

# Pray *Every Day* for EVERYDAY



Daily prayer requests for the overseas literature outreach of  
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## March 2017

**Wed. 1** “He [Abraham] did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being **fully convinced** that what He had promised He was also able to perform,” Romans 4:20,21 NKJV. Pray that we would all be **fully convinced** that our Almighty God is all powerful!

**Thurs. 2** Praise the Lord that volume 2 (of 3) of the **Believer’s Bible Commentary** in Congo Swahili is on its way to DR Congo. Pray for the Lord’s help for Mert and Jane Wolcott as they are checking the first half of Hebrews, and for Gertrud Harlow as she brings the translation of Hebrews to a conclusion. The rheumatoid arthritis in both hands is not cooperating. Gertrud adds “So glad that the Lord gave us **TEN fingers!**”

**Fri. 3** From Alma Turnbull: “I have been thinking of Martha recently, and even though not much was said about her I can appreciate the fact that she opened up her home to Jesus. She prepared a meal in honor of Jesus, and served it to Him. Lazarus and Mary were both there, and they gave honor to Jesus in very significant ways too. Perhaps my service at EPI bears a similarity to Martha in the sense that the Lord gives each of us something to do that will bring honor to Him and that was for a season!”

**Sat. 4** Continued from Alma “So, that leads me to accept the fact that the Lord blessed me during my many years of typesetting books about the Bible, which has brought help and blessing to many. Now I feel confident that He has a quieter, more age-appropriate ministry of prayer and encouragement for me, until He calls me Home! Praise the Lord!” We are thankful for the way Alma has honored the Lord in her service at EPI and know that she will continue to honor her Lord in the days ahead!

**Sun. 5** From a praying saint: “I am receiving the bimonthly PED regularly and I am praying for this ministry, yours in Christ.” What encouragement! Praise the Lord for faithful ones who pray!

**Mon. 6** From Barb MacDougall: “Pray for a good visit as I travel to be with Mom on her 90th birthday, March 8th, in Moncton, NB. The dementia is gaining ground and Mom is losing weight dramatically. Pray for the Lord’s comfort for Mom and all her children as we spend time with her.”

**Tues. 7** Praise the Lord for help given in the selection, ordering, and payment of a new perfect binding machine. Pray for a smooth installation, training, and operation implementation.

**Wed. 8** Pray for the Lord’s enablement for the printing necessary to fulfill the requests for EPI books for the Spring ACCTS container to Zambia.

**Thurs. 9** Please join Mark and Gail in praising the Lord for a wonderful, Christ-honoring ceremony joining Thirza Beach and Jun Hyeog Park in marriage on February 9th! Dad (Mark) even managed to get his beloved daughter down the aisle with a minimum of tears and a maximum of joy!

**Fri. 10** From Brian Cretney: “Pray that the film **Light in the Congo** (Spring 2017 DV) will be used by the Lord in many different ways; chiefly that His people will be inspired to lead lives marked by simple obedience and spiritual ambition, lives that will make a mark on both time and eternity.”

**Sat. 11** Praise the Lord for a New Zealand assembly missionary who received and distributed 10,000 Bibles in southern DR Congo last year! Pray for great blessing to result.

**Sun. 12** From Marcia VanderLaan, missionary to Colombia: *“Dear folks at Everyday Publications, Thank you for all you do for the Lord’s people on the mission fields through the EPI literature.”*

**Mon. 13** Pray for Noel Bondt to remain healthy this winter during the “flu and cold season”. Pray for daily strength with his responsibilities with family and home life.

**Tues. 14** Praise the Lord for a most productive print shop. Praise for the dependable equipment and volunteers! In November there were 19,314 books printed and 2,623 items for outside print jobs!

**Wed. 15** Pray that the Lord may prosper Sara Townsend as she continues reviewing a new translation of the Portuguese version of *Can We Know God?* this month.

**Thurs. 16** Praise the Lord for the visit Don MacMullen, Brian Cretney, and Harold MacDougall had with Dr Katho of the DR Congo in mid-February in Grand Rapids, MI since Dr Katho was unable to obtain a visa to come to Canada. A profitable time was had discussing the future of the work in DR Congo and the distribution of EPI books and Bibles.

