

Pray Every Day for EVERYDAY

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Sat. 1 *“His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. ‘The Lord is my portion,’ says my soul, ‘Therefore I hope in Him!’”* Lam. 3:22b-24 NKJV. Praise God today for the firm foundation for both life and ministry that we have when we are His!

Sun. 2 Praise the Lord for 37,203 books distributed in the first 6 months of our fiscal year! The vast majority will be read by *at least* one person; others will be used by translators, translation checkers, verse checkers, proofreaders, and in the review or development of test booklets.

Mon. 3 Praise the Lord that Gertrud Harlow has been informed that her application for permanent resident status in the U.S. has been approved (PED (*Pray Every Day*) March 5)! Pray that all may go smoothly as the processing of her application is completed. Pray that she may soon have the “green card” in her hand!

Tues. 4 Pray that many at the Ontario Workers’ and Elders’ Conference today through Thursday may find literature at one of the book tables to meet a specific need in their own life or ministry.

Wed. 5 Pray for the Lord’s blessing and enabling for Barbara MacDougall as she presents a seminar to the ladies at the Ontario Workers’ and Elders’ conference this afternoon.

Thurs. 6 Pray for Executive Director Mark Beach today and tomorrow as he finalizes preparations for the Semi-Annual Meeting on Saturday.

Fri. 7 Thank the Lord for the Editorial Committee and pray for wisdom for them as they meet tomorrow. Pray that they may get through the “business in hand” quickly and well.

Sat. 8 Pray that the directors and members of the corporation may be encouraged as reports on various aspects of the work are presented at the Semi-Annual Meeting today. Pray that the directors may discern the Lord’s mind and will for the work in any decisions they are called upon to make.

Sun. 9 Praise the Lord for an indication of interest in our literature by a new and growing ministry to immigrants in several major Canadian cities (PED Feb. 18, Feb. 23). Pray that the Lord may lead.

Mon. 10 Pray for safety in transit for the ACCTS containers on their way to Zambia now and for expeditious delivery of 6,632 EPI books going to 5 different mission stations.

Tues. 11 Join Alma Turnbull in praising the Lord that she has finished reformatting *Alive and Free: Studies in Romans* (PED March 19). Pray for patience and perseverance for her as she begins work on *Perfect Man: Studies in Luke* this month.

Wed. 12 From Gertrud: *“As I progress with the translation of Wm. MacDonald’s **Believers Bible Commentary** (BBC - NT), pray that the Lord might raise up two Congo Swahili-speaking African believers to read the manuscript for clarity and comprehension.”*

Thurs. 13 Pray for safety in travel for the Beach family, leaving today for Wisconsin for eldest son Joshua’s wedding on Saturday (PED Aug. 22). They plan to travel on to Colorado for a reception for the newlyweds at Mark and Gail’s commending assembly at the end of the month. Pray for a refreshing time as they visit with family and friends.

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Fri. 14 We were disappointed that Mark was not able to make the planned trip to Africa in April (PED April 10) but are grateful for the Lord's clear leading in closing the door. Thank the Lord that while the heart of a man plans his way, the Lord does indeed direct his steps (Prov. 16:9).

Sat. 15 Pray that the Lord Jesus would be honored and glorified in all that is said and done as Joshua Beach and Alyssa Greenwald are married today. Pray for Mark as he performs the ceremony.

Sun. 16 Praise the Lord for the 130 EPI books obtained by those attending the Toronto Easter Conference (PED April 2). Pray for much blessing as they are read by the purchaser or are passed on to someone for whom the purchaser has a spiritual concern.

Mon. 17 Pray that Nevien may know the Lord's blessing as she translates *Can We Know God?* into Arabic. Pray for the Lord's blessing and enabling in moving this title forward towards printing.

Tues. 18 Thank the Lord for the 8 years we have been in our splendid office/warehouse facilities in Port Colborne! Pray that we may be a blessing in the local community as well as in the worldwide ministry entrusted to us.

Wed. 19 From Production Manager Harold MacDougall: *"Please pray for help in organizing work for volunteers, keeping track of books in progress, and preparing [computer] files for printing."*

Thurs. 20 A significant part of our total distribution ends up "going to prison". Thank the Lord for the many prisoners who study the Word with the help of our Bible study books with test booklets. Pray for open hearts, open minds, and a will to obey the Lord.

