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## PRAYER GUIDE

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I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my understanding.

—1 Corinthians 14:15

**1 TUESDAY** (Resonate Global Mission) *Nigeria*—Resonate missionary Sarah Aderemi in Nigeria leads a group where moms and moms-to-be can encourage, support, and disciple one another. “Pray that the mothers' group will continue to grow without losing the intimacy, support, formation, and joy at its heart,” asks Sarah.

**2 WEDNESDAY** (ReFrame Ministries) *Today devotions*—Patsy lost her husband in February and has been seeking God through church, Scripture, and daily devotions. Ask God to meet her in her grief, reassure her heart of his love and forgiveness, and make his closeness real to her.

**3 THURSDAY** (Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee) *Democratic Republic of Congo*—A frontline worker in the Ebola epidemic asks, “Pray for people ministering in the local church while they serve as frontline responders. Many people don't seek medical attention soon enough, or they refuse to change patterns that allow the disease to spread rapidly.” Several local pastors have died from the disease. Give thanks that a local ministry has trained over 150 churches in effective Ebola-response measures.

**4 FRIDAY** (World Renew) *Ebola*—Please continue to pray for God's protection over communities affected by the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo and neighboring countries. Ask God for wisdom, coordination, and resources for

governments, health workers, and regional response teams as they work to contain the virus and save lives.

**5 SATURDAY** (Thrive) *Labor Day*—Thank you, Lord, for your words in Scripture honoring workers and the work they do. Guide us to share your love and concern for all people. Help us to celebrate gainful employment and diligent work not only with our words but also in the ways we treat people every day.

**6 SUNDAY** (Calvin University) *Discipleship*—Calvin University gathers students from all over the world and from many Christian traditions. Some are new to the Christian faith, while others are deeply rooted in it. Pray that faculty and staff may be able to disciple all students well so that during their time at Calvin they may be able to grow in devotion to Jesus.

**7 MONDAY** (Church Renewal) *Financial resources and stewardship*—“Our world belongs to God.” And God chooses to use us to further his kingdom. Pray that we all may give generously of the resources God has blessed us with for the building of his kingdom.

**8 TUESDAY** (Resonate) *Costa Rica*—Please pray for spiritual growth in a Bible study that Resonate missionary Micah Schuurman leads with young adults in Costa Rica. Micah shared, “Several participants identify as agnostic, but they keep coming to read the Bible and to pray in community.”

**9 WEDNESDAY** (Thrive) *Newcomers—Lord, open our eyes, that we may see the needs of immigrants and refugees; open our ears, that we may hear people's cries for justice; open our hearts, that we may assist sojourners near and far. Show us where love, hope, and faith are needed. Let us not be afraid to protect the weak or to defend the poor because of the power and attitude of the rich. Sustain us to do the work of peace.*

**10 THURSDAY** (ReFrame) *Prayer ministry—Please pray for Ellen as she battles long-term depression and anxiety that has not responded well to therapy or medication. Ask the Lord to relieve this heavy burden, give her strength for each day, and provide new pathways toward healing and peace.*

**11 FRIDAY** (World Renew) *Food security—Farming communities throughout Zambia, Kenya, Uganda, and their region are facing the threat of drought, erratic rainfall, deforestation, and climate-related challenges. Ask God to provide favorable weather, fruitful harvests, and the resources needed to support vulnerable families and strengthen climate-smart agricultural initiatives.*

**12 SATURDAY** (Calvin Theological Seminary) *New academic year—At the start of a new school year, we rejoice in the enrollment of new students. Pray for new and returning students from around the world amid all the transitions they encounter as they begin a new season of study and learning.*

**13 SUNDAY** (Resonate) *Church planters—Ask God to raise up leaders in the Christian Reformed Church in North America who will answer the call to plant new churches!*

**14 MONDAY** (Church Renewal) *Antioch—Acts 13:1-3 describes a group who gathered to worship and pray. From there, God sent out two of their leaders, Saul and Barnabas, to spread the good news of Jesus. Ask God to call and send out workers into new mission fields, church planting, campus ministry, and elsewhere, praying that new leaders may emerge to step in where others have served.*

