



DAILY PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE GLOBAL OUTREACH OF E.P.I.

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Fri. 1 *"He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end,"* Ecclesiastes 3:11 NKJV. Pray that we may live and serve in the light of eternity as we move through 2016.

Sat. 2 Pray for Noel Bondt as he continues to see his medical specialists (heart and cancer) in the New Year.

Sun. 3 Praise the Lord for the wonderful evening of fellowship at the EPI Christmas Dinner – so thankful for the large number that were able to be together!

Mon. 4 Praise the Lord for answered prayer: two new EPI Board Members were elected at the Annual Meeting. Welcome to Brendan McIntyre (Toronto) and Nathan Griffiths (Burlington). Pray for them as they seek to be a blessing in the Lord's work at EPI.

Tues. 5 Gertrud Harlow has stepped down from the EPI Board of Directors and has accepted the position of Director Emeritus. She will still be informed and have a voice in the workings of EPI but will leave room for others to be appointed to the board. She has served since its inception in 1964, and we praise the Lord for her vision and godly wisdom.

Wed. 6 EPI recently introduced our new logo which captures the original vision of Dr. Harlow to "feed the Lord's sheep". The design combines a sheep, a person, and a book. May this ever remain our focus until the Great Shepherd comes to gather all His sheep and take them Home!

Thurs. 7 Join Sara Townsend in thanking the Lord for an improved energy level, apparently due to a change of medication (PED (*Pray Every Day*) Feb. 9, 2015). However, ongoing prayer for wisdom in pacing herself and in apportioning time and strength to her various responsibilities is still relevant!

Fri. 8 From Brian and Jackie Cretney: *"Please pray that 2016 will see each of our four children growing stronger in their faith and living that faith out at school."*

Sat. 9 Praise the Lord for His abundant provision of grace and wisdom at the EPI Annual Meetings held in late November. This year's meetings were exceptionally profitable, productive, and encouraging.

Sun. 10 We were encouraged to see another order for Chile leave the warehouse in October. Please join us in thanking the Lord for the faithful labors of Jim Elliott as for the past 17 years he has faithfully facilitated the pickup of books from EPI, the consolidating of them with other needed items, and then the shipping of the lot to David Rodgers in Chile.

Mon. 11 Praise the Lord for Alma Turnbull and her faithful service to the Lord at EPI and at Bethany Courts. Pray for Alma as she perseveres dealing with computer updates, administrative work, and seeking direction in future decisions.

Tues. 12 Praise the Lord for leading us to a printer in Holland who is able to produce the Congo Swahili Bible for us at a considerable savings per copy compared to other printers.

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Wed. 13 From Gail Beach: *“Praise the Lord for the unexpected positive results from the rheumatologist, with no follow-up needed”* (PED Nov. 4).

Thurs. 14 Praise the Lord for the efficient way the printing equipment is working (very minimal downtime) which keeps things humming in the print shop. This keeps the Production Manager humming as well!

Fri. 15 Praise the Lord that an order for 75,000 Congo Swahili Bibles was placed in early December. Pray that the Lord may expedite the printing, shipping, passing through customs, and delivery of this long-awaited Bible.

Sat. 16 Praise the Lord that funds are in hand for the purchase of a new binder for the print shop. Please pray that the search for a multi-clamp perfect binder would go well. Our faithful single-clamp binding machine is working well but has become a bottleneck.

Sun. 17 Thank the Lord for Julie Harris de Ochoa’s cheerful, willing help with our Spanish work: checking translations and from time to time doing translations. Pray for improved health, particularly that her blood pressure may stabilize at a good level.

Mon. 18 Pray that missionaries who wish to receive books via the spring ACCTS containers to Zambia may send their requests sooner rather than later so that printing, binding, and packing can be completed in good time and in good order.

Tues. 19 Praise the Lord that the first of two 20-foot containers of EPI books and ECS courses was full and ready to be shipped to the D.R. Congo in December. It was anticipated as we went to press that it would be shipped in early-to-mid January. Pray for safety in transit and for safe delivery to its intended destination.

Wed. 20 Please pray that our dear sister, Gertrud Harlow, would experience God’s power in a real way as she presses on in her labors for the Lord. May the “joy of the Lord” be her constant strength.

Thurs. 21 Join Harold and Barb MacDougall in praying for their children: Jen and AJ, seeking employment; Robert, studying at university and recently engaged; and Iain, looking to the Lord for future direction.

Fri. 22 Pray for careful attention to detail for those who proofread newly typeset books. Pray that proofreading of headers and footers and other such peripheral material will not be overlooked.

Sat. 23 Pray that the skid of books being sent to the assemblies in Uruguay would be a blessing (PED July 5, Oct. 26). The Russells are very excited and eager to begin using this new resource in their ministry.

Sun. 24 *“Prayer is the mightiest agent to advance God’s work,”* E. M. Bounds. We are thankful for those who pray and are part of the advancement of God’s work through EPI!

Mon. 25 Pray that busy staff would know the Lord’s hand of help in organizing and prioritizing heavy workloads!

Tues. 26 Pray that we at EPI would be sensitive to changing needs and opportunities of His church around the world. Pray that our “sheep food” would always be fresh and nutritious.

Wed. 27 Praise the Lord for the tools of technology that EPI is using: website, YouTube, and Facebook. Pray that they would accomplish what the Lord desires both for saint and sinner!

Thurs. 28 Pray for safety for volunteers and staff who have some distance to drive to get to the office on sometimes hazardous winter roads. Pray as well for safety for all in crossing our sometimes icy parking lot!

Fri. 29 Praise the Lord for a new opportunity to come alongside His servants as we have received a request from Emmaus Correspondence School Ministries in Peru.

