

# FEBRUARY 2019 DRAYER GUIDE

#### Luke 6:27-31

But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

#### GRACE COMMUNION TAMPA, FLORIDA

Jesus, we rejoice in your presence in Leslie Mahon's life and celebrate his ordination. Give Leslie a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his ministry.

#### **5** GRACE COMMUNION YUKON, OKLAHOMA

Gracious God, in perfect assurance of Your presence among us, we pray your blessings upon Mike and Michele Urmie, as Mike steps into his new role of pastor. May he honor you as he joyfully joins with you in the ministry you prepared for him.

#### 2 GRACE COMMUNION RAYONG, THAILAND

Our loving Father, we thank you for our faithful fellowship in Rayong, which celebrated its 11 year anniversary. Continue to guide the members as they shine your light and love into their community.

## **3** GRACE COMMUNION JACKSONVILLE, FL

We are thankful for the five new families that connected with our congregation through our children's Christmas party evening outreach and our New Year's Eve bonfire party outreach. Join us in asking God to help us love and disciple our neighbors well.

## GRACE COMMUNION ZAMBIA

Many of our pastors are bivocational. Please join us in praying for our pastors involved in our new pastor training program. We pray that they would be shepherds after your own heart, who will share your knowledge and understanding.





Ephesians 1:4

You are chosen by Christ. He sees you, knows you, and longs to be in relationship with you. In relationship with him, he makes us like him: holy, innocent, and loving. Turning toward God and acknowledging our need for Jesus to transform us into his holy people is known as repentance. Ask God today to continue transforming your life. Is there something you need to surrender to him? Ask the Holy Spirit to replace what has been surrendered with a gift of grace.

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### 7 GCI USA

Please join us in lifting up our new pastors who are attending an orientation this weekend at the home office. May they feel supported, encouaraged, and inspired as they join with Jesus in shepherding our congregations across the country.

#### 8 GRACE COMMUNION MINDANAO, PH

Sixty-six participants attended a Trinitarian Preaching Workshop. Pray that God may continue to reveal himself through the reading and preaching of his Word. Ask God to help our members grow in grace and understanding through inspirational, Bible-based sermons.

#### **9** GRACE COMMUNION FRANCISCO VILLA, MX

Praise God for land donated to the local congregation for a meeting place. Join us in lifting up their dynamic local leadership and for God to bless their meeting place and ministry.

#### **10** GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

We pray that you will create leaders among us – individuals made in your image who will apply your teachings in their lives and positively impact our families, workplaces, communities, and church. Help us develop and empower new leaders in our fellowships.



#### MEDITATION MONDAY

James 5:16

The more we are known, the more we are healed. It is through honest conversation that mutual forgiveness and reconciliation occur. Reflect today: Is there someone in your life to whom you owe an apology for an action, attitude, or words that were not life-giving? Is there someone that could use a prayer of encouragement from you? As ministers of the gospel, let us be people of peace in our communities.

#### 12 GRACE COMMUNION NEW COWBOY, NAMIBIA

Praise be to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who by the power of His Spirit has blessed us with the gift of life. We celebrated the anniversary of our congregation in New Cowboy, while hosting a three-day retreat for our pastors in Namibia. May God continue to bess our churches so they can bless their communities with his gift of grace.

#### **13** GRACE COMMUNION TIEL, NETHERLANDS

We are overjoyed to be partnering with other Christian ministries to create a community center. The center officially opened in January with an ecumenical worship service. One hundred and twenty people participated, and the Holy Spirit was reverberating and present, with sparks of enthusiasm being felt in the service. We are praying that many new believers will come to know Jesus through this shared space.

#### 14 GCI DENOMINATIONAL BOARD

We will be gathering for our first quarter meeting. Join us in seeking God's direction and blessing for the coming year.

#### 15 INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

Father, we know that we love only because you first loved us. Regardless of our relationship status, may we experience your love in personal ways. For those who have made the convenant to love one another as you love your church, grant them the grace and strength to honor the promises they have made and to reflect the love you have for us into this world.

#### 16 GCI YOUNG ADULTS

We are thankful for the GCIgnite event that took place last month in Ohio for GCI members ages 18-30 from all over the USA. We pray that they would take what they learned from the event and apply it as they serve their local GCI churches.

#### 17 GRACE COMMUNION HYDERABAD, INDIA

Members of Grace Communion in Hyderabad reached out to the community to participate and bring the good news of Advent.

The women's fellowship group provided a special time of carol-singing and fellowship to the residents of Mother Teresa's Home for the Dying Destitute.

#### 18 MEDITATION MONDAY

Colossians 3:16 Intentionally praise God for who he is and how he protects you. Our words, when dipped in truth and wrapped in love, can be light to one another shining hope into dark times. Today, look for opportunities to speak truth and love into the lives of those God has placed around you.

## **19** GRACE COMMUNION CHARLESTON, SC

Father, Son, and Spirit, thank you for our faithful fellowship in Charleston. We thank you also for providing this beautiful place where they gather for worship, fellowship, and the work of ministry. Lord Jesus, may our brothers and sisters in Charleston continue to bless each other and the community you've called them to serve.



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## 20 GRACE COMMUNION MANILA, PH

Lord, we thank you for the vibrant leadership in the Philippines. Bless their time in meeting with President Greg Williams and celebrating the work of the Spirit in their congregations.

#### 21 GCI HAITI

We lift up our brothers and sisters in Haiti as well as our school there. Spirit, we pray for your guidance and provision.

"And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve the things that are excellent." Philippians 1:9-10

## 22 COLUNTEERS

Gracious God, it is a joy to join in your ministry. We thank you for all the volunteers who have answered your call to serve in GCI congregations. We ask that you sustain them and may they experience your love in meaningful ways.

## 23 GCI MEMBERS

Many are experiencing colder weather, which causes a greater expense in heating and protection. Let us pray for provision and protection for our brothers and sisters.

## 26 GRACE COMMUNION MALAYSIA

Our Asian leaders will be gathering with President Greg Williams to meet as a community of practice. Please join us in seeking the Lord's will and guidance in supporting and establishing our churches in Asia.

## **24** GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

We pray that teams in every area of our humble denomination will be REAL teams.

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#### 27 GRACE COMMUNION CHARLOTTE, NC

It is such a joyous occasion to celebrate the baptism of member John Rojas. Father, continue to encircle him with your love as he walks with you.

#### 25 MEDITATION MONDAY

#### Romans 12:2

In the Bible, we see that the most satisfying life is one that is not selfcentered, but Christ-centered. When we shift our mindset from selfadvancement to the advancement of the love of Christ, we experience freedom! The pressure to preform and achieve falls away and we are empowered by the Holy Spirit.

A Christ-centered life places the person of Jesus as the foundation for all our hope. Present your dreams and goals to Jesus today, and ask him to reveal his good, pleasing, and perfect will for your life!

## 28 GRACE COMMUNION

We are so grateful for our international leaders. Let us remember our co-laborers in Italy today, and ask God to continue to transform their ministry.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

