

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,” Neh. 8:8 NKJV. Praise God today for the high privilege that is ours to help people understand the Word of God through the easy-to-understand books that we publish.

Tues. 2 Praise the Lord for His provision for a house to be built for the Beaches in Port Colborne (PED *Pray Every Day*) July 5)! Praise Him also for His provision of interim housing in Port Colborne during the construction. Pray for them as they settle into their temporary home.

Wed. 3 From Gertrud Harlow: “Praise the Lord with me that a surprise visit from a U.S. Immigration inspector [in July] was encouraging and things are moving in the right direction toward the granting of my permanent visa in the Lord’s own time” (PED Aug. 9).

Thurs. 4 Pray that the Lord may strengthen Production Manager Harold MacDougall for his very heavy workload this month as he oversees the work of the print shop and our volunteers, with the need to finish printing and “finishing” massive amounts of Portuguese books to send to Angola in October.

Fri. 5 Thank the Lord for our digital printers. Pray that they may continue to work well in spite of the very heavy demand that is being put upon them at this time. Pray also that there may be a minimum of down time for necessary maintenance and repairs.

Sat. 6 Pray for the Lord’s continued blessing and help for Bill and Della Letkeman as they adjust to their new living situation and new work with New Life Prison Ministry.

Sun. 7 Praise the Lord that the 19,000 outsourced Swahili books arrived at EPI in July and are now stored in the container (PED July 6). Pray for Mark as he nails down shipping details for the container to go all the way to its final destination, Bunia, D.R. Congo.

Mon. 8 Please pray for good progress in completing the printing, binding, trimming, counting, and packing of the books needed to fill the revised order for 86,500 Portuguese books and test booklets for Angola (PED July 4, 13).

Tues. 9 Pray that *all* that is needed to fill the order for Angola may be completed in good order prior to the need to shut down operations in order to complete the annual inventory and finalize records as part of our fiscal year end activities towards the end of this month.

Wed. 10 Thank the Lord for Noel Bondt. Pray for his continued health and that he may continue to have the health and strength needed for his work day by day (PED Aug. 7).

Thurs. 11 We live in a world with regular, sudden changes that can have a profound impact on the day-to-day affairs of our lives and work. Pray that the Lord may lead day by day in our plans and decisions so that any impact from what to us is unexpected (but to Him has been fully known from eternity past!) may have minimal adverse effects upon this ministry.

Fri. 12 In view of the foregoing, pray particularly for safety in transit for all shipments of our books and also that they may arrive at their intended destination in good condition without undue delay.

Sat. 13 Praise the Lord that Andrew Rennie has finished the rough draft of his Spanish translation of our commentary on 2 Corinthians (PED July 22). Pray that the Lord may prosper him as he reviews and polishes his translation.

Sun. 14 Praise the Lord for news of the translation of *Church of the Book* into the language of a closed country in S.E. Asia where the Christians are persecuted, the churches are small, and the believers are young in the faith. A national believer who read the book in English exclaimed: “*This is just what we need for our churches*” because of its simplicity.

Mon. 15 Pray that the aforementioned book may be safely delivered when printed (not by EPI) and may be greatly used of the Lord for the blessing and upbuilding of His Church in that unnamed country, which is in the ‘top 10’ for persecution as per *Operation World* (2001 ed.).

Tues. 16 Join Alma Turnbull in praising the Lord that her re-formatting of part 1 of Dr. Harlow’s commentary on Ezekiel has been completed (PED Aug. 5). Pray for help and strength as she works on part 2.

Wed. 17 Pray for the Lord’s leading for Executive Director Mark Beach as he carries out his responsibilities day by day. Pray for wisdom as he oversees the overall work of EPI.

Thurs. 18 The Chokwe Bible used in Angola needs to be reprinted soon, and Gertrud has been requested to consider being involved in preparing it for reprinting. (She did the original formatting in the early 1990s.) She requests prayer for the Lord’s guidance.

Fri. 19 Praise the Lord for a new Spanish booklet, *¡Sé un hombre! (Be a Man!* by Donald Norbie), printed in June. Pray that it may be greatly used of the Lord.

Sat. 20 Distribution for June and July at 2,791 appears to be relatively low, but nonetheless reflects enormous potential blessing. Pray that our Lord may add His blessing to each of these silent messengers as they are broadcast who knows — oops, *HE knows* — where.

