



AUGUST 2019 PRAYER GUIDE

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. But the more they were called, the more they went away from me. They sacrificed to the Baals and they burned incense to images. It was I who taught Ephraim to walk, taking them by the arms; but they did not realize it was I who healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with ties of love. To them I was like one who lifts a little child to the cheek, and I bent down to feed them.

Hosea 11:1-4

1 GRACE COMMUNION BAGUIO CITY, PHILIPPINES

Father, we thank you that you are always with us. We lift up to you our Encounter Praise Night for our youth. We pray that the 100 youth we have invited meet with you in new and meaningful ways. Across the generations, may we seek to know you and make you known.

2 GRACE COMMUNION DERBY, KANSAS

Gracious God, we lift up to you our "backpack blessing" and ice cream social. As these students carry their new supplies, we pray that you will carry and protect them throughout their school day and the school year. May their school and our church be safe places for your children.

3 GRACE COMMUNION WASHBURN, ILLINOIS

We lift up today the campers and staff of Heartland SEP. We pray that throughout all the activities and conversations, their faith will be formed and they will draw closer to you.

4 GRACE COMMUNION CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

Lord, we pray your blessings over the backpacks we have collected for our neighborhood schools and the youth that will carry them away. Grant them peace and guide them throughout the school year. Be an ever-present help to them and provide them with friends, teachers, and church members to walk alongside and share your love with them.

5 MEDITATION MONDAY

Luke 9:48

Let us have the eyes of Christ this week, looking to see those in the margins and who the world deems unimportant and powerless. Let's do the small things with His great love.

6 GRACE COMMUNION GLEN DORA, CALIFORNIA

We are grateful for Jillian Morrison and her faithful service. We celebrate her ordination and commissioning as Associate Pastor. We pray blessings over her ministry. May you grant her quiet strength, unlimited love, and boundless compassion.

7 GRACE COMMUNION ACCRA, GHANA

Our YEP summer camp is wrapping up this week. Let us pray for all who are in attendance to enjoy the recreation of camp and return home with a deeper sense of who God is and how he is calling them to engage in their communities.

8 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

During this month, there are several Vacation Bible Schools and mission trips, which provide extra opportunities for service, outreach, fun, and fellowship. We pray for protection and for a deeper relationship with you, Jesus, amidst all of the activities.



9 GRACE COMMUNION CARIBBEAN CHURCHES

Today kicks off our Regional Celebration in Arima, Trinidad. We anticipate lots of worship, inspiration, and relationship-building. Join us in praying for our leaders and members to have a renewing time with Jesus and to take ideas for a healthy church back to their local congregations.

10 GRACE COMMUNION GLENDDORA, CALIFORNIA

God, we thank you for your Word and who it reveals you to be. We pray for the preaching workshop being hosted today. May the participants discover new ways to preach your truth and love to their congregations.



11 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Gracious God, we thank you for the ministry teams in our congregations. We pray that you will continue to raise up team members who are faithful, available, teachable, and enthusiastic. Help us make space for new leaders and integrate them into unified and diverse teams.

12 MEDITATION MONDAY

Philippians 2:5-6

Jesus showed us that greatness comes through thinking of others. This week, ask Jesus to grant you his mindset, a willing heart to serve. Do what God has put in front of you. Love who God has placed in your path. Go where he is leading you.

13 GRACE COMMUNION EAGLE ROCK, CALIFORNIA

We are praising God for the blessing of connecting with families from our community through our VBS. Please pray that the children will continue to deepen their relationships with Jesus and continue to connect with our congregation.

14 GRACE COMMUNION SECUNDERABAD, INDIA

Lord, we thank you that in your Word you promise to watch over us and care about every detail of our lives. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with our local high school as we equip and encourage teachers to support students academically, emotionally, and spiritually.

15 GRACE COMMUNION LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA

God, we are seeking a new location where we can connect with a community and be involved with them. Please continue to equip us to love the people you are calling us to love. We ask you to go before us to make the crooked places straight in finding a new home. Give us wisdom to make wise decisions in choosing.

16 GRACE COMMUNION SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

We lift up all who will be attending the Regional Celebration for our Spanish-speaking churches this weekend. Join us in praying that all who attend would be immersed in Christ's shared faith, hope, and love!

