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Sun. 1 “...you also helping together in prayer for us, that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the gift granted to us through many,” 2 Cor. 1:11 NKJV. Praise God today that He is the prayer hearing, prayer answering God — and KROP (keep right on praying), as Dr. Harlow so often reminded us.

Mon. 2 Please continue to pray for safety in transit for the container of Swahili Bibles en route to Bunia in northeast D.R. Congo (PED (*Pray Every Day*) Sept. 6). It is due in Kampala, Uganda, soon and should be in Bunia soon after.

Tues. 3 From Mark Beach: “*Pray for a quick, inexpensive, and hassle-free clearance of the [aforementioned] container through Customs in Congo.*”

Wed. 4 Please make it a matter of regular prayer that the Lord may protect us all, but particularly our vulnerable ones, from serious colds, flu, and the H1N1 virus this winter.

Thurs. 5 Join bookkeeper Gail Beach in thanking the Lord for help given in “closing the books” for the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30th. Pray for her now as she prepares reports for the Annual Meeting this month.

Fri. 6 Praise the Lord for 4,740 books (57 boxes of Spanish books) on their way to David Rodgers in Chile (PED Sept. 13). Pray for their safe arrival and for their speedy and inexpensive release from Customs.

Sat. 7 Please continue to pray for the review of Gertrud Harlow’s application for Permanent Resident status in the U.S. (PED Sept. 22). She must stay in the U.S. while her application is pending.

Sun. 8 Praise the Lord that Gertrud was able to join us in Niagara Falls, NY, on Oct. 15th for the celebration of our 45th anniversary (PED Sept. 2). A good group of present and former EPI directors, staff, authors, volunteers, and other friends of the work joined together in praising the Lord for His goodness to us down through the years and in committing the work to Him for His continued blessing.

Mon. 9 Pray today for health, strength, and wisdom from the Lord for Harold MacDougall in the many demands made upon him as Production Manager.

Tues. 10 Join Alma Turnbull in praising the Lord that reformatting of *Mark and the Untiring Servant* has been turned in for printing (PED Sept. 9). Pray for patience, perseverance, and the blessing of the Lord as she continues reformatting our Everyday English commentaries on the New Testament.

Wed. 11 What does a week’s worth of book orders look like? Four successive weeks in late summer produced the following “total” books ordered for the week: 349, 1,014, 520, 6,930. Pray that the Lord may so arrange the arrival of orders that no one involved in the processing of the orders is unduly overwhelmed as their workload fluctuates.

Thurs. 12 Pray that Sara Townsend may make good progress this month in her work with new and reformatted Spanish and Portuguese titles.

Fri. 13 Harold requests prayer for wisdom in rearranging the print shop and warehouse to accommodate the various new printers as they are acquired and as needed shelving is added.

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Sat. 14 Pray for the Lord's timing for when to undertake some necessary renovations to the print shop area to prepare for the new printers and to make the work of the print shop more efficient. Pray for His leading so that the renovations may be minimally disruptive.

Sun. 15 Praise the Lord for the acquisition of a splendid new color printer, installed on October 20th (PED Oct. 6). Pray for the Lord's help for Harold in adjusting to it. Pray that he may soon be able to use it to its full capacity.

Mon. 16 Gertrud reports increasing pain in her fingers due to rheumatoid arthritis with occasional accompanying numbness, making computer work more challenging. Pray for perseverance – “until He come”.

Tues. 17 Join us today in thanking the Lord that He makes His wisdom available to us in the complexities of organizing our work and setting priorities in the midst of competing demands. Pray that we may be very sensitive to His direction.

Wed. 18 Pray that the Editorial Committee may be led by the Lord as decisions are made at their meeting prior to the Directors' and Members' Annual Meetings tomorrow.

Thurs. 19 Thank the Lord for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hanniel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen. Pray for wisdom and enabling from the Lord as they meet today for the Annual Meeting, followed by the Annual Meeting of Members of the Corporation. Thank the Lord that Gertrud will be present with us in her prayers, though not able to be there in person.

