

Pray *Every Day* for EVERYDAY

*Daily prayer requests for
the overseas literature outreach of*

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Mon. 1 “So they read distinctly from the book, in the Law of God; and they gave the sense, and helped them to understand the reading...And all the people went their way to...rejoice greatly, because they understood the words that were declared to them,” Nehemiah 8:8,12 NKJV. Praise the Lord today for the privilege that is ours of producing easy-to-understand Bible teaching materials!

Tues. 2 Pray that we may remain focused on the special sphere of ministry the Lord has entrusted to us: producing Bible study materials in simple language for the edification of those with limited language skills or education.

Wed. 3 Praise the Lord for the safe arrival of Estella Florence Eileen Bondt on Dec. 23, 2009 (PED (*Pray Every Day*) Dec. 28)! Noel requests prayer for Dwana and Estella “during these first few months of little sleep and growing.”

Thurs. 4 Pray that the Lord may prosper Harold MacDougall, our volunteers, and Grace Spence as they give priority this month to printing, “finishing” and packing the books needed to fill orders to go in the ACCTS containers to Zambia in April (PED Jan. 30).

Fri. 5 There had been no definitive action on Gertrud Harlow’s application for Permanent Resident status in the U.S. at time of writing, so please continue to commit this to the Lord, asking for a favorable outcome (PED Jan. 5).

Sat. 6 From Mark Beach: “I will have a lot of preparations to make for the Congo/Zambia trip [in April] (message preparation, visas, etc.) which will no doubt keep me busy during the month of March. Please pray for God’s wisdom and enabling to get all things done decently and in order.”

Sun. 7 Praise the Lord for 1,470 books ordered by 3 different prison ministries in North America in December and January. Pray that some of the prisoners who study these books will be led to the Savior and others will be greatly strengthened in their faith.

Mon. 8 Pray that the Swahili and French books and the Swahili Bibles sent via container to D.R. Congo will be wisely distributed, will be read, and will have a strong impact for eternity on the lives of the readers (PED March 5, 2009; Jan. 3).

Tues. 9 Pray for wisdom for Sara Townsend in pacing herself in her work and in her involvement in some of the ladies’ ministries at Portal Village Bible Chapel. Pray for an encouraging report from her follow-up visit to her rheumatologist today (PED Jan. 20).

Wed. 10 From Mark: “Our application for Permanent Resident status (*Landed Immigrant*) [in Canada] is progressing well. Please pray for a swift and successful conclusion to this process” (PED Sept. 24, Jan. 6).

Thurs. 11 Praise the Lord that Cidinha Moss has finished her translation of *Church of the Book* into Portuguese (PED Nov. 21).

Fri. 12 Noel requests prayer for good progress on “the programming of an internal application we call *EPI main*”, which allows for the efficient management of various mailing lists, among other things (PED Feb. 15).

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Sat. 13 Please pray for safety for our books that are now in transit, asking that they might all arrive at their intended destination in good time and without undue Customs charges.

Sun. 14 Praise the Lord for *each* of the 3,080 books distributed in December and January. Pray for multiplied blessing, first to the person or persons reading the book and then to those with whom they share what they have learned.

Mon. 15 Pray that Grace may have the health and strength she needs for the physically demanding work of “pulling” and “packing” our books to fill the many orders, large and small, that come to us.

Tues. 16 Join Gertrud in praising the Lord “*for enabling me to approach the end of the preliminary translation of the third Gospel of William MacDonald’s **Believer’s Bible Commentary**. Thanks to all my coworkers in prayer!*” (PED Feb. 4).

Wed. 17 Pray for the Lord’s hand of blessing and help for those who are working on a new title to be published by EPI. Pray that each may find the necessary blocks of time to give to the task and bring it to completion.

Thurs. 18 Please continue to pray for wisdom in the timing and arrangements for additional printings of the Swahili Bible and the Swahili hymn book (PED Jan. 9, Feb. 7).

