I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise.

—Psalm 18:3

1 SATURDAY (Communications) Canada Day—We pray today for Canada and its people. Pray for God’s guidance for Canada’s leaders, legislators, educators, and all who help to shape its culture and legacy. Pray also for Canada’s people in all their diversity.

2 SUNDAY (King’s University) Students—The King’s University (Edmonton, Alta.) is looking for student enrollment growth this fall. Please pray for our recruitment and admissions teams as they work faithfully. Please also pray for the students preparing to begin or resume their studies at King’s. Classes start Aug. 31, 2023, and we look forward to welcoming students to campus!

3 MONDAY (Resonate Global Mission) Europe—Resonate recently launched Cohort Europe, an opportunity for young adults to serve in a ministry, live in community, and engage in spiritual formation. Pray for the young adults preparing to engage in this cohort. Ask God to build up a strong support network for them.

4 TUESDAY (Communications) Independence Day (U.S.)—Today we pray for the United States of America and its people. May God’s will be done in decisions made at all levels of government and influence. May everyone in the U.S. find freedom in Christ, faith in his promises, and healing in his love.

5 WEDNESDAY (ReFrame Ministries) Brazil—ReFrame’s Portuguese-language ministry team hosts a conference for young families every year. Pray that this year’s event will reach even more people with the gospel and allow parents and children to engage in the good news in new ways.

6 THURSDAY (World Renew) Administration—While World Renew serves with God’s people around the globe, much of our administrative work takes place in our Canadian and U.S. offices. Please lift up our teams in prayer as they respond to the needs of our neighbors, collaborate with trusted foundations who help to make our work possible, and more.

7 FRIDAY (Resonate) Philippines—Resonate missionaries Charles and Hensel Oh ask for prayer for Timothy Leadership Training in the Philippines. Ask the Holy Spirit to work through leaders who participate in this training to help strengthen churches and transform communities.

8 SATURDAY (Calvin Theological Seminary) Students—Over 40 percent of our students are international students. Please pray for them as they make plans for travel, border crossings, and transitions. Pray also for plans being made this summer to welcome all students back in the fall.

9 SUNDAY (Thrive: Chaplains) Seafarer chaplain—Our chaplain for seafarers serves in coastal areas, ministering to the crews of merchant ships and cruise vessels. Often these crew members are from distressed areas of the world and are away from home for months at a time. A kind word, a listening ear, or a search for medical care can create an opportunity to discuss God’s love and grace. Pray that gospel-filled connections in this work may bear fruit each day.

10 MONDAY (ReFrame) Burkina Faso—Pray for Josep, a young man who recently joined our partners in Burkina Faso in French-language media ministry. Pray that his work will be a living testimony of life in Christ in a Muslim-majority context.

11 TUESDAY (Resonate) Michigan—Give thanks for people finding a faith community through Rise Up, a Resonate-partner church plant in Cedar Springs, Mich. Please pray for Rise Up as they continue to find ways to serve their community.

12 WEDNESDAY (World Renew) Latin America—Many young people in Latin America are vulnerable to poverty and harm. In Guatemala and Honduras, for example, it is rare for girls to receive an education beyond grade school. Pray that families may have the courage and conviction to support their children through schooling that will help them succeed.

13 THURSDAY (Global Coffee Break) Conference—Please pray for the West Coast Korean Conference hosted by Global Coffee Break’s new partner, Center for Coffee Break Ministry, July 13-15. May small group leaders be equipped and encouraged. Pray for the planning team and their energy, for safety for those who travel, and for God’s name to be lifted high.

14 FRIDAY (Thrive: Safe Church) Discernment—We give thanks that synod adopted the Code of Conduct for Ministry Leaders, and we pray that councils may discern how best to implement it in their congregations. May God continue to grow our commitment to be communities that protect the dignity and value of each person.

15 SATURDAY (Resonate) Ontario—Pray for the young adults who are serving this summer with the SoCo Beach Project, a Resonate partner in Ontario. Ask the Holy Spirit to work in and through them as they work with a local ministry, build relationships, and grow spiritually.

