

Jesus . . . [showed] them that they should
always pray and not give up. —Luke 18:1

1 FRIDAY (Thrive) *Activities*—Please pray for parents, caregivers, and children’s ministry leaders as they navigate this busy month of events and activities. Pray for energy, joy, and a renewed sense of commitment to children’s faith formation.

2 SATURDAY (ReFrame Ministries) *Egypt*—A young man named Joseph is balancing university studies while working to support himself. Pray that he may be strengthened in this demanding season and find success in his academic, spiritual, and professional life, growing in faith as he pursues the path God has set before him.

3 SUNDAY (Cadets) *Living faith*—Pray that, as we seek to live out this year’s *Stand Firm* theme (1 Cor. 16:13–14), God will equip our counselors with Christlike courage, strength, and love. Ask God to shape our cadets into young men who boldly follow Jesus at home, at school, in their clubs, and in their communities—standing firm in faith wherever he leads.

4 MONDAY (Church Renewal) *Church planting*—Pray that the Holy Spirit will ignite in the church and in the classes a desire to plant churches, to come alongside church planters, and to reach people with the good news of Jesus Christ.

5 TUESDAY (Resonate Global Mission) *South Africa*—Missionary Megan Ribbens and her colleague Mosky in South Africa are beginning work with a group of teen girls at a ministry for orphaned and vulnerable children. These teens will be working through the Idea Lab ministry. “Please pray with us that this work will be infused with God’s presence and provision,” said Megan.

6 WEDNESDAY (World Renew) *Seasonal storm recovery*—Please pray for families around the world who have lost their homes or livelihoods, and for organizations like World Renew working to respond and bring hope. Ask God for provision as people who have already been struggling with poverty must now rebuild because of disasters.

7 THURSDAY (CRC Communications) *National Day of Prayer (U.S.)*—Join 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.

8 FRIDAY (ReFrame) *Prayer ministry*—Nicole shares that her significant other passed away unexpectedly, leaving her to care for her two young daughters while navigating deep grief and uncertainty. Pray for strength, comfort, and peace,

asking God to provide for her needs and to carry her and her children through this difficult time.

9 SATURDAY (Thrive) *Students*—Pray for the students in your congregation who are nearing the end of another school year. Pray for joy in education, fruitful friendships, and continued integration of faith and learning.

10 SUNDAY (World Renew) *Mother’s Day*—We praise God for the blessings of the loving and caring moms and mother figures in our lives. We also think of mothers around the world who experience poverty and work tirelessly to care for their families. Please join us in praying for health, safety, and provision for mothers as they strive to improve their families’ well-being.

11 MONDAY (Church Renewal) *Faithfulness*—Our world often defines success as big, shiny, and new. God calls us to faithful obedience. Pray for faithfulness in our churches, though their work at times may be a struggle. Ask for wisdom in discerning and following their calling, even when that may become difficult.

12 TUESDAY (Calvin Theological Seminary) *Graduates*—Nearly 100 students will be graduating this month, including over 30 in our Spanish-language program. Rejoice with our graduates and their families, and with the churches and others who have supported them. Pray for them as they transition to ministry positions, further studies, or in other directions as God leads them.

13 WEDNESDAY (Resonate) *Japan*—Give thanks for the 20 Bible study groups that our missionaries Jeong and Misook Gho work with in Japan. “We trained most of these leaders and support them in many ways even now. . . . Please pray for these leaders as they work faithfully for evangelism and reconciliation,” ask the Ghos.

14 THURSDAY (ReFrame) *Ascension Day*—As we reflect on and celebrate our risen, ascended Savior, let’s pray for Greg and his wife, Pam, who have asked for prayer as they enter a difficult season. Pam’s multiple sclerosis is advancing and bringing significant pain, and she is going into palliative care. May the Lord fill her with comfort and assurance, and may God supply strength and wisdom for Greg as he cares for her.

15 FRIDAY (Thrive) *Displaced people*—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; may God give them

compassion and logistical wisdom in caring for vulnerable individuals and families.

16 SATURDAY (World Renew) *Savings groups*—Part of our work involves empowering communities to create their own financial solutions. By establishing small-scale savings groups, community members can save money together and access loans to pay for essentials like health care, school fees, or starting a business. Pray for renewed hope as participants strive to build up their families and communities.

