

OCTOBER 2019

PRAYER GUIDE

We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties.
- Oswald Chambers

1 STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK

Loving God, we pray your blessings upon Louis D'Amico as we celebrate his ordination. May his soul be refreshed with the love of Christ. Fill him with faith for the future.

2 MANCHESTER, ENGLAND

We give God thanks for Zygmunt Bartosz accepting the responsibility of Assistant Elder in the Manchester, England, congregation. May God help, encourage, and be with him in his work for the members and his position on the Pastoral Council.



3 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

We are welcoming a new member into our spiritual family who took a step of faith and was baptized last month. May they be wrapped in the warmth of love and filled with peace as they continue on their journey of faith.

4 QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA

We are gathering together for our regional celebration, remembering that we love because Christ first loved us (I John 4:19) Let us remember that and prayerfully praise God together: We praise you because you first loved us, before we knew your name, before we sang your songs, before we told your story, of how you'll come in glory, while we were nothing you made us something. In your Son, Jesus

5 HYDERABAD, INDIA

Join us in praying for God's inspiration and presence in our Regional Celebration this month. Join us in lifting up our time together, that we will share joyful fellowship, best practices for ministry, and the love of our Triune God with one another. May we abide in Your love during our time together.



6 GRACE COMMUNION ELDERLY MEMBERS

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.

7 MEDITATION MONDAY

II Corinthians 12:9

In his kindness, Jesus leads us forward, redeeming failures. Through him we are freed from our insecurities and are not defined by our past behavior, but by our identity as God's chosen children. What are some areas of your life where you have seen God's redemption?

8 OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Regional leaders from across the United States will gather today for annual planning meetings. Heavenly Father, we come to you today asking for your guidance, wisdom, and support as we begin this meeting. Continue to remind us that all that we do here today, all that we accomplish, is to glorify you and for the service of humanity.

9 HARVEY, ILLINOIS

Surrounded by family and friends, we baptized one of our youth into the body of Christ. Jesus, we thank you for your great goodness in calling us to know you and to put our trust in you.

10 NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND

Father, we thank you for John Gent and his answer to the call to serve in your body. We celebrate his ordination and pray that you give him wisdom, strength, and joy.

11 LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA

We joyously celebrated the baptism of one of our youth.

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth."
- 3 John 1:4

12 MANILA, PHILIPPINES

We are praising our faithful God for the opportunity our youth were given to participate in Jesus Global Youth Day. We pray that the Spirit will continue to develop these young leaders as they answer his call to serve the body.

13 GRACE COMMUNION MEMBERS

Lord, we lift up our members who are gathering in their home congregations across the globe today. Holy Spirit, communicate truth and love through every song sung, sermon given, and conversation had. May we be transformed during our time gathered, to be sent out as your lights into our neighborhoods.

14 MEDITATION MONDAY

John 8:31-32

The Word is powerful, declaring the good news of Christ our salvation. Scripture is a light revealing the way God has prepared for us. Reading verses about who God is and who he says we are untangles the facts from the fictitious lies we tell ourselves. Draw near to Jesus and spend some time with the living Word today. Live free.

15 NASSAU, BAHAMAS

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

16 MANDURAH, AUSTRALIA

Father, thank you for the diversity that enriches our precious fellowship. We gather together for our regional celebration. We thank you for the work your Spirit does through our fellowship in Western Australia. Knit together our body and help us to invite others into joyful union with you.

17 CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

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.

18 COLLEGE PARK, FLORIDA

Triune God, we praise you for the leadership team in the new GCI community launching in central Florida this weekend. As they hold their first official service, we pray for the people who you are calling to this community. Stir their hearts to see and seek you. May the service be one that points to you. Spirit, knit together all who are called to this community through your love.

19 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

God, we lift up to you our churches that are relaunching, seeking to connect with a community and be involved with them. Please continue to equip us to love the people you are calling us to love. Grant us wisdom, courage, and strength as we follow the lead of your Spirit.

20 GRACE COMMUNION LEADERS

We pray that teams in every area of our humble denomination will be REAL teams.
R elationally connected
E nthusiastically engaged
A ffirming
L iberating Leaders



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21 MEDITATION MONDAY

I Peter 2:16

Shortcuts and detours may promise satisfaction, but they often lead to disappointment and dark places. Biblical boundaries are not prisons meant to shelter us from fun, but gifts from a God longing for our best. Ask God to reveal any boundaries you need to create. May the Spirit lead you into safe freedom.

22 GRACE COMMUNION MEXICO

Let us intentionally pray for our pastors in Mexico as they pursue the high calling of pastoral ministry.

“And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.”
- Jeremiah 3:15

23 GRACE COMMUNION CANADA

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

24 GCI - EAST USA OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND

As the pastors from around the region gather, please join us in praying for their time together. Grant them wisdom and direction. May their time together equip, empower, and encourage them in their ministry.

25 CAGAYAN DE ORO, PHILIPPINES

Members and leaders from around the region are gathering this weekend to celebrate who God is. May You, the God of peace, equip our pastors with everything good for doing Your will, and may You work in them what is pleasing to You, through Jesus Christ.

26 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Prayer of Renewal

Faithful God, we praise you for your work in and through our denomination. Please continue to create in us hearts that seek to know and serve you more. Fill us with your joy and uphold us while we participate in Christ's ministry to the world.



27 GCI - USA

Leaders from across the country are gathering today for Transforming Team Communication training. Holy Spirit, please guide, prepare, and inspire participants to apply what they learn to building healthy and vibrant teams. May our leadership teams be a reflection of you, our Triune God.

28 MEDITATION MONDAY

Galatians 5:1

Our confidence is not in our ability to be perfect or holy. We rest assured in Jesus' sacrificial love and his power working in and through us. May this truth transform the way you live and love today.

29 BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Our congregation, along with many GCI churches, host trunk-or-treating to connect with their communities. Please pray that the Lord will bless and guide the efforts of the outreach teams and prepare the volunteers.

30 NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Such a joyous occasion to celebrate a new member baptism. We praise God for transformed lives.

31 BORACAY, PHILIPPINES

Members and leaders from our fellowship are gathering for a time of worship and collaboration. Please pray that we will recognize that we are stronger together in Christ and create congregations that are safe spaces to grow deeper in love and knowledge of our Triune God.

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.