Sun. 21 From Alan and Winsome Madgwick (South Africa - U.K.): “*I’m writing to ask if you could please [send some of your books] once again...I use these books as a correspondence course...Most of them go out to prisoners in different prisons. We send them the courses free as we know they do not earn anything.*” Praise God for the 50 books (3 titles) with their test booklets that were requested and sent. Pray for much blessing.

Mon. 22 Join Sara Townsend in thanking the Lord for help given in re-formatting *A Igreja do Novo Testamento (Church of the New Testament* - Portuguese) in July, in time for it to be reprinted for inclusion in the order for Angola.

Tues. 23 From Mark: “*Pray for safety, speed, and accuracy as we conduct the annual book inventory.*” Pray that any (hopefully small) discrepancies between the shelf count and inventory records may be quickly resolved.

Wed. 24 Thank the Lord that Gertrud Harlow and Eunice Free have both finished their review of the second draft of Della Letkeman’s biography of the Apostle Paul (PED July 24). Pray that the Lord may guide Della as she reviews their suggestions and finalizes the third draft.

Thurs. 25 Pray that the Lord may prosper Peter Kerr as he continues work on his book on preparing for spiritual leadership (PED April 5).

Fri. 26 Thank the Lord for the more effective organization of desks and work areas in the open area of the main office implemented in late July, affecting Barb (receptionist), Gail (bookkeeper), Grace (shipping records), and Noel (web site designer/maintainer). Come visit us and see it for yourself!

Sat. 27 Praise the Lord that *Look Straight Ahead: A Call to Men for Moral Purity* by Sam Thorpe, Jr., was ready for printing at time of writing (PED July 15, 2007). Pray that it may be very greatly used of the Lord.

Sun. 28 Praise the Lord for the truly heroic effort of volunteers Arthur Robinson, John Storm, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, Jimmy Rollo, Don DeBaeremaeker, and Tom and Hilda Parkinson, who have repeatedly gone “above and beyond” to bind and trim the massive amounts of books, booklets, and test booklets required to fill recent large orders.

Mon. 29 Join us today in thanking the Lord for each one who labors with us in prayer, seeking the Lord’s blessing for this ministry, without which all of our efforts would be pointless.

Tues. 30 Pray for health, strength, wisdom, and enabling for bookkeeper Gail Beach as she closes the books and prepares reports in connection with our fiscal year end which is today.

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Wed. 1 “*I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye,*” Ps. 32:8 NKJV. As we begin a new fiscal year today, praise the Lord that we can look to Him to guide us. Pray that we may ever be sensitive to His direction, not only in the small day-to-day decisions but also with respect to the larger, overall picture.

Thurs. 2 Praise the Lord that Barbara MacDougall’s new glasses have resulted in a significant improvement in her eyesight (PED July 3)!

Fri. 3 Pray for perseverance and encouragement for Gertrud Harlow in the ongoing work of re-formatting the Swahili Bible into a smaller, more economical format (PED July 14).

Sat. 4 Join Gertrud in giving fervent thanks to the Lord for Dena Speering’s help in final proofreading of the re-formatted Swahili Bible and for the help of Connie Oppenlander, a fellow Park of the Palms resident, in checking marginal references for the New Testament.

Sun. 5 Praise the Lord for 2 large orders for Spanish books in July! 4,300 are destined for Chile (to be shipped via private container in early autumn, D.V.) and 910 for Colombia (sent via ISAL M-bag at the end of July). Add your prayers to ours for *much* blessing as these books are distributed.

Mon. 6 Pray for a good measure of health and strength for Grace Spence in the physically demanding work of preparing our books for shipping and in preparing newly printed books for storage in the warehouse.

Tues. 7 Praise the Lord for the faithful stewards whom He exercises to give of their substance for the continuation of the work of EPI. We can look back on 44 years of God’s faithfulness and “praise Him for all that is past and trust Him for all that’s to come”.

Wed. 8 Thank the Lord for Alma’s 27 years of faithful, fruitful service with EPI, having started work in August of 1981. Pray for health, strength, and perseverance in her present work of re-formatting our Everyday English books.

Thurs. 9 How do we best make known the availability and potential usefulness of our books to assembly missionaries and others in whose ministry they would be a great blessing? Pray for wisdom and enabling for Mark in answering that question and then taking appropriate action.