**Fri. 17** In January, 2,640 books were printed and shipped to *New Life Prison Ministries* in Arva, Ontario. Pray for lives to be changed as inmates study the Word of God.

**Sat. 18** Praise the Lord for the volume of books going out around the world from EPI in the first three months of the fiscal year. The top three areas are Africa - 4,375, Central and South America - 3,195, and Canada - 2,189, with a grand total of 10,756 books being shipped out. Pray for the Spirit of God to use these books as tools in the lives of many people.

**Sun. 19** From Samuel and Ann Davidson, U.K. missionaries to Brazil: *“We want to thank you for the Portuguese books received. These are very useful in the Lord’s work here. We appreciate your ministry and wish you all of God’s rich blessings in 2017.”*

**Mon. 20** Praise the Lord for help given to Noel as he diligently worked on getting the EPI computer server up and running after it crashed. Happy to report that the day-to-day operation is stable and holding.

**Tues. 21** Pray for Rob, Ben, Ian, and Olivia Cretney that they would “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ”. Pray for the Lord’s wisdom for Brian and Jackie in the busy-ness of daily life.

**Wed. 22** Pray for a good balance between careful review and preparation of books for printing and timeliness in seeing them actually go into print.

**Thurs 23** From Noel: *“Thank you for praying these past few months during software and hardware upgrades. Praise the Lord for His provision in strength and wisdom.”*

**Fri. 24** Pray for directors Steve Adams, Ron Gee, Nathan Griffiths, Bill Letkeman, Brendan McIntyre, and Don MacMullen as they look to the Lord for wisdom in directing the work at EPI.

**Sat. 25** Praise the Lord for His provision of a new office printer for our front office!

**Sun. 26** Praise the Lord for the fourteen gifts of faithful financial support from assemblies in November and December, not to mention gifts from individuals – God’s work supported by God’s people!

**Mon. 27** Pray for the Lord’s hand of protection over the EPI facilities and the valuable equipment within.

**Tues. 28** Pray for a swift and uneventful journey for Congo Container # 2 as it makes the long journey to Bunia, DR Congo.

**Wed. 29** Praise the Lord that final copy for the Spanish translation of *What’s Up with Worship?* by Gary McBride was turned in for printing in January (PED Jan. 16). Pray for widespread distribution and for much blessing to the Lord’s people throughout the Spanish-speaking world.

**Thurs. 30** Pray for Dwana Bondt as she continues with home schooling Estella and Mildred and pouring the Word of God into these young girls’ lives.

**Fri. 31** *“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him,”* Hebrews 11:6 NKJV. Pleasing our God by believing Him and diligently seeking Him is all that He desires. May it be so for His Name’s sake!

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## April 2017

**Sat. 1** “If God is for us, who can be against us?” Romans 8:31 NKJV. The devil and his demons are no match for our great all-powerful God!! Pray on!

**Sun. 2** From Mark: “We were encouraged to receive two large gifts....A gift of \$28,000 USD was received from an anonymous donor designated for ‘the Printing Equipment Fund.’ Also, we received a gift of \$50,000 USD for the next printing of the Congo Swahili Bible.” Praise the Lord for His provision!!

**Mon. 3** Please pray for Thirza and Jun as they return to South Korea today to establish their home.

**Tues. 4** From Harold: “Praise the Lord for the new perfect binder which arrived on February 21. Praise the Lord that the old machine was bought back by the company that sold it to us many years ago.”

**Wed. 5** “...We also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope,” Romans 5:3,4 NKJV. Pray for Gertrud that she would glory in tribulation, persevering daily as Christ’s character is developed in her because of the Hope set before her.

**Thurs. 6** Brian Cretney is reformatting **Church Growth** by Dr. Harlow. This book explains how a local church grows according to God’s plan. Pray that it would be a help to local church leaders.

**Fri. 7** Pray for daily help for Noel as he continues working with shipping, warehouse, and inventory responsibilities.

**Sat. 8** Pray for wisdom and help for Mark in managing the many demands on his time at EPI.

**Sun. 9** From Harold and Barb: “Praise the Lord for the lovely visit we had with Gertrud in ‘Park of the Palms’ in December! It was very special to see her in her own environment and understand the amazing way she can work with all the difficulties she must surmount! It was a blessing to be with her!”