Fri. 20 Praise the Lord that Dena Speering has been able to resume checking and proofing Swahili manuscripts (PED Sept. 5). Pray for her as she reviews Gertrud's translation of the section on Luke from the *Believer's Bible Commentary - New Testament*.

Sat. 21 Pray for Portuguese translators Margarida Cerqueira, currently working on *God's Timetable* by David Boyd Long, and Cidinha Moss, continuing work on *Church of the Book* by Dr. Harlow, a simple but excellent presentation of NT principles of gathering (PED Oct. 22).

Sun. 22 Praise the Lord for 58,014 EPI books and booklets and 22,101 test booklets printed in 276 separate print jobs by our print shop in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30th. Praise Him also for the 19,939 Swahili Bibles printed off site.

Mon. 23 Needless to say, the numerous individual “print jobs” require considerable record keeping, both in terms of inventory and of costs. Pray for wisdom and the Lord's blessing for all who have responsibilities in this process.

Tues. 24 Noel Bondt requests prayer that his health will remain good and that neither he nor Dwana may get “any bad flus”, given his heart condition and Dwana's pregnancy.

Wed. 25 Please continue to commit the processing of the Beach family's application for Permanent Residency in Canada to the Lord (PED Sept. 14). Pray that in His will it may be swiftly and successfully processed.

Thurs. 26 Thank the Lord for the larger print jobs which can be sent off site, both for more economical printing and to spare excessive wear and tear on our current presses, extending their life somewhat.

Fri. 27 Pray for wisdom as decisions are made concerning where to print new and reprint titles in view of the aforementioned considerations. Pray that the Lord may lead and may give patience and grace in the time-consuming job of securing cost “quotes” when it is deemed best to have a title printed off site.

Sat. 28 Join us in praising the Lord for His faithful provision so that we once again have finished our fiscal year “in the black”, with all due bills paid and with funds in hand for continuing operations.

Sun. 29 Praise the Lord for 2,500 Congo Swahili Bibles on their way to Zambia in the ACCTS container, for eventual transport into southern D.R. Congo.

Mon. 30 The aforementioned books are a “drop in the bucket” for the need in southern D.R. Congo. Pray for wisdom and the Lord's timing for the printing of a second edition of the Congo Swahili Bible.

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Tues. 1 “For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord...For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us,” 2 Cor. 4:5-7 NKJV. Praise Him today for the high privilege of having a part in making Him known through the printed page.

Wed. 2 Join us in giving fervent thanks to the Lord for the volunteer help of Arthur and Mary Jane Robinson, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, John Storm, Don DeBaeremaeker, Jimmy Rollo, and Tom and Hilda Parkinson in recent months.

Thurs. 3 Continue to pray that He may raise up other volunteers to “share the load” — and receive the reward (still future) (PED Sept. 29)!

Fri. 4 Thank the Lord for Grace Spence’s faithful diligence in preparing orders, large and small, for shipping as well as preparing newly printed books for storage in the warehouse until needed. Pray for His rich blessing for her in this and in all she does for Him and His people.

Sat. 5 Pray for the Lord’s leading for Andrew Rennie as he translates *Two Letters from Peter* into Spanish (translation being as much art as science) and as he prepares a test booklet to go with it (PED Sept. 26).

Sun. 6 Praise the Lord that *Voice in the Darkness*, Della Letkeman’s biography of the apostle Paul, was sent to the printer towards the end of September with anticipated delivery early in November (PED Sept. 17). Pray for an abundance of open doors and for great blessing from this timely book.

Mon. 7 Pray that the Lord may lead us step by step in the realization of some major projects that are in the works, including a reprint of the Congo Swahili Bible and a further printing of the Swahili hymn book (PED Sept. 25).

Tues. 8 From Mark: “Praise God for the wise and Godly counsel and direction of our Board.” Pray for His richest blessing for each one.

Wed. 9 Pray for the Lord’s blessing and help for Barbara MacDougall as she answers the phone, processes mail, prepares book orders, etc., etc., this extra busy month.

