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Mon. 1 *“Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. When they are already budding, you see and know for yourselves that summer is now near. So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near... Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away,”* Luke 21:29-31,33 NKJV.

Tues. 2 Praise the Lord for all that He has done and is doing through the life of Gertrud Harlow. We pray God’s blessing on her as she begins another year.

Wed. 3 Praise the Lord for the freedoms we enjoy in this country to freely publish “books about the Bible”.

Thurs. 4 Praise the Lord for answered prayer regarding the semi-annual meetings on May 11th. It was a profitable and encouraging time (PED (*Pray Every Day*) May 11).

Fri. 5 Praise the Lord for a busy print shop in April: putting out 6,600 EPI books and test booklets plus 4,209 items for other assembly ministries. Pray for eternal results in the use of this literature.

Sat. 6 Praise the Lord for the productive meeting of the Editorial Committee on May 11th. Pray that plans to convene three weeks before the Annual Meeting in November would allow for all the extra time needed for discussion and documentation.

Sun. 7 From **Emmaus Correspondence School**, Zimbabwe: *“The consignment of the 42 cartons of beautifully printed Shona books and 22 cartons of EPI books, safely arrived to us on May 22nd 2013....We are sure that we will put them in good use, for the furtherance of the Kingdom of the almighty God and in restoring many lost souls to the Lord.”* Praise the Lord! (PED May 6)

Mon. 8 Pray for Harold and Barb MacDougall as they drive to British Columbia to visit their children, AJ, Jen, and Robert. Pray for safety in travel and an enjoyable family visit (July 7-26).

Tues. 9 Pray for EPI directors Steve Adams, Ron Gee, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen as they deal with things pertaining to the recent Semi-Annual Meeting. Pray that the Lord would continue to be the controlling Head of EPI.

Wed. 10 Pray that Noel Bondt would have continued strength and energy in the humid summer months as he continues daily tasks of programming and network maintenance.

Thurs. 11 From Gertrud: *“It grieves our hearts that the 5000 books of Vol.1 (Swahili) of Wm MacDonald’s commentary are still in the EPI warehouse (PED March 4, May 29) because of the political instability in the area. The Lord has supplied the funds for shipping. What does He want us to do? Trust Him in spite of instability and increased shipping costs, and send out at least part of the edition to this area which urgently needs the teaching, having been without missionaries for years? ‘If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God’, (Jas 1:5). Will you join us in asking?”*

Fri. 12 From Alma: *“It was good to meet with my fellow-workers at EPI’s semi-annual meeting on May 11th. God has consistently blessed the ministry of EPI to many people around the world and I consider it a privilege and honor to have been involved in this work for more than 30 years. Pray for me, as I continue to assist in the typesetting part of this great work.”*

Sat. 13 Pray for Thirza Beach as she desires to serve the Lord in Asia as a “foster mom”. Pray that the Lord would make the path straight in His time and the waiting time profitable.

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Sun. 14 Praise the Lord for refocused missionary to DR Congo, Pearl Winterburn. Forty-two copies of her biography, *In the Heart of a Pearl*, were sent out in May and accompanied her to a missions conference!! Praise the Lord for her life well lived in service for the King of kings.

Mon. 15 Pray that missionaries in Zambia who wish to receive EPI books via the ACCTS containers going in October may send their requests for books to us sooner rather than later.

Tues. 16 Pray for much wisdom for Sara Townsend as she reviews new Spanish and Portuguese translations, works with translators and translation checkers to resolve difficulties, and prepares manuscripts for printing.

Wed. 17 Praise the Lord that final copy of a new Portuguese title, *A Igreja do Livro (Church of the Book)*, was turned in for printing in early June (PED Jan. 19). Pray that sample copies which will be sent in due course to potential "customers" may result in many orders and in multiplied blessing.

Thurs. 18 Pray that we would be able to solve the ongoing problem with the paper cutter. A distinct growl that seems to be temperature related occurs periodically during the cutting cycle. A technician has not yet been able to solve the mystery.

Fri. 19 Pray that the Beach's application for Canadian citizenship would be processed smoothly and in a timely fashion.