Fri. 19 Join Alma Turnbull in praising the Lord that she has completed reformatting *Matthew: Presenting Jesus the King*. Pray for her as she continues work now on *Alive and Free*, Dr. Harlow’s commentary on Romans (PED Feb. 8).

Sat. 20 Thank the Lord that Andrew Rennie has completed preparation of an English test booklet to go with *Two Letters from Peter*. Pray for him as he now translates it into Spanish (PED Jan. 19).

Sun. 21 Praise the Lord for 4,457 books sent “no charge” to missionaries and national workers in the Philippines, Burundi, Panama, Spain, Brazil, Mexico, Peru, and Ecuador in November, December, and January. Pray as led.

Mon. 22 Pray for encouragement for Production Manager Harold MacDougall as he oversees both the printing and the work of the volunteers in “finishing” books to be sent in the ACCTS containers to Zambia next month.

Tues. 23 Thank the Lord that the renovations to our print shop and lunch area undertaken in January were completed with little disruption (PED Jan. 13).

Wed. 24 The two current black and white printers are each approaching the 10 million impression mark, their deemed lifespan. Pray for the Lord’s perfect timing in replacing these well-used printers (PED May 27, Jan. 15).

Thurs. 25 Pray that the Lord may prosper all who are currently translating an EPI title into a language we do not publish. Pray that He may provide all that they need for the translation to be completed, reviewed, and printed.

Fri. 26 Thank the Lord for Barbara MacDougall’s cheerful service at the “front desk” on Mondays, Wednesdays, and alternate Fridays. Pray that her eye situation will remain stable (PED Jan. 27).

Sat. 27 It would be easy to become complacent and take for granted the Lord’s faithful provision for the work. Pray that it may never be so, at the same time giving thanks for His tender care “hitherto”, largely through the sacrificial giving of His people.

Sun. 28 Praise the Lord that 81% of the 28,205 books sent out in the first third of our fiscal year went to Africa, Central and South America, and Asia!

Mon. 29 There are also many spiritually needy people in the so-called “developed” world. Pray for much blessing from our books which are distributed in Canada, the U.S., U.K., Australia, and Europe.

Tues. 30 From Mark: “*Pray for my preparations for the Semi-Annual meetings on May 8th. Since I will be gone most of April and won’t be returning until May 3rd or 4th, this will be a challenge.*”

Wed. 31 Join us in thanking the Lord today for all who have taken us on their hearts to present the work and workers before the throne of grace.

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Thurs. 1 “For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it,” Isaiah 55:10,11 NKJV.

Fri. 2 Pray that this weekend many EPI books may get into the hands of those keen to grow in their knowledge of the Lord and His Word as believers all over the world gather for Easter conferences where there are book tables.

Sat. 3 Give heartfelt thanks to the Lord for His protection of our equipment, building, and stock of books and supplies. Please commit them to His care and keeping regularly.

Sun. 4 “He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay,” Matt. 28:6 NKJV. Praise God today for an empty tomb and a *risen* Lord!

Mon. 5 A new editor for PED had not been designated at time of writing (PED Feb. 3). Please pray that the Lord may lead and that there may be a smooth transition of this responsibility, in His time.

Tues. 6 Pray for steady progress for Gertrud in the translation of the *Believers Bible Commentary - N.T.* into Swahili and the reformatting of Swahili Emmaus courses (PED Feb. 4). Pray also for relief from the pain in her hands.

Wed. 7 Inasmuch as EPI is both a ministry and a business, pray for much wisdom in maintaining a proper balance between “our reason for being” and good business practices.

Thurs. 8 Pray for wisdom for staff who have to deal with sales reps. Pray that they may be able to obtain necessary and helpful information without getting tangled up in time consuming and unprofitable “palaver”.

Fri. 9 Join Noel in praising the Lord for allowing him to continue to work full time with relatively good health (PED Jan. 22). Please keep Noel’s health in your prayers.