Fri. 21 Pray that Sara Townsend may make significant progress this month in work on some of her current Spanish and Portuguese projects. Thank the Lord that she made it through the winter without significant damage to her fingers (PED March 9)!

Sat. 22 Please continue to pray that the Lord may open more doors for our French books in francophone Africa as well as in the French-speaking islands of the Caribbean (PED Oct. 24).

Sun. 23 From Gertrud: *"In Matthew 28:20 the Lord commanded, '...teaching them to observe all things I have commanded you.' Pray that readers of EPI books will observe our Lord's commands themselves, and pass them on to others (2 Tim. 2:2)."*

Mon. 24 Pray for wisdom in being good stewards of what we have received. Pray that the Lord would make those who order supplies aware of "better value" sources without having to invest too much time in searching for them.

Tues. 25 From Noel Bondt: *"Praise the Lord for how well Dwana is enjoying motherhood and keeping good energy and how well Estella is sleeping and growing"* (PED March 3). He requests prayer for his health as we head into the summer months (PED April 9).

Wed. 26 Quite a number of our staff and volunteers are in the age range where health issues become an increasing part of life. Pray that we may have strength according to the needs of the day, sometimes in spite of our health, and that the Lord may guide our doctors in how best to deal with the issues that arise from time to time.

Thurs. 27 Thank the Lord for the volunteer help of Helen Black and Thirza Beach in the past few months, in addition to the help of our regular, faithful crew: Arthur Robinson, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, John Storm, Jimmy Rollo, Tom and Hilda Parkinson, and Don DeBaeremaeker. Pray that our Lord may richly bless them for this vital service!

Fri. 28 At time of writing Mark and Gail were awaiting a fresh "police check" from the FBI inasmuch as the police check submitted with their original application to Canadian officials last August was lost by the processing office! Pray that it may soon be forthcoming, if not already received. Pray that in His perfect time the Beach family's application for permanent residence in Canada may be approved (PED March 10).

Sat. 29 Pray that our books on New Testament church principles in various languages may be greatly used of the Lord to encourage elders to remain faithful to the teaching of the New Testament concerning autonomy and His pattern for the local church.

Sun. 30 Praise the Lord for requests that are now being received from nationals for free literature via the EPI web site. Please pray for wisdom in the choice of books to be sent.

Mon. 31 Thank the Lord today for each one He has given to this ministry to pray for the work and workers, day in and day out, year in and year out. Pray for their encouragement and steadfastness in this vital part of the work.

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Tues. 1 *“My beloved spoke, and said to me: ‘Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come...Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away!’”* Song of Solomon 2:10-12a,13b NKJV. Although we look forward with longing hearts to the time when this will be our experience, praise the Lord that we are still in the day of grace. Pray that we may be faithful and diligent in His service until we hear His call to “come away”.

Wed. 2 Thank the Lord for Barbara MacDougall’s willingness to take on the editing of *Pray Every Day* (PED April 5). Pray for her as she begins preparation of her first edition this month.

Thurs. 3 Pray for strength and wisdom for Mark and Gail as they catch up on work that accumulated during their time away last month.

Fri. 4 We learned in mid-April that the shipment of Chokwe books printed for Doris Pitman had been damaged by water upon arriving in Luanda, Angola, where there has been some significant flooding (PED Jan. 24). The extent of damage was not known as we went to press. Pray for wisdom in how to deal with this situation.

Sat. 5 The foregoing highlights the need to commit our shipments of books to the Lord for safekeeping from the time they leave our warehouse to the time they arrive at their intended destination. Please make this a matter of regular prayer.

Sun. 6 Praise the Lord for 11,636 EPI books and 5,223 test booklets printed in February and March in addition to 28 “other” print jobs, including tracts for Gospel Folio Press, courses for New Life Prison Ministries, and camper applications for Agape Valley. Pray as led.

Mon. 7 Pray that the Lord may bless Della Letkeman in the ongoing work of designing new covers for our revitalized series of Bible study books.

