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PRAYER GUIDE

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"I called to the Lord,
who is worthy of praise."

—Psalm 18:3

1 TUESDAY (Communications) *Canada Day*—We thank God for his faithfulness to Canada, and we pray for his guidance of the church in Canada as we share the gospel, work toward reconciliation, seek justice, and find fellowship as believers.

2 WEDNESDAY (Thrive) *Seafarers*—Our Seafarer chaplain connects with the crews of merchant ships and cruise vessels. Often the crew members are from distressed areas of the world, live in cramped quarters, and work long hours. A kind word, listening ear, or help with finding medical care can create an opportunity to discuss God's love and grace. Pray that these connections may help seafarers grow in knowing and trusting the Lord.

3 THURSDAY (Resonate Global Mission) *Ontario*—Give thanks for Momentum Campus Ministries, a Resonate partner serving university students in Ontario. A student from Geneva House campus ministry at Queen's University said: "Geneva is where I feel at home: seen, known, and supported. This ministry helped me to step out in service this year by equipping me to bring newcomers into our community."

4 FRIDAY (Communications) *Independence Day (U.S.)*—We thank God for his faithfulness to the United States, and we ask for his guidance to churches and believers across the country. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to grow fruit through all who proclaim the name of Christ.

5 SATURDAY (ReFrame Ministries) *Chinese ministry*—Pray for Siana, a listener who was deeply moved by Jesus' question to Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" (Mark 10:51). She said this helped her to experience the loving nature of Christ as she seeks to trust in him. Ask God to deepen her faith, guide her journey, and draw her closer to him.

6 SUNDAY (Resonate) *Japan*—Resonate missionaries Charles and Hensel Oh recently moved from the Philippines to Japan, where they are sharing the gospel and discipling believers in a highly secular society. Please pray for them and their daughter as they settle into their new home. Ask the Holy Spirit to open doors for meaningful friendships.

7 MONDAY (World Renew) *Displaced communities*—People are increasingly being displaced due to conflict in the Sahel region of Africa. Ask God to bring peace and to provide our staff with wisdom and resources to support communities facing hunger and violence. May our peacebuilding and justice efforts foster reconciliation and development, helping to restore hope to people in this region.

8 TUESDAY (Thrive) *Renewal*—Please pray for wisdom, discernment, and strength for pastors, leaders, and volunteers in congregations across the U.S. and Canada

as they live out God's call for renewal in their churches and communities.

9 WEDNESDAY (Resonate) *Lithuania*—Caroline Cardova, who recently concluded serving as a Resonate volunteer with Cohort Europe, decided to return to LCC International University in Lithuania to serve again next year. Praise God! Please pray for her as she prepares for long-term mission.

10 THURSDAY (ReFrame) *Arabic ministry*—Pray for our ministry partners in Egypt as they develop new Arabic media programs, including a gospel-based video series designed for reaching young people. Pray that many youth may encounter Jesus in a personal way through summer camps and other outreach efforts. Pray for wisdom, creativity, and boldness as the team keeps proclaiming the hope of the gospel.

11 FRIDAY (Calvin Theological Seminary) *Students*—Over 40 percent of our students are international students. Please pray that they may obtain their necessary visas and be able to cross borders safely, and that their travel plans and transitions may work out well. Pray also for plans being made this summer to welcome all students in the fall.

12 SATURDAY (Resonate) *West Africa*—A Resonate missionary serving in West Africa gives thanks that the Christian school she works with wrapped up another fruitful academic year. Many students who attend this school are from Muslim families. Pray that seeds of the gospel planted in these students will continue to grow fruitfully.

13 SUNDAY (World Renew) *Community health*—World Renew offers essential health care to mothers and children in vulnerable regions. Ask God to bless our community health programs with wisdom and effectiveness as they deliver maternal care, nutrition education, and clean water. Pray that preventable deaths may be reduced and that every expectant mother may be encouraged.

14 MONDAY (GEMS Girls' Clubs) *Leadership*—Please pray that the upcoming GEMS Leadership Summit, July 17-19, 2025, in Edina, Minn., will be a powerful time of worship, helpful training for GEMS leaders, and wonderful networking opportunities for all in attendance.

15 TUESDAY (Resonate) *Spain*—Resonate missionaries Tony and Stacey Meyer, who lead Mountainview International Church in Spain, give thanks for growth in their congregation! However, "as the church grows," they said, "so do some of the demands on us. Pray for wisdom and discernment" to know how best to prioritize tasks and to delegate ministry responsibilities.