Sat. 20 The EPI book table at the **Ontario Workers' & Elders' Conference** was very well received. Pray that the Lord would use the books sold to draw believers closer to the Father heart of God (PED May 7).

Sun. 21 Mark reports: *"We were encouraged to receive word from Esther Frey in Puerto Rico asking us if she could display samples of EPI books at a prison ministry conference she will be attending this weekend. We told her we would be glad for her to do so!"* Pray for the prison work there.

Mon. 22 Pray for the Lord's protection over the equipment at EPI, both for safety in operation and for the smooth running on a daily basis.

Tues. 23 Praise the Lord for an order for 3,400 French books to be sent to southern DR Congo by way of brethren in Quebec and Switzerland. Pray for safety in shipping and great blessing in Congo.

Wed. 24 Marilyn MacMullen's ministry at the Women's Missionary Conference in Windsor was very well received and appreciated. There was a very good response to the book table as well. Praise the Lord for answered prayer! (PED May 4)

Thurs. 25 Pray regarding overseas shipping at EPI. Due to significant changes in the USPS ISAL M-Bag service and challenging requirements, wisdom is needed to discern the Lord's leading for the future (PED Jan. 17, June 10).

Fri. 26 Pray for the Lord's care and financial provision for Grace Spence as she works three mornings a week at EPI and keeps up with all her music students. Pray for the Lord to work in her family for His glory and their good.

Sat. 27 Praise the Lord for the wonderful blessing and encouragement enjoyed by those who were able to attend the **Ontario Workers' & Elders' Conference at Guelph Bible Conference Centre** in May (PED May7).

Sun. 28 From Mark: *"We were very encouraged to receive an e-mail from Marjorie Beckwith informing us that the believers in Angola are requesting another container of books. This might be the next big EPI project!"* Pray for the Lord's direction.

Mon. 29 From Gertrud: *"Pray that each one working so diligently in the office throughout the year may be able to benefit by some time of rest and refreshing during the summer months."*

Tues. 30 Praise the Lord for the many hours of service from our faithful volunteers, Don DeBaeremaeker, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, Hilda Parkinson, Jimmy Rollo, John Storm, and Brian Cretney.

Wed. 31 Praise the Lord for an order from the Canadian office of Bibles for the World for over 40 books to go to a Bible School in Albania! Pray that the students would be well grounded in the Word of God.

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August 2013

Thurs. 1 *“He who gathers in summer is a wise son; he who sleeps in harvest is a son who causes shame,”* Proverbs 10:5 NKJV. Pray that we would be diligent in all that the Father desires from us.

Fri. 2 Pray for the Lord’s leading in filling the need for two additional directors to sit on the EPI board. Pray for the persons of God’s choosing.

Sat. 3 Pray for the Lord’s special protection for the premises of EPI during the summer’s severe storms.

Sun. 4 From Eleanor Sims, Zimbabwe – refocused: *“Good news of answered prayer from Zimbabwe. The three reprinted Emmaus Bible Courses in the Shona language which you kindly printed, together with the helpful EPI books arrived safely in Zimbabwe a few days ago. Let us pray for the Lord to continue to bring much blessing to the many who will study these Bible courses, many of them are prisoners there.”*

Mon. 5 Pray for Della Letkeman as she seeks “wisdom” in designing appropriate book covers for books in the EPI Bible Study Series, as they are needed.

Tues. 6 Pray for strength and energy for staff and volunteers during the warm days of summer, especially those with health concerns affected by high heat and humidity.

Wed. 7 Pray for the Lord’s blessing and help for Stephanie Moss, Cidinha’s daughter, as she does a new translation in Portuguese of *Can We Know God?* Pray that the Lord may prosper Cidinha as she reviews the translation before sending it to us.

Thurs. 8 Pray for improved health and strength for Sara this summer as well as for wisdom in setting priorities in every area of her life and responsibilities. Pray that the joy of the Lord may indeed be her strength!

Fri. 9 Pray for Gail Beach as she continues to struggle with pain and fatigue due to fibromyalgia. Pray for endurance and patience in this difficult time.

Sat. 10 We are thankful to the Lord for the faithful EPI prayer partners who uphold this ministry before our God. *“We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties”* - Oswald Chambers.

