

Pray *Every Day* for EVERYDAY

*Daily prayer requests for
the overseas literature outreach of*

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Tues. 1 *“And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence,”* Colossians 1:18 NKJV. As we begin this year may we put Christ Jesus our Lord in the preeminent place in all that we say and do.

Wed. 2 Please pray for Annie Griffiths (Don and Marilyn MacMullen’s daughter) as she experienced further complications with her heart condition in November. She is currently awaiting further tests and a revised treatment plan this month. Please pray for her and her family as they navigate through this new period of life.

Thurs. 3 Praise the Lord for the wonderful evening of fellowship as the EPI volunteers and staff met for their annual Christmas dinner (PED (*Pray Every Day*) Nov. 30).

Fri. 4 Pray for Harold and Barb MacDougall’s daughter Jen and her husband AJ as they settle into a new job and life in Mackenzie, BC. Pray the Lord would continue to lead and guide them in their walk with Him (PED Dec. 5).

Sat. 5 From Mark and Gail Beach: *“Praise the Lord for Thirza’s safe return from her Missions trip to Asia. Pray for direction and employment for the future.”*

Sun. 6 Praise the Lord for the opportunity to meet veteran missionary and long-time EPI “customer” Samuel Ussher from Venezuela. He had been visiting here in Canada and stopped by to pick up some books. It is always a joy to meet these “fellow-laborers” face to face!

Mon. 7 From Mark and Gail: *“Praise the Lord for a relaxing and refreshing time with family and friends in Colorado over the Christmas holidays”* (PED Dec. 18).

Tues. 8 The annual meetings of EPI were held on November 24th. Thank the Lord for the needed grace in dealing with difficult situations regarding EPI. Pray that the Lord’s name would be held high and His will be done as we go forward (PED Nov. 23, 24).

Wed. 9 Praise the Lord for an excellent price on shipping our books as well as items from two local chapels to the ACCTS container in October. We thank the Lord for every mercy!

Thurs. 10 Due to work being done on the roof of our building, there was a water leak directly over books in the warehouse. Thankfully it was detected early, and the shrink wrapping and protective coating on the books helped minimize damage. Praise the Lord for this answer to prayer for protection over the facilities.

Fri. 11 From Gertrud Harlow: *“Pray that every EPI book sent forth this year will be used by the Holy Spirit to meet the special need of each hungry, searching, troubled reader. So many face great trials, discouragement, and bereavement and need comfort and strength from the Lord above.”*

Sat. 12 From Alma Turnbull: *“All being well, I expect to be back in Ontario on Dec. 30th. My niece and her husband plan to come to my sister’s for Christmas and I can ride home with them.”* Pray for Alma as she returns and adjusts back to her busy life.

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Sun. 13 Mark reports on the US Workers' & Elders' Conference in metro Kansas City: "*Book sales were the highest ever in the four years that I have been attending this conference! We also had the opportunity to give away 66 copies of Elders' ShopNotes – Vol. 1 as part of a special conference promotion organized by David Dunlop.*" Pray that these books would be a blessing to these elders as they serve the Lord in their local assemblies.

Mon. 14 Pray for Noel Bondt as he continues daily tasks of programming and network maintenance. Pray too for continued strength and joy as he remembers that "Jesus loves even him".

Tues. 15 Praise the Lord for a busy print shop in October: 15,902 pieces of literature were printed. Pray that each piece would result in God getting the glory due His Name!

Wed. 16 Pray that Sara Townsend's twice-weekly physiotherapy for a torn upper right rotator cuff muscle will be effective to reduce the pain in her shoulder and to strengthen the muscle sufficiently to avoid further damage. Join her in thanking the Lord that the cost is covered by OHIP!

Thurs. 17 Pray for patience and wisdom for Mark to understand and comply with new US Postal Service regulations regarding the ISAL M-Bag service. This method is the most cost effective option, and the majority of our overseas orders are shipped using this method.