Sat. 30 Praise the Lord for our hardworking and faithful volunteers: Tom and Hilda Parkinson, Jimmy Rollo, along with occasional help from Caleb Beach, Iain MacDougall, and Rob Cretney. Pray for energy and encouragement for our stalwart fellow workers!

Sun. 31 From Brian Cretney: *“All the details are just about in place for our trip to the D.R. Congo (Feb. 4-16). Don MacMullen and I will be going over to do some follow-up work regarding the resources EPI has sent there over the years. We also hope to encourage the saints and make a film about the Lord’s work going on in that part of the globe.”* Pray for health and safety in their travels.



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Mon. 1 *"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever,"* Psalm 111:10 NKJV.

Tues. 2 Pray for wisdom as Harold seeks to balance assembly, family, and EPI responsibilities.

Wed. 3 Pray that Noel and Dwana Bondt may know the joy of the Lord in the midst of busy family life, and that Estella and Mildred would be saved at an early age.

Thurs. 4 Lord willing, *Desert Journey* (Portuguese) has reached "typeset copy needing to be proofread" state by now. Pray for health, time, and alertness to catch things that need changing as Margarida Cerqueira, Marjorie Beckwith, and Sara proofread it.

Fri. 5 Pray for the ongoing work of *New Life Prison Ministries*. In November, 2250 correspondence courses were sent out. Pray for the light of the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ to shine into needy hearts.

Sat. 6 Continue to praise the Lord for the protection of the facilities at 310 Killaly Street West, Port Colborne! We are thankful for what may have been averted that we know not of! The Lord is all wise.

Sun. 7 We stand amazed in the presence of our Lord and exclaim, 'How marvellous! How wonderful!' as we see His timely financial provision for His work at EPI. We have seen Isaiah 65:24 fulfilled before our eyes – *"It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear."*

Mon. 8 From Brian: *"Please pray that our family would seize all opportunities to build meaningful relationships with those in our new neighbourhood."*

Tues. 9 Pray that the Lord may lead Sara day by day in establishing priorities for the various projects (Spanish, Portuguese, some English proofreading) for which she has responsibility.

Wed. 10 Pray for Gertrud in her "labor of love" for the people of Congo, as she perseveres with the Congo Swahili *Believer's Bible Commentary, Vol. 3* (1 Thess. to Rev.).

Thurs. 11 Pray for wisdom as Alma apportions her time between her different responsibilities. Pray also for health and strength for each day and each task.

Fri. 12 Pray for renewed strength for Don and Brian as they wrap up their time in D.R. Congo. Pray for safekeeping as they travel back to Canada.

Sat. 13 Pray for continued wisdom for staff in knowing how the Lord would have us "honor" aging parents.

Sun. 14 *"Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,"* 1 Peter 1:22 NKJV. Pray that we may all have a sincere and fervent love for each other.

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Mon. 15 From Mark and Gail: *“Please pray for our children: ‘that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give [them] the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of [their] hearts enlightened, that [they] may know what is the hope to which he has called [them], what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe’,”* Eph. 1:17-19a ESV.

Tues. 16 From Brian: *“Please continue to pray for the Lord to richly bless our new book by Randy Amos, **What is the Christian Faith? (if all we had was the Bible).**”*

Wed. 17 Pray that whenever the Lord returns, He would find EPI and its workers faithful to Him and to His Word.

Thurs. 18 Pray for Noel that he would continue to have strength and wisdom to carry out his responsibilities in a manner pleasing to the Lord.

Fri. 19 From Bruce and Marilyn Poidevin, missionaries in Zambia: *“Thank you very much for the books sent on the ACCTS container. We appreciate receiving them very much. Another man came from Congo for books; he took books mostly in French.”*

Sat. 20 Praise the Lord for the ACCTS containers which facilitate the shipping of our books to missionaries in Zambia and southern D.R. Congo (who pick them up in Zambia).

Sun. 21 From David Rodgers, missionary in Chile: *“We are so thankful for this provision of the books, which continue to have an ongoing demand in the work here in Chile. We pray for the EPI team that humanly speaking make it possible, and are sharers with us as servants of the Lord. The contribution that it makes to the work of the Lord around the world is impossible for us to quantify, but the Lord knows the correct evaluation. Even now, in faith, we can rejoice together for the privilege of being workers together with Him.”*

Mon. 22 Pray for wisdom for Harold as he keeps equipment running. Praise the Lord for the many times he has *not* had to call for outside help.

Tues. 23 Continue to pray for the Lord’s hand of protection to be evident as the Congo Swahili Bibles are in transit. Pray that all who long for His Word may soon obtain a copy and may be given good understanding as they read it and seek to apply it in their lives.

Wed. 24 Pray for the hundreds of people in Spain, Honduras, Panama, and the United States who are reading either the Spanish or the English booklet, ***Cain and Abel***, by Carl Knott. Pray for their salvation.

Thurs. 25 Praise the Lord for the way Brian Cretney’s “book trailers” have helped missionaries and others learn about new and refurbished EPI titles.

Fri. 26 Pray for the Lord’s continuous protection of the first of two containers of EPI books and ECS courses in Swahili en route to patient saints waiting in D.R. Congo. Pray for a speedy and uncomplicated release from Customs followed by widespread and effective distribution.

Sat. 27 Pray for Barb MacDougall to have wisdom in discerning the Lord’s direction for daily responsibilities.

Sun. 28 Pray that the Lord would use the EPI website for worldwide blessing to His people and the lost.

Mon. 29 Pray today for all the children of EPI workers. They are all at different ages and stages in their walk with the Lord, but our prayer is the same for them all: That they would love the Lord their God with all their heart, soul, strength, and mind.