**15 TUESDAY** (ReFrame) *Jakarta—Ribkha asks for prayers for wisdom and guidance from God as she discerns her career steps. Pray for peace as she navigates working with a difficult supervisor, and ask for the Lord's direction on whether she should seek a new position.*

**16 WEDNESDAY** (World Renew) *Good governance—Among countries where we have a long-term presence, several are planning or have recently held elections. Ask God for wisdom for national leaders, provisions for households under pressure, and guidance toward justice and economic stability. Pray for peaceful election processes.*

**17 THURSDAY** (Thrive) *Students—Pray for the students in your congregation who are beginning another school year. Pray for joy in education, fruitful friendships, and the integration of faith and learning.*

**18 FRIDAY** (ThereforeGo Ministries) *Students—ThereforeGo Ministries is thankful for another amazing summer of SERVE opportunities in which students could encounter the love of Christ through service, worship, and community. Please join us in praying for students as they enter the fall season after experiencing a different way of living out and growing in their faith!*

**19 SATURDAY** (ReFrame) *Prayer ministry*—Pray for Sue, who left a note on our Facebook page asking for prayer for her daughter, who is navigating a high-risk pregnancy with concerns about pre-eclampsia. Ask God to protect both mother and baby, bring stability to the pregnancy, and grant the entire family peace.

**20 SUNDAY** (Resonate) *England*—Resonate missionaries Matt and Emily Slack, who serve in London, teach English to refugees. Many come from Muslim backgrounds. The Slacks ask for prayers that their English students may come to know Christ through their hospitality and witness.

**21 MONDAY** (Church Renewal) *Diversity*—In Acts 13:1-3 we read of a gathering of diverse people from around the Roman Empire. Pray for an increase of ethnic diversity in the CRCNA that is already being seen in church planting, growing congregations, and various ministries. May we continue to grow in reflecting the worldwide body of Christ.

**22 TUESDAY** (World Renew) *Flooding in Asia*—Lift up communities in Bangladesh and India affected by monsoon flooding. Pray for the safety of families, protection of crops and livelihoods, health of staff and partners, and God's provision as new projects begin and ministries continue to serve vulnerable communities with compassion and hope.

**23 WEDNESDAY** (Candidacy Committee) *Leadership*—Please pray for wisdom for the Classis Ministerial Leadership Teams leading conversations about leadership development within their classes. Please also join us in continued prayer that the Lord will send laborers into the "harvest

field" to fill our churches and communities with the love and good news of Jesus Christ.

**24 THURSDAY** (ReFrame) *Brazil*—Pray for Liliane as she battles intense anxiety, depression, and feelings of despair. Ask God to guard her heart and mind when she feels like giving up, and pray that she may be surrounded with comfort, peace, and practical support.

**25 FRIDAY** (Thrive) *Chaplains*—Chaplains minister in psychiatric hospitals, behavioral health units, and forensic hospitals. Special training, skills, love, and perseverance are required for providing holistic care for patients in emotional, spiritual, and mental crises. Pray that our chaplains in these situations may receive overflowing measures of grace and wisdom for the people entrusted into their care.

**26 SATURDAY** (Resonate) *West Africa*—Please pray for Resonate missionaries in West Africa in their relationships with local high-school students. Students from Muslim backgrounds often stop by the missionaries' homes on their way home from school, and their conversations often include questions about Christianity.

**27 SUNDAY** (World Renew) *Regional staff*—Pray for all our staff around the world who are faithfully serving Christ. Pray in particular for teams that are trying to fill vacancies, for staff facing added stress from challenging economic or political situations in their countries, and for employees facing illness, family concerns, or grief at this time.

**28 MONDAY** (Church Renewal)—Acts 13:1-3 reveals how Saul and Barnabas were called by the Spirit to spread the gospel. And they left with the blessing and

support of the church, symbolized by the laying on of hands. As congregations and classes support church planting in the CRCNA, pray that they will bless and support all who are planting churches in their regions.

**29 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 while seeking to cultivate increased spiritual growth and vibrant faith communities.

**30 WEDNESDAY** (Indigenous Ministry) *Truth and reconciliation*—Today is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Canada. Pray for healing, comfort, and peace for residential school survivors and their families. Ask God to give our churches humble hearts to listen deeply, stand against injustice, and faithfully walk the long path of reconciliation alongside Indigenous neighbors.



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