

“Jesus . . . [showed] them that they should always pray and not give up.”

—Acts 9:11

1 THURSDAY (Communications)
National Day of Prayer (U.S.)—Join with Christians across the United States in prayer for the nation and the world. Pray for God’s guidance and wisdom for world leaders and decision makers, for peace, for food security, and for God’s work and will to be done.

2 FRIDAY (Resonate Global Mission)
Middle East—A Resonate missionary in the Middle East has started a counseling center for missionaries and other ministry leaders. This month the counseling center is leading a group debriefing for leaders in the Sudanese community. Ask God to provide healing and encouragement for these leaders.

3 SATURDAY (World Renew)
Myanmar earthquakes—Please pray for families who lost loved ones in the devastating earthquakes in Myanmar this spring, for medical teams continuing to treat the injured, and for organizations like World Renew working to respond and bring hope. Ask God for provision as the people of Myanmar, who were already struggling with effects of poverty, must now rebuild from this disaster.

4 SUNDAY (ReFrame Ministries)
Burkina Faso—Pray for Sylvie, a listener strengthened by our French ministry broadcasts. She has enrolled in Bible school in Koubri, desiring to serve

God in a ministry career. Pray for wisdom and perseverance, and ask God to equip her with everything she needs as she steps into this new chapter of faith and ministry.

5 MONDAY (Resonate) *Uganda*—Give thanks for God’s work through Sylvia, a pastor in Uganda who participated in our Timothy Leadership Training (TLT), which equips pastors to live out and share the gospel in their communities. Through TLT, Sylvia felt called to care for three girls whose parents have died. Praise God that these girls are experiencing the love of Christ.

6 TUESDAY (Thrive) *Classis meetings*—Please pray for ongoing classis meetings this month, that they may be productive and marked by the fruit of the Spirit.

7 WEDNESDAY (Calvin Theological Seminary) *Graduates*—Over 60 students will be graduating this month. Rejoice with our graduates and their families and the churches and others who have supported them. Pray for these graduates as they transition to ministry positions, further study, or other transitions as God leads them.

8 THURSDAY (Resonate) *California*—Eric Sarwar, a Resonate missionary and partner in church planting, asks for prayer that God will continue to guide and provide for a church-planting

ministry among Indian Pakistani immigrants in California.

9 FRIDAY (Diaconal Ministries Canada) *NewGround*—Give thanks with us for the NewGround program that empowers churches in Canada to reflect God's love through practical, Christ-centered outreach, bringing justice, mercy, and hope in their communities. Pray for Amy, the program's new coordinator, as she leads this ministry and works with our partners!

10 SATURDAY (ReFrame) *Japan*—Pray for Seiko, who listens to our Japanese radio programs and recently came to faith in Christ. She shared, "I want to continue listening to your program and grow steadily in my faith." Pray that Seiko may be rooted in God's truth and guided by the Holy Spirit to deepen her relationship with Christ.

11 SUNDAY (Resonate) *Mother's Day*—We praise God for the blessings of the loving and caring moms and mother figures in our lives. As we celebrate Mother's Day, please join us in praying for health, safety, and provision for mothers around the world who are experiencing poverty, working tirelessly to care for their families, and striving to improve their families' livelihoods.

12 MONDAY (Resonate) *Iowa*—"Pray that our upcoming events may be an encouragement to campus ministries, local churches, and the wider campus and city," ask Brett and Leigh Ann Erikson, Resonate partner campus ministers at Geneva Campus Ministry, which serves the University of Iowa and the surrounding community.

13 TUESDAY (Thrive) *Staff*—Please pray for guidance and wisdom for Thrive staff as they journey alongside congregations. May they provide meaningful support to church leaders and volunteers as they seek to cultivate deeper spiritual growth and vibrant faith communities.

14 WEDNESDAY (EIRC) *Shared challenges*—The Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee, on behalf of the CRCNA, is in constant communication with other churches around the world. Most of these churches struggle with the same challenges our denomination is facing. Please pray for wisdom and guidance on how best to encourage and support one another as we seek to follow God's will and way.

15 THURSDAY (ReFrame) *Prayer ministry*—Pray for Stefane, who is navigating a challenging season in his faith. He and his wife recently left their jobs and are trusting Jesus to provide for and protect their family. Pray for strength, steadfast faith, and God's care and protection over their young daughter during this uncertain time.

16 FRIDAY (Resonate) *Cambodia*—Resonate missionaries Ly Chhay and Navy Chann-Chhay ask you to pray for new believers in Cambodia. Ask God to continue to strengthen their faith, and may the Holy Spirit work in and through these believers so that their families, friends, neighbors, and coworkers may experience the love of Christ too.