16 SUNDAY (ReFrame) Egypt—Pray for ReFrame’s partners in Arabic media ministry in Egypt. They are working on several new programs, including a video series for young people. Pray that word spreads about these new
programs and that young people will be blessed by the gospel messages in them.

17 MONDAY (World Renew) Global food crisis—In recent years, progress made toward food security has been blocked by conflict, drought, and factors related to the pandemic. We are working to alleviate some of this struggle through food distribution and food-security programs. Pray that God will continue providing for his children through the generosity of his people.

18 TUESDAY (Diaconal Ministries Canada) Coaches—Please pray for our diaconal coaches who work in each class across Canada, equipping and empowering deacons to animate their congregations to transform communities with the love of Christ. May they faithfully serve our Lord and his church in this capacity (Rom. 12:11).

19 WEDNESDAY (Resonate) Nigeria—Resonate missionaries ask you to pray for Nigeria in the midst of political tensions. A cash shortage has also made it difficult for people to buy food and other necessities. Pray for peace, asking God to provide for these people’s needs.

20 THURSDAY (GEMS Girls’ Clubs) Rest and renewal—Please pray for GEMS leaders as they take time this summer to rest and refresh. May God inspire and strengthen them to keep sharing in the mission to bring girls into a living, dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ. Join us in praising God for using GEMS in this mission for 65 years.

21 FRIDAY (Thrive: Pastor and Church Support) Changes—Please pray for pastors who have accepted new calls and are moving with their families to begin serving in new communities. Also pray for churches that are now without pastors, asking God to work in and through them as they search for a new pastor.

22 SATURDAY (ReFrame) Family Fire—A woman whose husband had an extramarital affair asked, “Pray that God will heal me from the excruciating pain and sadness for all that’s been lost. This betrayal has cost me so much. . . . My heart is shattered, my soul is crushed, and my spirit is so broken.”

23 SUNDAY (Resonate) Ukraine—“Please continue to pray for peace and justice in Ukraine—and in all of the countries where LCC students come from,” said Resonate missionaries Benjamin and Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk, who serve with LCC International University in Lithuania. “The future of the political situation in the region continues to be uncertain.”

24 MONDAY (World Renew) West Africa—In several West African countries Christianity is viewed with suspicion or fear. Pray for World Renew’s partners in ministry there who courageously persist in doing justice and loving mercy in such a challenging context, and for God’s protection of local churches in their ongoing ministries.

25 TUESDAY (Canadian Indigenous Ministry Committee) Reflecting—A year ago today the pope apologized for the Roman Catholic Church’s participation in the Indigenous residential school system. Please pray for Indigenous people on the road to reclaiming their culture. Pray also for the CRC as we repent of wrongdoing and seek to move forward in a restorative way.

26 WEDNESDAY (Thrive: Disabilities Inclusion) Disability advocates—We thank God for the 22 regional disability advocates working in their classes to recruit and support disability advocates in local churches. May they be energized in their work, and may churches be responsive. Pray also for volunteers to emerge in the classes and regions that do not yet have these advocates.

27 THURSDAY (Resonate) Japan—Resonate missionaries Ken and Jeannie Lee work with young adults in Japan and ask for prayers that “drifting, overworked, and anxious youth may find freedom in Christ.”

28 FRIDAY (Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee) Global relationships—We pray that international relationships forged during synod and other assemblies this year will continue to grow. May God continue to encourage ecumenical representatives and create opportunities for us to meet with them.

29 SATURDAY (ReFrame) Japan—Lift up Yamato, who has been hospitalized for a year and listens to ReFrame’s audio program Asa no Kotoba (“Morning Word”) devotional message. Pray that he will feel surrounded by God’s peace and that he will receive healing, comfort, and a deepening connection with Christ.

30 SUNDAY (World Renew) Disaster Response Services (DRS)—When our volunteers first dispatch to locations devastated by natural disasters, they begin by learning about the local community, and at times they must challenge assumptions about the needs in an area. As our volunteers serve, they offer and receive Christ’s love in tangible ways. We thank God for these volunteers!

31 MONDAY (Resonate) Toronto—“Pray for recent graduates as they transition,” asks Ruth Hofman, a Resonate partner campus minister at Logos Christian Community at York University in Toronto. Pray that these graduates will find Christian communities where they can continue to grow and serve.

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