Fri. 18 Praise the Lord for reliable service personnel that are swift in responding to calls for repairs and maintenance, keeping the print shop humming!

Sat. 19 Pray that the Lord may prosper Cidinha Moss and Marjorie Beckwith as they proofread the Portuguese translation of *Church of the Book*.

Sun. 20 Praise the Lord for the report from Marg McGregor of Prince Edward Island of a lady coming to faith in Christ while studying *Now Hear Peter* in their Ladies' Bible Study about 5 years ago. Pray for blessing as they begin another study using this same book.

Mon. 21 As the dark days of winter lengthen, pray that the presence of the Lord would lighten the way and give much cause for rejoicing and renewed energy for His work.

Tues. 22 Pray that Robert and Iain MacDougall would know the Lord's leading regarding full-time employment. Pray for willingness to surrender to His will.

Wed. 23 Praise the Lord for the safety we have been blessed with in the operation of equipment, particularly the "cutter" and the 2 binding machines. Pray for continued protection for all those involved.

Thurs. 24 From Mark: "*Pray for wisdom and enabling as EPI takes its first steps in e-publishing.*"

Fri. 25 In the month of October all the books going out free to missionaries were headed to South America. Pray for the Lord to bless in that part of the world.

Sat. 26 Pray for wisdom to understand the Lord's direction at EPI, whether by His withholding or provision of funds. Pray for faith to trust Him more.

Sun. 27 Mark reports that the CMML Conference book table in New Jersey November 10th went very well. Sales were good and he was able to give a report on the work of EPI. Praise the Lord!

Mon. 28 Pray that the printing of the Congo Swahili *Believer's Bible Commentary – Vol. 1*, now in production at Dickinson Press in Grand Rapids, MI would go according to the Lord's will.

Tues. 29 Pray for wisdom in knowing how many Congo Swahili *Believer's Bible Commentary – Vol. 1* should be sent to northeast DR Congo and the timing of that shipment in view of unsettled conditions there.

Wed. 30 The numerous individual "print jobs" require considerable record keeping, both in terms of inventory and of costs. Pray for wisdom and the Lord's blessing for all who have responsibilities in this process.

Thurs. 31 Continue to pray that the Lord would use the 10,000 Emmaus Correspondence School courses and test booklets printed in the Shona language for Zimbabwe. Pray that this shipment would arrive safely and would be a help in this war torn country (PED Dec. 15).

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Fri. 1 *"For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain...Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you. And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith,"* Philippians 1:21-25 NKJV. Pray that we may keep our focus on Christ, so that we can equip others in their life of faith and joy.

Sat. 2 From Alma: *"Quiet space is GOOD, especially when faced with this challenge of writing about '100 years of ministry at Chitokoloki'. I...committed to spending 5 hours every morning, alone, from 7:00 a.m. until noon, here in my sister's home in Florida. I am encouraged, and very grateful for the prayers of friends and family."*

Sun. 3 From Gordon and Florence Wakefield, Peru: *"We usually have 35 to 50 students...who delight to study with us for a month of intensive studies in Bible books and misc. Bible themes. The students come from places where there are no sources of good Bible based materials and are delighted to have access through you and God's provision. We do thank you. We pray for you all, let's keep on keeping on, He may be coming in the clouds soon..."*

Mon. 4 Gertrud writes: *"Praise the Lord with us for the privilege via the printed page to have a part in sharing God's wonderful way of salvation with people we have never met, and who have never heard it yet. Pray that many will meet the Savior."*

Tues. 5 In the first two months of our fiscal year all books sent free of charge were sent to missionaries in Central and South America: Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Colombia, and Venezuela. Pray for these servants of the Lord as they reach out to the lost and build up the saints.

Wed. 6 Pray that the Lord would bless Dwana Bondt who blesses the staff and volunteers with baked goodies from time to time!!