Fri. 10 Thank the Lord that there were no problems with either the equipment or our office/warehouse facilities at time of writing (PED July 29)! Ask the Lord’s continued protection of all that He has provided for our use.

Sat. 11 Pray that Nevien may be encouraged as she perseveres translating *Can We Know God?* into Arabic (PED Aug. 13).

Sun. 12 From Ruby Campbell (Colombia): “*It’s been a while since last being in touch and now we need more courses. They sure are a blessing and the Lord is increasing our outreach not only to prisoners but also to small church groups that are showing good interest. PTL!*”

Mon. 13 Thank the Lord for 8,400 EPI books (34 titles) and 7,000 test booklets (5 titles) printed at EPI in June and July as well as 2,806 “other” items printed for other ministries. Can you calculate how much blessing this represents?

Tues. 14 Pray for wisdom for Harold and Mark as they begin scouting for new printers. The need is not yet urgent, but with changing technology and pricing, they feel the need “*to keep up on the latest technology to know which direction to take when the time comes.*”

Wed. 15 Thank the Lord for Margarida Cerqueira’s help with our Portuguese program, both in translating and also in answering linguistic queries. Pray for the Lord’s blessing and enabling in her current project translating Dr. Harlow’s commentary on Numbers and Deuteronomy (PED Aug. 23).

Thurs. 16 Pray that the Lord may continue to bring book orders, both large and small, now that the big push to print books for the containers for D.R. Congo, Angola, and Zambia is over.

Fri. 17 Thank the Lord for Noel and Dwana’s part in the work of EPI: Noel in his work on the web site and other EPI projects and Dwana in her much appreciated cleaning of the office once a week (not to mention the baked goodies she brings from time to time!).

Sat. 18 Pray that the Lord may use the attractive new covers on many of our books to draw some to investigate what is *between* the covers who might otherwise not do so.

Sun. 19 Praise the Lord for a new Portuguese title, the translation of *Start of the Race: Studies in Genesis* (PED Aug. 2). Pray for a good response to the sample copies sent to missionaries. Thank the Lord for 2,000 copies of the book and test booklet going to Angola in the container.

Mon. 20 Mark requests: “*Pray for the Lord’s help for me as I prepare reports, proposals, and analysis for the Annual Meeting* [Nov. 20th].”

Tues. 21 Pray for health and strength for Sara and that she may know the Lord’s leading in assigning priority to work on new Spanish and Portuguese titles as well as to those that need re-formatting.

Wed. 22 Thank the Lord for new contacts made through the EPI web site. Pray that the Lord may continue to bless the web site and to link us with both individuals and distributors to whom our books were previously unknown.

Thurs. 23 It is hard to believe that Harold and Barb and their family marked their 5th anniversary with EPI in late August. Thank the Lord for their vital contribution to the work. Pray for His continued rich and abundant blessing both for them and through them.

Fri. 24 Trips to the doctor and for various tests can be time consuming and are disruptive to our work. Ask the Lord to bless us with good health.

Sat. 25 Pray that the Lord may continue to use and to bless translations of our books into languages which we ourselves do not publish.

Sun. 26 Praise the Lord for the translators, translation checkers, verse checkers, and proofreaders who have made and do make such a vital contribution to the work of EPI. Pray that all may know His blessing in their respective tasks, a labor of love for the Best of masters.

Mon. 27 Pray that items which need to be considered by the Editorial Committee will be communicated to Della in good time to prepare the agenda for their meeting November 20th.

Tues. 28 Thank the Lord for the many prisoners who are studying the Scriptures with the help of an EPI book and test booklet. Pray that the Lord may open their understanding and give them a heart to apply what they learn.

Wed. 29 The re-formatted Spanish translation of *Church of the Book* was being proofread as we went to press and, D.V., has by now been printed (PED July 10). Pray that it may be widely and effectively distributed for much blessing.

Thurs. 30 Pray for EPI directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hanniel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen as they review year end reports preparatory to the upcoming Annual Meeting November 20th.

Fri. 31 Our hearts are gladdened by a number of small orders from Christian bookstores scattered around North America, many of these orders being placed via our web site. Pray that books so ordered may have a high impact both in the lives of those who obtain them as well as through them in blessing to others.