Thurs. 10 Thank the Lord for Executive Director Mark Beach and for the Lord’s equipping of him for the task. Pray that he may know the Lord’s definite leading in the many decisions he must make each day.

Fri. 11 Pray for health, strength, and encouragement for Gertrud as she perseveres translating William MacDonald’s *Believer’s Bible Commentary - NT* into Swahili (PED Sept. 7). Each page requires about 5 hours of work, and her goal is to complete one page per day, in addition to her other work.

Sat. 12 Join us today in giving heartfelt thanks to the Lord for all of the individuals and groups who present the work and workers of EPI before the throne of grace.

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Sun. 13 From Phyllis Dunning (Brazil - U.K.): “Yesterday, while in the Bible School office...brother Q. [told] me of increased interest in your courses. He takes them around...so they are becoming widely known at conferences and other brethren’s gatherings.” Praise the Lord and pray for widespread blessing.

Mon. 14 Thank the Lord for each prisoner currently using an EPI course to study the Scriptures. Pray that each one may be comforted at this time of year which is so often painful for those in their circumstances.

Tues. 15 Pray that Alma may have safe travel to Florida and may have a happy, healthy, refreshing time with her family. She plans to return home the first week of January.

Wed. 16 Thank the Lord for Harold and Barb, Jen, Rob, and Iain. Pray for His leading for each one in their busy lives of work, studies, and involvement in various ways in the assembly.

Thurs. 17 Pray that Sara may know the Lord’s leading in setting priorities in her work and that He may grant health and strength according to her need day by day.

Fri. 18 Join Gertrud in praising the Lord that the second revised and reformatted Emmaus Correspondence Course in Swahili has been completed (PED Oct. 7). Pray for her in the ongoing work of revising these courses, which have been unavailable for a long while.

Sat. 19 Pray that Nevien may make good progress translating *Can We Know God?* into Arabic. Pray that the Lord may encourage our sister and help her find blocks of undistracted time to finish this translation.

Sun. 20 The final figures are in! Praise God for 229,950 books distributed in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30th! Some are no doubt still in transit, but the majority have been received: by large-scale distributors, by individual missionaries, by local churches, by individuals. Pray as led.

Mon. 21 Thank the Lord for numerous orders for shipment to Zambia in the Fall ACCTS containers, totaling around 15,000 books plus 2,500 Congo Swahili Bibles, getting our new fiscal year off to a good start (PED Sept. 21)!

Tues. 22 Pray that we may ever remember that numbers mean *nothing* if our books do not get into the hands of people who are hungry to know God and to understand and apply His Word. Join us in praying that this may indeed be the case, for much abiding fruit from the books produced and sent out from EPI.

Wed. 23 Join the Beach family in thanking the Lord that eldest son Joshua and his fiancée Alyssa plan to be with them for Christmas. Pray for safety in travel.

Thurs. 24 Pray for refreshment for staff and volunteers over the Christmas holidays as the office is closed from midday today until Monday, Jan. 4th, 2010.

Fri. 25 “But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons,” Gal. 4:4,5 NKJV.

Sat. 26 Pray today for the Lord’s protection of our premises, equipment, and stock of books and supplies from all forms of harm or evil.

Sun. 27 From David Harvey (Philippines): “Just a short [note] to express our sincere thanks for the package of books received recently. Your partnering with us in the ministry here is much appreciated.”

Mon. 28 “Due dates” are not always accurate, so please pray for Noel and Dwana today and in the days ahead as they await the birth of their first child, due Dec. 31st. 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 one for Him.

Tues. 29 Pray for safety in shipment for the ACCTS containers sent to Zambia in early November and that all goods may arrive in good condition and be received by the intended recipients.

Wed. 30 From Noel: “Pray for the continued use of the EPI web site and that the saints will find it useful and informative.”

Thurs. 31 Praise our gracious, loving Lord this day for another year of grace and for the blessings poured out upon us and through us in the year now coming to an end. Pray for His continued abundant blessing in the year to come or for as much of it as He gives us until He come. “Even so, come, Lord Jesus!”