

Pray *Every Day* for EVERYDAY

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Sun. 1 *“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord,”* 1 Corinthians 15:58 NKJV.

Mon. 2 Praise the Lord for the arrival of display banners that were delivered in time for the many upcoming EPI book tables. They give an overview of the work and goals of EPI. Pray that they would be a useful tool in the Lord’s hand.

Tues. 3 Pray for those attending the Ontario Workers’ and Elders’ Conference, May 3-5, that the Word of God would impact each one and that all would be changed in some way for His glory.

Wed. 4 Pray for safety in travel and strength for Alma Turnbull as she leaves Zambia to return to Canada, having left for Zambia on April 2 to spend most of April at Chitokoloki gathering information for a book about God’s wonderful work at that mission station (PED (*Pray Every Day*) April 2).

Thurs. 5 Pray that those at the Ontario Workers’ and Elders’ Conference would take advantage of the EPI book table and that many more would become aware of books that could be helpful in their assemblies.

Fri. 6 Pray for Mark Beach as he prepares for the Semi-Annual Meeting on May 12. Pray for time and energy to get everything prepared.

Sat. 7 Rejoice with Harold and Barb MacDougall as their daughter Jen marries A.J. McBlain today. Pray for a happy family time together and that the Lord would be honored.

Sun. 8 Praise the Lord for Alma’s trip to Zambia. At time of writing she was experiencing life at Chitokoloki Mission Station. Among other things, she reports that there are 973 students at the school, and she has interviewed men that were some of the first students. Pray that she will now be able to compile all the information she gathered for writing a book on the 100 years of Chitokoloki Mission Station.

Mon. 9 Congratulations to EPI President Don MacMullen and his wife Marilyn on the arrival of their first grandchild. Alistair Donald Andrew Griffiths was born to their daughter Annie and her husband Nathan on April 13. Praise the Lord that all are doing well.

Tues. 10 Pray for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hanniel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen as they prepare for the Semi-Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 12. Pray for wisdom from the Lord to be given to each one so that the Lord Himself will be able to guide and direct. Gertrud will be there only in thought and prayer.

Wed. 11 Pray that the Editorial Committee will have a profitable and productive time as they meet tomorrow. Pray that the Lord may lead in all decisions made.

Thurs. 12 The EPI Semi-Annual Meeting is in Oakville today. Pray for good attendance and a spirit of unity as issues are discussed. Pray that the fellowship around the meeting tables would be sweet.

Fri. 13 Praise the Lord that the Great Physician has led Gail Beach to new treatments and medications to effectively manage her fibromyalgia symptoms. Continue to pray for wisdom and strength for each day.

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Sat. 14 Pray for Mark as he attends the Elders' ShopNotes Conference in Rochester, NY on May 14 to introduce and promote EPI's latest book project: the publication in book form of essays from the popular Elders' ShopNotes newsletters.

Sun. 15 Thank the Lord for both the privilege and the opportunity to serve other ministries. Praise the Lord for 16,200 items printed for Agape Valley Bible Camp in March.

Mon. 16 Pray that Portuguese translators Margarida Cerqueira and Cidinha Moss may make steady progress on the translations they are currently working on (PED Nov. 6).

Tues. 17 From Harold: *"Pray for wisdom in purchasing paper products for the print shop. Pray that the Lord would lead us to the right sources."*

Wed. 18 "Due dates" are not always accurate, so please pray for Noel and Dwana as they await the birth of their second child, due today. Pray that the Lord may grant the safe delivery of a healthy child, whenever the birth occurs, and for His wisdom and rich blessing for Noel and Dwana in raising their little ones for Him.

Thurs. 19 Thank the Lord for Eunice Free and Kathie Renaud, two new EPI authors. Pray for them as they work on new titles seeking to minister to women.

Fri. 20 Pray for wisdom for Sara Townsend as she reviews Spanish and Portuguese translations and prepares them for printing. Pray for perseverance and encouragement, as work on any given project is spread out over a considerable period of time.