Thurs. 7 Pray that the Lord may give Grace Spence His joy as she packs box after box for shipment around the world as well as prepares boxes of newly printed books for storage in our warehouse.

Fri. 8 Praise the Lord for the trouble-free operation of the "UV Coater" as it puts a glossy, protective coating on the books.

Sat. 9 Remember to uphold the prison ministries as they seek to "reach behind the bars" with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Sun. 10 Praise the Lord for progress made in the revitalization project of our Old Testament commentaries. They have new coordinating covers and updated interiors. There are just three titles left to complete.

Mon. 11 Praise the Lord for the ACCTS containers which transport many EPI books to Zambia safely and economically. Pray that missionaries may send their requests sooner rather than later for books they wish to receive via the containers in April.

Tues. 12 Almost every day Grace Spence heads off to the post office with parcels to be shipped. Pray that the Lord's hand would guide each parcel safely to its destination.

Wed. 13 One way some missionaries use to distribute EPI books is to take them to conferences. Pray that the Lord would multiply the impact in the lives of those attending the conferences as they obtain books for further study and growth in the things of God.

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Thurs. 14 *“You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,” and ‘your neighbor as yourself,’”* Luke 10:27 NKJV. *“For this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you,”* 1 Thessalonians 5:18 NKJV.

Fri. 15 Pray for safekeeping for staff and volunteers when they need to travel on winter roads. Pray also for the Lord’s protection for us all from the flu and cold “bugs” which put such a damper on life and also hamper productivity.

Sat. 16 Pray that Sara may make steady progress on the Spanish and Portuguese projects she is working on this month.

Sun. 17 *“And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son,”* John 14:13 NKJV. Praise the Lord for our faithful prayer warriors who “ask in His name” on behalf of EPI. Pray that all would bring glory to the Son.

Mon. 18 Pray for carefulness and accuracy for translators, translation checkers, and proofreaders. Pray for the Lord’s protection from making errors that may cause confusion or lead astray.

Tues. 19 Pray for peace in DR Congo. Pray for safety for the believers and for the Bibles, books, and hymn books that have been sent.

Wed. 20 Pray for Harold as he organizes the volunteers and tries to keep them busy but not too busy! Pray for wisdom in directing projects to the various volunteers off site.

Thurs. 21 Give thanks to the Lord for His “untiring servants”, Don DeBaeremaeker, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, Tom and Hilda Parkinson, Jimmy Rollo, John Storm, and Brian Cretney, who keep the “wheels turning” at EPI.

Fri. 22 *“Do everything without complaining or arguing. Then you will be innocent and without any wrong. You will be God’s children without fault. But you are living with crooked and mean people all around you, among whom you shine like stars in the dark world,”* Philippians 2:14,15 NCV. Pray that our lives would be so different that others will see us as shining stars!!

Sat. 23 Pray for “Timothys” to be raised up – people to whom could be passed the baton of various roles and responsibilities at EPI.

Sun. 24 Praise the Lord for the vastly improved methods of shipping to overseas missionaries. The days of waiting two years for books to arrive or for shipments to be returned seem to be in the past!

Mon. 25 Noel and Dwana request prayer as they raise Estella (3 yrs) and Mildred (21 mos); pray that they would show Christ to them day by day.

Tues. 26 Praise the Lord for the Congo Swahili PDF ‘books’ that are online for download on the EPI website. *Ask In My Name* in Swahili was downloaded 335 times and *Can We Know God?* in Swahili was downloaded 224 times in 2012. Pray that these books would be used of God to transform lives.

Wed. 27 From Gertrud: *“Pray for lasting peace in N.E. Congo. Pray that the shipping of 3000 copies of Believer’s Bible Commentary, Vol. 1 in Congo Swahili being currently printed, will not be delayed.”*

Thurs. 28 Customs restrictions make it very expensive, if not impossible, for many in South America to receive our books. Pray that these restrictions may be lifted.