**Mon. 10** From Harold: “Pray for help as we learn all of the features of the new binding machine. Pray that it would be a great blessing to us for the years ahead.”

**Tues. 11** Pray for the Lord’s wisdom and enablement in the production of French and Congo Swahili children’s ministry materials for the 60,000+ children in northeast DR Congo.

**Wed. 12** Pray that the Lord may overrule so that there will be a smooth and timely workflow of projects between the various people involved (e.g., from translator to preliminary formatter to translation checker to typesetter to proofreader to final typesetter to printer to binder to trimmer to packer), all of whom have numerous “other” projects and responsibilities also demanding their time and attention.

**Thurs. 13** Praise the Lord that the EPI website has recently had orders for the Congo Swahili Bible from Congolese believers in the USA. Pray for blessing.

**Fri. 14** “Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders, said, ‘He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him’,” Matthew 27:41-42 NKJV. The Lord Jesus would not save Himself from the cross so He could save us, Hallelujah!

**Sat. 15** Pray for the Word of God to go forth in power at various conferences this Easter weekend. Pray for blessing at the EPI book table as contacts are made and books sold, DV.

**Sun. 16** “Who can say God’s people are guilty? No one, because Christ Jesus died, but He was also raised from the dead, and now He is on God’s right side, appealing to God for us,” Romans 8:34 NCV. He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!!

**Mon. 17** Pray that Sara may have improved energy with the return of spring. Pray for much wisdom in pacing herself for optimum productivity in her EPI, assembly, and personal responsibilities.

**Tues. 18** Praise the Lord for the mountain of work our volunteers Jimmy Rollo, Tom and Hilda Parkinson, and Don Brooks have accomplished in January and February!

**Wed. 19** We praise the Lord for new volunteer Don Brooks, missionary to Zambia, who is helping out while home here in Port Colborne. Pray for Don as he grieves the homecall of his dear wife Elva.

**Thurs. 20** Many aspects of the work of translation, editing, and proofreading are very tedious and detail-driven and therefore...mind-numbing! Pray for the Lord's strength, help, and encouragement for those tasked with those tasks.

**Fri. 21** Praise the Lord for the servant heart of Brian Cretney and his God-given love and gift of encouragement to the Lord's people.

**Sat. 22** Pray for wisdom for Noel as he looks into updating and developing a fresh new look for the EPI website.

**Sun. 23** *"Prayer is not the foe to work, it does not paralyze activity. It works mightily; prayer itself is the greatest work,"* E. M. Bounds. It is with grateful hearts that we recognize those who pray are doing the greatest work!

**Mon. 24** Pray that the information going out from EPI in ***Impressions*** and the Quarterly Reports will be an encouragement to the Body of Christ and result in praise to our God and petitions on our behalf.

**Tues. 25** Pray for the Lord's strengthening and preservation of the bond of unity for the commended workers of EPI. The enemy never ceases in his efforts to divide and discourage.

**Wed. 26** Pray for Noel and Dwana that they will remain strong in their faith. *"But without faith it is impossible to please Him,"* Hebrews 11:6 NKJV.

**Thurs. 27** We cannot thank the Lord enough for the ministry of ACCTS in sending containers to Zambia! Pray for safety for the containers currently in transit (with many EPI books on board) and for quick release from customs upon arrival.

**Fri. 28** Pray for wisdom for Della Letkeman as she prepares the agenda for the Editorial Committee meeting scheduled for May 13th. Pray for timely submission to her of all information required.

**Sat. 29** Pray that the directors may discern the mind of the Lord for the work as they prepare for the Semi-Annual Meeting on May 13th, Lord willing.

**Sun. 30** From a prisoner connected with ***New Life Prison Ministries*** in Ontario: *"In the past month I have begun to read the Bible front to back...If you could send me the Everyday Publications, **The Way Out and the Way In, Exodus and Leviticus**, it would be greatly appreciated. I would like to do each of the Everyday Publications Old Testament studies in order. Thank you for your help and prayers. J."* Praise the Lord and continue to pray!