Sat. 21 Praise the Lord for the last minute "surge" of orders for the Zambia ACCTS container, a real answer to prayer (PED Mar. 10). Pray that all books sent would arrive safely and be of great use to the Christians there.

Sun. 22 Thank the Lord for our volunteers who have served double duty this past month helping to get orders completed for the Zambia ACCTS container.

Mon. 23 Pray for Grace Spence as she labors in the warehouse preparing EPI books for shipping, especially as some of the orders are very large and time-consuming to fill. Pray for accuracy and stamina as she fulfills this vital part of the work.

Tues. 24 From Mark: *"Lord willing, the files for the Congo Swahili Bible and the Congo Swahili hymnbook should be going to the printer this month. Pray that production will go forward smoothly and without incident."*

Wed. 25 Pray that the 4,000 books printed for Angola in Chokwe and Portuguese would arrive safely as the last shipment of the Chokwe books was "water damaged" (PED Jan. 24/10).

Thurs. 26 Pray for the EPI informational display at the *Iron Sharpens Iron* Conference at Emmaus Bible College in Dubuque, Iowa, May 26-29. Pray that the Lord would use this display to introduce or re-introduce this ministry to many.

Fri. 27 From Harold: *"Pray for wisdom for the technicians from the various equipment vendors to be able to fix the equipment to our satisfaction. Please pray specifically for one enduring problem that, although it does not affect production, does affect the quality to a small degree."*

Sat. 28 Gertrud Harlow asks for prayer for the Lord's "day by day" enabling and wisdom for the ongoing translation into Congo Swahili of the **Believers Bible Commentary**.

Sun. 29 A former prisoner's answer to a **Rescued from Prisons** test booklet question: *"I suffered much both physically and emotionally while in prison. After I accepted Christ into my life while in prison my attitude changed and I accepted my suffering as it made me stronger in Christ."*

Mon. 30 Praise the Lord for 3,741 books sent out in March, bringing the total to 14,819 for the first half of the fiscal year. Pray that each book would be a help in bringing someone closer to the Lord and to understanding His will for them.

Tues. 31 Praise the Lord with Noel for a favorable report received from his "cancer checkup" (PED Mar. 9). Pray regarding a concern with his bone density that the deterioration would be kept to a minimum.

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Wed. 1 *“And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight,”* 1 John 3:22 NKJV. May we be ever conscious of obeying and pleasing Him.

Thurs. 2 Pray for Gertrud as she works on finalizing the first book (about 500 pages) in the Congo Swahili commentary series (Wm. MacDonald). She has started the translation of the second one (Romans to Colossians)

Fri. 3 Praise the Lord for the 1,250 books sent free of charge to missionaries in Botswana, Philippines, and Zambia in March. This brings the total for the first 6 months of the fiscal year to 6,026 books sent without charge to assembly-commended missionaries. Praise the Lord for His provision to continue to allow these books to be sent.

Sat. 4 Praise the Lord for each one who prays daily for the work of the Lord at EPI. Pray that prayer will not be hindered and that the enemy will not be able to distract these “prayer warriors” from the battle. Much of the battle is won “on our knees”.

Sun. 5 From Susan Blok (New Life Prison Ministries): *“Thank you for all you do to get the Word out to prisoners, ex-offenders and their families.”*

Mon. 6 Pray for Harold that he would have help in scheduling his work and completing projects on time. Pray for wisdom in bringing books through the various stages of production to their completion.

Tues. 7 Pray for those involved with Emmaus Correspondence School as they seek to incorporate EPI books into their English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish curriculums.

Wed. 8 Pray for the Lord’s protection for books in transit. Pray that they would arrive safely at their destinations and be a source of great blessing to God’s people.

Thurs. 9 All of us at Everyday Publications are thankful to be called to this work, but it can be very busy and wearing at times. Pray that the Lord would provide “times of refreshing” as needed for each one.

Fri. 10 Praise the Lord for the efficient and productive equipment in the print shop. Give thanks for the trouble free days of printing. Continue to pray for protection from fire, theft, and vandalism.