16 WEDNESDAY (ReFrame) *Hindi ministry, India*—Pray for 24 couples from Jehanabad and Patna who recently attended a family enrichment seminar. These couples have chosen to follow Jesus and are seeking to build Christ-centered homes in the state of Bihar. Pray for spiritual maturity, strong faith, and ongoing support as they grow to live out the gospel in their families and communities.

17 THURSDAY (Thrive) *Disability advocates*—Disability advocates serve congregations by advocating with and for people with disabilities and by working to address barriers to full inclusion. Please pray for the advocates in your local congregation.

18 FRIDAY (Resonate) *Southern Asia*—Resonate missionaries in southern Asia recently had an opportunity to share the gospel with people who do not know much about Christianity. Ask the Holy Spirit to continue to help these people grow in faith.

19 SATURDAY (World Renew) *Ending child marriage*—Girls across the world are at risk of being forced into child marriage. Pray that our gender justice programs may challenge harmful norms and uphold the rights of girls. May youths be empowered with helpful knowledge of health, human rights, and education. Ask God to transform hearts and to create a safe, hopeful future for every child.

20 SUNDAY (Thrive) *Children and youth*—Please pray for the spiritual development and protection of children and young people in our congregations. Pray also for children's ministry leaders, youth leaders, parents, and caregivers as they model faith practices and contribute to the faith formation of the next generation.

21 MONDAY (Resonate) *Michigan*—Abundant Life Youth Ministries of Grand Rapids, a Resonate partner in Michigan, hosted its annual summer camp in early July. Around 50 students attended and learned about the nearness of God in their daily lives. Pray that these students will continue to grow in their relationship with Christ.

22 TUESDAY (ReFrame) *English-ministry prayer team*—Pray for Catherine, who connected with our prayer ministry after her husband died suddenly from a six-week battle with cancer. They were married for over 42 years, and she wrestles with sorrow, questions, and loneliness. Ask God to meet her in her grief, bring healing to her heart, and surround her with his comforting presence and peace.

23 WEDNESDAY (World Renew) *Disaster response*—Unexpected disasters like earthquakes, floods, and forest fires continue to displace and harm communities around the globe. Pray for our disaster response teams as they rebuild homes and restore livelihoods. Ask God to grant them safety, discernment, and endurance. May communities experience renewed hope through acts of generosity and support!

24 THURSDAY (Resonate) *Nicaragua*—Resonate missionaries Vinnie and Kate Adams praise God for providing a new director for Tesoros de Dios, a Resonate partner ministry in Nicaragua that serves students with disabilities and their families. Please pray for

Violeta, the new director, as she leads this ministry in this time of transition.

25 FRIDAY (Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee) *New members*—We thank God for new members interested and willing to serve on the EIRC. May they soon feel at home on this committee. Ask God to bless this team as it seeks to encourage and support other Christian churches and their leaders in different parts of the world. Please pray that we may humbly serve Christ in this way.

26 SATURDAY (Canada) *Canadian National Gathering*—Planning has begun for the next Canadian National Gathering, to be held May 28-31, 2026, at Redeemer University in Ancaster, Ont. Please pray that preparations will allow churches to connect, learn from one another, and collectively shape the future of our shared ministry.

27 SUNDAY (Resonate) *Uganda*—Resonate missionaries Josh and Mandy Shaarda, who serve in Uganda, give thanks that people who are in prison are finding peace through Freedom in Christ teachings. Three inmates recently shared about feeling angry and vengeful before taking this training, and they said the learning experience softened their hearts and led them to forgive.

28 MONDAY (Thrive) *Refugees*—Please pray for refugees and displaced people worldwide, that they may find safety and peace. Pray also for host nations that have openly received thousands of refugees, asking that God will grant compassion and logistical wisdom in caring for vulnerable individuals and families.

29 TUESDAY (World Renew) *Horn of Africa*—Families in the Horn of Africa facing drought, food insecurity, and effects of conflict need mercy and compassion. Our partner organizations there assist the most vulnerable people with food, education, and care. Ask God to help caregivers, tutors, and community leaders to show his love in every opportunity for growth and restoration.

30 WEDNESDAY (ReFrame) *Japanese ministry*—Tomoki, a listener in Japan, shared that our Seisho wo Hirako ("Let's Open the Bible") program renewed his resolve to turn his heart to the Lord in the midst of uncertainty. Ask God to continue to bring clarity, hope, and spiritual renewal to listeners through this program. May more people in Japan be drawn to the Lord and find lasting peace in him.

31 THURSDAY (The King's University) *Community*—Pray with us for a summertime of renewal providing a meaningful break from routine for students, staff, and faculty at The King's University. Pray also for a good start to the academic year when they return to campus or start a new academic journey this fall.

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