17 SUNDAY (ReFrame) *India*—Pray for Pastor Radhay and Pastor Abhishek as they share messages about the true shepherd and his faithfulness. May they remain steadfast in their walk with Christ and be strengthened as they encourage others to trust in the Lord, who guides and protects his people.

18 MONDAY (Church Renewal) *Margins*—In our neighborhoods, communities, and towns, there are many who struggle, are lonely, are on the margins, and may not have hope. Pray that our congregations may be the presence of Jesus in these places, bringing hope to the hopeless, direction to the lost, and friendship to the lonely.

19 TUESDAY (Resonate) *Graduates*—Campus ministers throughout Canada and the United States ask for prayer for students who are graduating this spring. “May they feel secure because the Lord is their shepherd and will provide for them. And may they find jobs where they can fit well and thrive,” said David Sheldon, a Campus Edge minister serving at Michigan State University.

20 WEDNESDAY (Diaconal Ministries Canada) *Together—God, we give thanks for 25 years of Diaconal Ministries Canada, through which deacons across this country have seen that together we can do more. Continue to unite churches and communities to share gifts, do good, and participate in your renewing work. Strengthen and guide us in the years ahead, that your love may be seen and lived.*

21 THURSDAY (World Renew) *Gift Catalog*—We give thanks for all who give generously through our Gift Catalog throughout the year. Pray with us that community members who receive the chickens, nutrition kits, water filters, bars of soap, bicycles, and so much more will find renewed hope in the kindness of God’s global family.

22 FRIDAY (Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee) *Synod reports*—Please pray for our committee as we prepare reports for synod. We need the Holy Spirit to guide and lead us. *Grant us wisdom and insight, O Spirit of God, that these reports may reflect your will, be edifying to all, and be instrumental in strengthening and uniting your church.*

23 SATURDAY (Thrive) *Remembering*—As we anticipate Memorial Day, we remember all who had a bright future and yet gave up their lives while serving their country. We pray for their loved ones left behind—friends and family who are grieving and may feel abandoned. Guide us to live in the hope that one day all wars will cease at the coming of Jesus Christ.

24 SUNDAY (Resonate) *Pentecost*—Give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit! This year in the season of Pentecost, may we open our hearts to the Spirit’s leading and take our next step into God’s mission—bringing hope and renewal wherever it is most needed.

25 MONDAY (Church Renewal) *Missions*—Churches around the world are sending missionaries to North America to reach people groups here. Pray that we may welcome these fellow believers from around the world, partner with them to reach the various ethnic groups in our communities, and see the mission of God in this world flourish.

26 TUESDAY (ReFrame) *Burkina Faso*—Belem Boureima, a displaced community health worker and new listener to our radio program in Goursi, shared that a recent broadcast helped to strengthen his faith. Pray that his faith will continue to grow and that he will be encouraged and sustained during this season of displacement.

27 WEDNESDAY (Redeemer University) *Students and programs*—Ask God to continue leading our students and to provide us with the resources to prepare them to reflect the love of Christ in every career and calling. Pray also for guidance in our new master’s level programming so that a greater audience may access integrated Christian higher education.

28 THURSDAY (Justice Ministries) *Canadian National Gathering*—Pray for the Canadian National Gathering as it begins today, and for leaders guiding the ministry streams and conversation. May participants find a transformative time of connection, belonging, and discernment.

29 FRIDAY (Resonate) *Church planters*—Several church planters in Canada and the United States are working with Resonate, classes, and established churches to plant new faith communities with and for diaspora communities. Ask God to guide each one of these leaders and to provide for their needs as they continue to build relationships with people in their communities.

30 SATURDAY (World Renew) *Lebanon*—We continue to offer food, mattresses, and other essentials through our local partner in Lebanon to displaced families there. Our partner told us: “It’s hard to explain, but it seems people are hopeless and depressed to the extent that they have no more emotions.” Pray for God’s presence and comfort as the church continues to reach out with tangible expressions of Christ’s love.

31 SUNDAY (Thrive) *Trinity Sunday*—On this Trinity Sunday, we pray that each person may know how “wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge” (Eph. 3:18-19).

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