Sat. 11 Praise the Lord that a new record for the EPI website was set with 7 orders in one week in April. This is an encouraging answer to prayer (PED Feb. 25).

Sun. 12 From missionary Rose Brooks (Philippines): *“Thank you for all your help, the books and courses are a real blessing to us here. Some are used in our weekly radio broadcasts and given out to our radio listeners. Much appreciated!”*

Mon. 13 Pray for Mark and Gail as they travel to Strasbourg, France to attend the 5th International Brethren Conference on Missions, June 13-18. Pray for God’s wisdom and leading as they seek to share about the ministry of EPI.

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Tues. 14 We see many answers to prayer at Everyday Publications. Please pray that we will always be faithful to thank the Lord and give Him all the glory.

Wed. 15 From Gertrud: *“Praise the Lord for His wonderful provision for printing and shipping another edition of Congo Swahili Bibles and Hymnbooks (50,000 of each) to D.R. Congo. Picture the broad smiles of the African believers as they stretch out eager hands to receive their copies! Pray for the Lord’s special protection for this precious shipment.”*

Thurs. 16 Praise the Lord for the 66,516 items printed in the first half of the fiscal year! Over half of these, 38,611, were printed in the 2nd quarter. Praise the Lord that this represents many answers to prayer: orders being sent, equipment working well, volunteers to bind books, not to mention shipping and handling!! There is much to praise our God for.

Fri. 17 Pray that the Lord would raise up additional volunteers who would be available to come and help as needed. The Lord knows the need before we ask!

Sat. 18 Harold’s father, Bud MacDougall, went home to be with the Lord on February 19. He would have turned 80 today. Please pray for his family and particularly Marie as she grieves the loss of her husband of 55 years. Bud and Marie were missionaries in Congo, Zambia, and Kenya for over 40 years.

Sun. 19 Praise the Lord for the 4,000 copies of the Norwegian translation of Randy Amos’ book on the Church that has just arrived in Norway. Pray that it might be a rich blessing to the church there.

Mon. 20 Pray that those working on future EPI books would be led along by the Holy Spirit and that they would not be hindered by the enemy. Pray for carefulness and steady progress.

Tues. 21 Praise the Lord for the 7,051 books that went out to prison ministries in March. Pray that the Lord will “set the prisoners free”, free *in Christ*.

Wed. 22 Pray for wisdom for Sara in setting priorities and in pacing herself. Pray for wisdom in managing her Raynaud’s as we move into “air conditioning” season.

Thurs. 23 Pray for Noel as he continues programming various projects to assist and support the team with their varied computer needs. Pray for continued daily strength in his work at EPI as well as on the “home front”.

Fri. 24 Please pray for wisdom in the search for a laminator for coating book covers. It has been determined that lamination is the most suitable process for our printing needs. It is the only process that increases the longevity of the books.

Sat. 25 Stopping to give praise to the Lord is good. The ISAL (International Surface Airlift) mail service has dramatically changed the amount of time missionaries wait for parcels to arrive from EPI. In 1990 a shipment to Africa took over 16 months!! Happily that is “a thing of the past”.

Sun. 26 Praise the Lord for the new contacts and book orders received through the EPI website. Give thanks to the Lord that the website is being used and that it is easily accessible.

Mon. 27 Is the Lord calling others to join the ministry of EPI as commended workers? Pray that they (and we!) would be sensitive to His leading and prompting.

Tues. 28 Praise the Lord for our faithful and hardworking volunteers: Desmond and Gayle McCurry, John Storm, Jimmy Rollo, Tom and Hilda Parkinson, and Don DeBaeremaeker. Thank the Lord for their cheerful service and encouragement in the work at EPI.

Wed. 29 Pray for Caleb Beach as he graduates from high school today. Pray that he may know God’s will for his future.

Thurs. 30 Pray for Mark as he travels to Marion, Indiana to share the work of EPI and host a book table at the Indian Brethren Fellowship Conference, June 29-July 3.