17 GRACE COMMUNION CANADA

Thank you, God, for an encouraging ACCM "Jesus and the Gospels" class for pastors across our nation. Those who attended participated with enthusiasm in the class discussions and group projects. Almost half of the participants were African refugees who are leaders in our congregations. Join us in praying for each of these leaders and their congregations.

18 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Lord, we lift up the senior members of our congregations. We are blessed by their example and ability to train us. Help us benefit from their wisdom and understanding. Help them receive the strength and power you've promised. May they put their hope in you and be renewed in the process.

19 MEDITATION MONDAY

Colossians 3:12

Carry this with you this week: You are chosen by God. You are loved by Jesus and covered by him. How do we clothe ourselves with Christlikeness? We look to him. We join with him. We begin to love like he loves. Today, let's try on compassion, humility, gentleness, and patience. What a joy to know that the perfect son of God does not hold our imperfections against us. Let us do likewise and treat one another with the grace we have received.

20 GRACE COMMUNION GLENDDORA, CALIFORNIA

Gracious God, in perfect assurance of Your presence among us, we pray your blessings upon Tammy Tkach as we celebrate her ordination. May she honor you as she joyfully joins with you in the ministry prepared for her.

21 GRACE COMMUNION RICHARDSON, TEXAS

We hosted our first Community Care Fair in our new community as we shared household items, bounce houses, food, meaningful conversations, and prayers with about two hundred people. Join us in asking God for continued connections and ways to encourage our new neighbors.

22 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL BOARD MEETING

Lord, we thank you for the service and wisdom of GCI board members. We pray over their gathering today as a time of blessing and inspiration that has a positive impact throughout our humble denomination.

23 GRACE COMMUNION WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON

We are hosting an anti-bullying conference for our youth who are 13-18. During our time together, we will define and explore the implications of bullying. We pray that our youth will be firmly rooted in who you say they are and be empowered to speak your words of life to their peers.





24 GCI-USA COACHING CLINIC

Father, we read of Jesus asking bold and insightful questions of his disciples to facilitate their growth and learning, especially when their paradigms didn't match with the truth. We seek your blessing as we equip new ministry coaches to do the same as Jesus in their coaching work with pastors, pastoral residents, interns, and church planters.

25 GRACE COMMUNION SEMINARY

Join us in praying over the students starting a new semester of classes in GCS. We pray for wisdom and strength for the students, teachers, and administrators. May they be equipped for the good works you have for each of them.



GRACE COMMUNION
ZIMBABWE

26 MEDITATION MONDAY

Colossians 3:13

Forgiveness is not seeking retribution or forcing reconciliation, but it is having compassion on the other person and trusting God to do his redemptive work. We can process and let go of any resentment, knowing that God is working in all our lives. Open your hurt places before the throne of grace. Ask God to bring healing to everyone involved.

27 GRACE COMMUNION LONDON, KENTUCKY

We joyously celebrated a baptism within our congregation. We pray for this new season of her life with you. Thank you that in your great love, you have called us to know you and to trust you.

28 GRACE COMMUNION NYANG, ZIMBABWE

Thank you, Jesus, for an incredible young adult married couple retreat last month. Please continue to be the center, holding our relationships together and loving each other well.

29 GRACE COMMUNION MALAYSIA

We are so grateful for our international leaders. Let us remember our co-laborers in Malaysia 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

30 GRACE COMMUNION JOPLIN, MISSOURI

Our Summer Super Wednesdays Family Fun Nights have begun! We welcome families bi-weekly from around our local area to disconnect from busyness and connect with one another. There are water games outside, and board & skill games inside for those who do not wish to get wet. We also love on the parents by providing dinner. We've had a cumulative attendance of 100 people over 3 weeks, and word is getting around. Please pray that these events will allow us to genuinely share the love of God and yield fruit for the body of Christ.



GRACE COMMUNION
EAGLE ROCK

31 GRACE COMMUNION HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

We are grateful for the students gathered this weekend for the ACCM intensive. Please join us in lifting up the students, that they will be transformed by a deeper understanding of the good news and inspired with creative ways to live and share the gospel through their home congregations.

DOES YOUR CONGREGATION HAVE AN EVENT, CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER REQUEST, OR PRAISE REPORT YOU WOULD LIKE INCLUDED IN NEXT MONTH'S PRAYER GUIDE?

Please email info@gci.org with details and photos.