Sat. 10 Pray for safety and good health for Executive Director Mark Beach as he leaves for D.R. Congo and Zambia today, D.V. Pray for safety in travel all along the way.

Sun. 11 Thank the Lord for the privilege of printing the specialized-for-use-with-prisoners courses developed by New Life Prison Ministries, including translations into French of these courses. Pray for much blessing from the 3 French courses printed for them in January.

Mon. 12 Pray that Mark’s time in Bunia, D.R. Congo, may be profitable as he visits Shalom University this week and gets a firsthand look at the distribution of the Swahili Bibles, hymn books, and EPI Swahili and French books sent in the two containers.

Tues. 13 Pray for Gail Beach’s encouragement this month in the routines of “keeping track of the numbers”. Pray that things will go smoothly at home, also, while Mark is away.

Wed. 14 Ask the Lord to guide Della Letkeman as she prepares the agenda for the Editorial Committee meeting May 8th.

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Thurs. 15 Pray for the Lord's richest blessing for our faithful corps of volunteers who come to us regularly or "as needed": Arthur and Mary Jane Robinson, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, John Storm, Jimmy Rollo, Tom and Hilda Parkinson, and Don DeBaeremaeker.

Fri. 16 Pray for wisdom, health, and strength for Production Manager Harold MacDougall in fulfilling all of his responsibilities this month.

Sat. 17 Mark is scheduled to take meetings in various assemblies in Zambia now through the 25th. Pray for mutual blessing as he ministers to and fellowships with nationals and missionaries.

Sun. 18 From Margie Gould (Zambia): *"I... received a letter...from one of our brothers in Angola...They would really like some more Portuguese literature to distribute, both for the Gospel and also to help the Christians. If possible, could you please send an assortment...They like the question booklets as well and it seems to make them read more diligently."*

Mon. 19 Thank the Lord for the 2,500+ Portuguese books being sent via ACCTS container to Zambia this month in response to the above request. Pray that the Lord may smooth the way for their expeditious delivery to Loloma and thence into Angola over "horrendous roads".

Tues. 20 Pray for good health for Alma in the somewhat physically stressful work of reformatting, which can strain the eyes, wrists, hands, and back. Pray that the Lord may give her joy in her work.

Wed. 21 Thank the Lord for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hanniel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen. Pray for His leading as they give thought and prayer to business to be considered at the Semi-annual Meeting May 8th.

Thurs. 22 Pray that Sara may have a keen sense of the Lord's leading in setting priorities for her work and may then enjoy His daily leading and enabling in doing the necessary work.

Fri. 23 From Gertrud: *"Praise the Lord for thousands of EPI commentaries in Congo Swahili and French circulating in Congo at present. Pray for eternal fruit in the lives of the readers."*

Sat. 24 Thank the Lord today for the ISAL M-bag service of the U.S. Postal Department which has greatly facilitated the shipping of our books to many overseas destinations.

Sun. 25 Pray for renewed strength for Mark as he speaks at a Workers' and Elders' conference in Chingola, Zambia, today through the 30th. Pray that he may minister the Word in the power of the Spirit for great encouragement to the saints.

Mon. 26 Praise the Lord that there are now expanded answer keys for the test booklets that go with our OT commentaries through Proverbs.

Tues. 27 Pray for much wisdom in the ongoing review of our other test booklets and the preparation of expanded answer keys to go with them.

Wed. 28 Thank the Lord for Mark's diligence in researching copyright law and developing new "translation" and "printing" permission agreement forms that clearly set out both EPI's and the "would be" translator or printer's rights and responsibilities.

Thurs. 29 From Noel: *"Praise the Lord for using the EPI web site to reach people about Everyday Publications."* Pray that the Lord may continue to bless this means of making our books known.

Fri. 30 Pray for clear direction for Iain MacDougall as he seeks the Lord's mind for "what next" after he graduates from high school this June.