partners, we also work to build their capacity. Praise God for every volunteer who gives of their time and gifts to help lead these organizations, and pray that they may be filled with wisdom.

18 SATURDAY (Resonate) *Mexico*—Resonate missionaries James and Barbarita Lee, serving in Mexico, ask you to pray that Christian students will accept God’s call to spread the gospel on their university campuses. “There are more than 200,000 university students, and only one percent are Christians,” said the Lees.

19 SUNDAY (Pastor Church Resources) *Pastors*—Pastors have received a wonderful calling from God, and as a result they experience many blessings. However, their job isn’t always easy. Please pray for your pastor on a regular basis. Pray for strength, wisdom, patience, health, good relationships, refreshment, and God’s continuous leading in his/her life.

20 MONDAY (ReFrame) *India*—The village of a man named Manoj is surrounded by forests and mountains, so it takes hours to travel there from the nearest city. Still, he and about 30 participants from similar parts of India traveled to attend a training for pastors and lay leaders led by ReFrame’s Hindi ministry partners. Please pray for young leaders like Manoj as they minister in remote areas.

21 TUESDAY (Resonate) *Japan*—“Pray for God’s wisdom and courage for Japanese Christians to share the gospel with their family, friends, and coworkers,” said Ken and Jeannie Lee, Resonate missionaries in Japan.

22 WEDNESDAY (Worship) *Ash Wednesday*—Pray for worship leaders and pastors as they enter this busy season of Lent. May they find time for reflection and rest, even as their workload increases and expectations are high. May God bless the work of their hands, enliven the work of their minds, and tend to the work of their hearts as they live out their important and beautiful calling to serve God’s church.

23 THURSDAY (World Renew) *Peace*—Pray for peace that surpasses understanding for all who face turmoil in our world. Pray for families who don’t know where their next meal will come from, for dedicated staff and volunteers who work hard and are often stretched thin, and for the many millions of people in countries where unrest and uncertainty are a daily reality. Praise God that we serve the Prince of Peace.

24 FRIDAY (Resonate) *Michigan*—Campus ministers at International Campus Ministry, a Resonate partner at Western Michigan University, ask you to pray for connections with students. Pray that the campus ministry leaders may continue to build new relationships.

25 SATURDAY (ReFrame) *Cuba*—Dedice reads our Spanish-language devotions, *Cada Día*, and asks for prayers for her and her family in Cuba. Pray for their spiritual and physical well-being, and may they continue to read God’s Word every day.

26 SUNDAY (Centre for Public Dialogue) *First Sunday of Lent*—As we begin to observe Lent, let us consider our interdependence and how injustice experienced by one of us can affect the peace and prosperity of all. Praise God for good policies, and ask for eyes to see broken systems in order to seek peace and flourishing for all in the places where God has placed us.

27 MONDAY (Resonate) *Nicaragua*—Pray for the Nehemiah Center, a Resonate partner ministry in Nicaragua. Ask the Holy Spirit to continue working through this ministry and in the many ways its leaders serve churches and communities there.

28 TUESDAY (World Renew) *Haiti*—Our team in Haiti experienced many challenges last year because of violent demonstrations, gang clashes, and attacks on banks and public markets. Food insecurity is reported to be acute, with more than half of the population starving and unable to access basic health services. Despite these difficulties, stories of positive change in communities have encouraged and motivated World Renew to persevere. Pray for the restoration of dignity, and pray that vulnerable families may be able to meet their needs.

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