Sun. 11 Praise the Lord for a large financial gift to EPI as a beneficiary of an estate. Praise our faithful God for His abundant provision.

Mon. 12 Pray that the Lord would direct us to the best source of paper and other supplies. Being a considerable distance from Toronto reduces our options because of delivery restrictions. Pray that we will be able to buy the quantities required for optimum pricing.

Tues. 13 Join us in giving heartfelt thanks to the Lord for the many off-site volunteers who give invaluable assistance in translating, translation checking, verse checking, and proofreading, not to mention writing books, developing or reviewing test booklets, etc.

Wed. 14 From Alma: *“My reformatting project is 1st Corinthians. Pray that I will be able to commit significant amounts of time each week, and keep moving on to 2nd Corinthians (and other books) in the weeks ahead!”*

Thurs. 15 Pray that the Lord may impart the vision for writing in Everyday English to godly men with teaching gift so that we may continue to provide fresh material to instruct and encourage “the least of these [our] brethren” via the printed page.

Fri. 16 Praise the Lord for the direction and wisdom given as EPI moves forward into e-publishing. Give thanks for a Christian publishing company offering to convert EPI titles to e-book format and to market them for us (PED March 14).

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Sat. 17 *“Do not have your concert first, and then tune your instrument afterwards. Begin the day with the Word of God and prayer, and get first of all into harmony with Him”* - J. Hudson Taylor. Pray that all involved at EPI would first of all be in harmony with Him.

Sun. 18 From Ruby Campbell, Colombia: *“We praise the Lord for all the newborn babes (spiritual that is) in the prisons we send courses to. Their expressions of gratitude for all the interest we show and spiritual help they receive through studying God's Word gives us much encouragement. Some have been receiving spiritual nourishment for years and have studied the courses from Genesis through to Revelation plus a variety of other topics.”*

Mon. 19 Continue to pray for someone younger with Spanish competency, called of the Lord to join the work of EPI in the Spanish department (PED Dec. 2012).

Tues. 20 Praise the Lord with Barb MacDougall as her eye specialist has given the “all clear” on her eye condition for another year.

Wed. 21 Next month will bring us to the end of another fiscal year. Pray for the Lord's blessing and help as preparations are made for the annual inventory of our stock of books.

Thurs. 22 Pray for carefulness for all who are translating EPI books into another language. Pray that they may be precise where possible and be creatively flexible where that is required. Pray that the Lord may guide them in selecting equivalent words or phrases that accurately translate the original English.

Fri. 23 Pray for prison ministries in Canada and the USA. Over 1500 books went out to “New Life” and over 500 to “Set Free” recently. Pray that the Holy Spirit would break down the strongholds that bind lost souls and would bring them to salvation.

Sat. 24 From Margarida Cerqueira, Portuguese translator: *“It is a blessing to me to do the translation work. I appreciate prayers, for the Lord to give me words when I need them, and the right ones. Also the time to sit down and work.”* Pray this for Margarida (currently translating **Kingdom Divided**) and indeed for all of our translators.

Sun. 25 From an EPI prayer partner: *“I see tremendous need everywhere and age puts limits on our activities, but not on our prayers. I thank God for the blessing **EPI** ministry has been to hundreds of people, and the dedication of the workers. Thank you.”* Praise the Lord.

Mon. 26 Pray for Noel and Dwana as they seek to raise their two girls, Estella and Mildred, “in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.”

Tues. 27 Pray for Caleb Beach as he makes preparation for attending the Sight and Sound Theatre Conservatory in Lancaster, PA in January 2014. Pray that the Lord would mold him to be the man of God He intends.

Wed. 28 Pray for Mark and Gail as they begin preparation for our fiscal year end next month.

Thurs. 29 Pray for Tom Parkinson who is no longer able to come to EPI to operate the cutter due to hip and back pain. Pray that he would be able to get the proper medical attention he needs.

Fri. 30 Pray that the EPI web site would become a useful tool in the hands of our missionaries, alerting them to new titles such as **Lessons Jesus Taught Me in the Spring** and the **Elders' ShopNotes** series as well as providing access to all EPI books.

Sat. 31 Pray that the Lord may bless all staff and volunteers with good eyesight, which is critical for the close work many of us do.