17 SATURDAY (World Renew) *VSLAs*—Part of our work involves empowering communities to

create their own financial solutions. By establishing village savings and loan associations (VSLAs), community members can save money together and access loans to pay for essentials like health care, school fees, or starting a business. Please pray for VSLA participants as they work to renew hope for their families and communities.

18 SUNDAY (Thrive) *Congregations*—Please pray for a spirit of love, understanding, and collaboration among members within your own congregation. Pray for hearts that lean toward faithfulness, patience, kindness, and other fruits of the Spirit.

19 MONDAY (Canada) *Leadership*—Pray for Al Postma, the CRCNA's Executive Director-Canada. Ask God to grant him wisdom and strength. Pray that God will guide his decisions and empower him to serve faithfully. Pray for fruitful collaboration with church leaders and members across the country.

20 TUESDAY (Resonate) *Spain*—Rachel and Gary de Leon, Resonate missionaries who work with refugees in Spain, recently started a program at a community center that provides professional training for people who are waiting for a work permit. Please ask God to work through this program to help people find jobs that fit their skills, experience, and interests.

21 WEDNESDAY (Calvinist Cadet Corps) *Leadership*—Join us in embracing our “Lead the Way” theme, inspired by 1 Timothy 4:12. We're challenging cadets and counselors to step up as leaders in their churches

and communities. Please lift up our dedicated counselors as they mentor boys in their walk with Christ, and encourage cadets to boldly live out our motto: Living for Jesus.

22 THURSDAY (World Renew) *Gift catalog*—We give thanks for all who give generously through our Gift Catalog throughout the year. As the gifts reach participants in our programs, pray with us that the community members receiving chickens, nutrition kits, water filters, bars of soap, bicycles, and much more will find renewed hope in the kindness of God's global family.

23 FRIDAY (Redeemer University) *Guidance*—Ask God to continue to lead students to Redeemer University and to provide the resources to prepare graduates to reflect the love of Jesus in every career and calling. Pray also for our new strategic planning process, asking God to guide the development of new programs that will help more people access higher education.

24 SATURDAY (Resonate) *Central America*—Give thanks for how God is working to transform volunteers and alumni of our Cohort Central America program. One alumnus, surrounded by a supportive community, was recently baptized on a beach in El Salvador.

25 SUNDAY (ReFrame) *China*—Pray for Lin, who recently joined a book club begun by one of our Chinese ministry team members. They're reading a book on prayer that is published by our Chinese ministry. Pray that Lin may grow in faith, especially in her prayer life, and that she and the

other attendees may be blessed in their reading and discussion of this book.

26 MONDAY (Thrive) *Memorial Day* (U.S.)—On this Memorial Day we remember all who gave up their lives while serving their country. We remember lives that ended too soon. We pray for friends and family who grieve and who may feel abandoned and unknown in their grief. We continue to live in the hope that one day all wars will cease at the coming of Jesus Christ.

27 TUESDAY (Resonate) *Alberta*—Please pray for outreach efforts in Nordegg, Alta. A few Christian Reformed pastors are working with local leaders to minister with the local Indigenous population. Please pray for these pastors as they practice a ministry of presence and build relationships with people in the community. Ask God to help build trust and to stir up curiosity about the good news of Jesus.

28 WEDNESDAY (World Renew) *Travel*—Spring can be a busy season with conferences and other meetings. Many of our staff members in North America and in our offices worldwide have attended recent events or plan to attend upcoming gatherings. Pray with us for safe travels, meaningful connections, and blessings as our staff seek to represent the work of God's hands through World Renew.

29 THURSDAY (ReFrame) *Ascension Day*—Today, on Ascension Day, the worldwide church begins a season of longing for Jesus' return. May God's people around the world continue forward with the Great Commission, as found in Matthew 28:19-20 and Acts 1:8, sharing the good news of Jesus in all languages.

30 FRIDAY (Thrive) *Faith formation*—Please pray for parents, caregivers, and children's ministry leaders as May can be a month full of activities. Pray for energy, joy, and a renewed commitment to children's faith formation.

31 SATURDAY (Resonate) *Lithuania*—Give thanks for the long-lasting impact that LCC International University, a Resonate partner in Lithuania, has on students. Missionaries Steve and Chris Van Zanen, who serve at LCC, give thanks for students "who continue to worship and serve the Lord Jesus in various professions and locations" after they graduate.

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