Tues. 8 Praise the Lord that the black and white printers have continued to function well although they have over 9 million impressions each (PED March 24)! Sharp (the company producing the printers) says that our machines have the highest number of impressions of any machine in its class! Our God is able — praise Him!!

Wed. 9 Pray for good progress for Noel as he continues programming *“an internal application we call EPI Main”* (PED March 12). Thank the Lord for Noel’s computer expertise which is a great blessing, both to the work and to the workers of EPI!

Thurs. 10 Thank the Lord for His gracious provision for this ministry through the exercised giving of His people as well as through sales of our books in “the homelands”.

Fri. 11 Pray for the Lord’s encouragement and help for Gertrud as she continues to revise and reformat Swahili Emmaus courses (PED April 6). Pray that the courses already completed may be used for great blessing in the lives of those who study them (PED Feb. 4).

Sat. 12 Praise the Lord that around 2,500 Portuguese books are in transit in the ACCTS containers, for eventual onward transport into eastern Angola (PED April 19)! Pray for both wise and widespread distribution eventually.

Sun. 13 From Ruby Campbell (Colombia): *“Praise the Lord eleven boxes of courses arrived yesterday...delivered to our new address...What we urgently need now are many more hungry souls to study the Word of God.”*

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Mon. 14 Pray for good health and physical endurance for Grace Spence as part of her work is in our non-air conditioned warehouse. Pray that His joy may be her strength in the routines of her responsibility as EPI shipper.

Tues. 15 Ask the Lord to grant that our books may “fall into” the hands of those who will make good use of them, both for their own spiritual growth and development and also as they have opportunity to pass on the truths of Scripture to others.

Wed. 16 Thank the Lord for Portuguese translator Margarida Cerqueira. Pray that the Lord may prosper her as she translates *God's Timetable* (PED Nov. 21).

Thurs. 17 Pray that the Lord may so guide that we may be kept free from “human errors” (which can happen, oh, so easily) necessitating the reprinting of materials.

Fri. 18 Sara requests prayer for “*faithfulness in the many ‘little’ tasks that comprise my days and for sensitivity to His leading day by day in setting priorities for the work of that day.*”

Sat. 19 Thank the Lord for the web site which makes our books known to many with whom we would otherwise not have contact. Pray for much continued blessing.

Sun. 20 Praise the Lord for 2,042 books sent “no charge” to assembly commended missionaries in Ecuador, Zambia, Colombia, and Tanzania in February. Pray that multiplied lives might be touched and changed by the study of these books, for His glory and the blessing of many in addition to the actual readers.

Mon. 21 Thank the Lord for Alma and pray that she may be blessed with health, strength, and encouragement in her ongoing work of reformatting our New Testament Bible study books. She anticipated working on John this month.

Tues. 22 Pray that we may be faithful stewards of all that He provides: finances, equipment, and health, as well as gifts and abilities.

Wed. 23 Our stewardship may include “coming apart and resting awhile”. Pray that all staff and volunteers may have a restful break at some time during the summer holiday period.

Thurs. 24 Thank the Lord for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hanniel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen. Pray for His richest blessings for them and their families.

Fri. 25 Pray that all may run smoothly in the office at the times when it is short staffed over the course of the next few months as various ones are away on holiday.

Sat. 26 Please pray for the Lord's leading in the selection of new titles to have translated into the languages we ourselves publish.

Sun. 27 Praise the Lord for the many “library sets” of our commentaries sent to Bible schools in developing countries, mostly in the 1980s and 1990s. Pray for much continued blessing.

Mon. 28 Ask the Lord for His timely provision of qualified translators, translation checkers, verse checkers, and proofreaders, as the need may arise.

Tues. 29 Pray for safety in travel for Harold and Iain MacDougall as they leave today to drive to New Brunswick to join Barb, who is already there. Pray for a refreshing time for them all as they spend time with family and friends as well as their commending assembly.

Wed. 30 From Noel: “*Praise the Lord for supplying a vast array of equipment for the office that meets everyone's different needs in getting the daily tasks done.*” Pray for the Lord's continual safekeeping of our equipment, building, and stock of books and supplies.