

# NOVEMBER 2019 PRAYER GUIDE

To clasp the hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world. - Karl Barth

## 1 ALL SAINT'S DAY

Thank you, Lord, for our spiritual mothers and fathers who have gone before us. We thank you for the legacy of your love they leave behind. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love.

## 2 COLLEGE PARK, GEORGIA

Gracious God, we thank you for the relationships you have blessed us with. As we gather this weekend to include friends and family in our fellowship, may they experience your love in new and personal ways. Help us to build on connections that bring new commitments to journey with you.



LINGA LONGA,  
SOUTH AFRICA

## 3 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.

## 4 MEDITATION MONDAY

Luke 19:9-10  
In response to the crowd's criticism and Jesus' acceptance of him in the face of it, Zacchaeus had a change of heart and was filled with a desire to make amends. What person in your life brings the word "sinner" immediately to mind? Find a way today to validate them as being a lost-yet-found beloved child of our heavenly Father.

## 5 UNITED KINGDOM

Jesus, as our board gathers today, we ask that you guide the conversation and decisions made so that they will be pleasing you. Unite us together by your Spirit and give us the strength to carry out your will.

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## 6 HARVEY, ILLINOIS

Giver of Life, we praise you for another baptism and the new life you so freely offer. Grow your new disciple in knowledge, understanding, and experience of your love.

## 7 LINGA LONGA, SOUTH AFRICA

We are praying your blessings over Issa Kwigomba, a newly ordained elder in GCI. Reveal yourself to him and continue to guide him in the ministry you have prepared for him. Fill him with your patience, compassion, and grace.

## 8 TACLOBAN, PHILIPPINES

As we celebrate the anniversary of our congregation, we thank you, Jesus, for the joy you have given us through every prayer we have prayed, every song we have sung, and all we have learned. Please continue to guide us as we join you in building your kingdom.

## 9 CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE

We rejoice over the commissioning of Sondra Peters onto our pastoral team. Give her faith to draw near to you and love to serve the congregation and community. Help her to live out the calling you have for her.

## 10 NAIROBI, KENYA

Eternal God, with great joy and gratitude we thank you for Florenceoh Wambu and David Nzuki and celebrate their ordinations. May these servants point others to you. Give them endurance and fill them with trust as you lead them to the good work you have prepared for them.

## 11 MEDITATION MONDAY

Job 19:24-27

Through triumphs and trials, Job endeavored to keep his eyes on God and to continue trusting him. Job eventually came to see God with new eyes and was given a new, even more abundant life. Take time today to ask God to enable you to see him with new eyes. Reflect on how God has been with you in the midst of your struggles and has been faithful and loving in spite of your failures. How has he given you a new start? Or how will you spend your time waiting until he does?

## 12 VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

Father, we praise you for how you have gifted Paul Mayfield. As we celebrate his ordination, fill him with your power, love, and discipline to join with you in ministry. May he be filled with your joy and directed by you, Holy Spirit.

## 13 KENOCKEE, MICHIGAN

Jesus, your care and devotion for humanity is inspiring. We pray for our new discipleship class members. Stir in them a heart for you and desire to know you more. Empower them to respond to your call.

## 14 MYANMAR

Merciful God, we thank you for our members and leaders who are pioneers of Christian faith within their culture. Fill them with strength, provision, and wisdom as they live out the ministry you have for them.

## 15 CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

God, we thank you for the pastors and leaders who are gathering today for the Church Multiplication Ministry meetings. Inspire new ideas for community engagement, leadership development, and birthing new churches. Bless each congregation represented.

## 16 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

As seasoned believers and new believers continue to grow in grace and truth, we ask for new leaders to continue the mission and vision you have for GCI. Please continue to equip and raise servant leaders to build up your Church.

## 17 MIRAMAR, FLORIDA

Father in Heaven, we praise you for who you are. May we reflect on your inclusive nature this week as we invite your children who have stopped attending regularly to celebrate with us at our back-to-church event. May they feel your deep love and welcoming presence during our time together. Through your kindness, draw us all back to you.

## 18 MEDITATION MONDAY

Isaiah 67:18

Through his suffering servant Messiah, the covenant people of God would be recreated into people who would live in joyful faithfulness and obedience with him forever. Think about the ways in which you may struggle with stubbornness, unfaithfulness, or rebellion. Why not pause today to thank our heavenly Father for Jesus, for knowing us so completely and loving us anyway, and for making us his very own?

## 19 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

God of Truth, prepare the hearts and minds of the GCI Superintendents and leaders who are gathered together this week. Bless each person who is gathered and equip them for the work you have for them. May everyone leave with clear next steps to participate with you as you lead our fellowship forward.

## 20 BLOEMFONTEIN, SOUTH AFRICA

Lord, we praise you for the baptism of one young lady who decided to take a next step. There are more steps to follow and we trust that He who started a good work in her will draw it to completion.





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## 21 DERBY, KANSAS

God of Love, we lift up to you those who will be in our new believers' class. Open their eyes to the truth of who you are and the greatness of your love for them. Transform them into the image of Christ as they grow in relationship with you.

## 22 COLLEGE PARK, FLORIDA

Thank you, Holy Spirit, for a successful launch service for our new GCI congregation. Please continue to guide and form our fellowship as we follow your lead.

## 23 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

We praise God for the marvelous work he has done in and through our congregation as we celebrate our 59th church anniversary. Holy Spirit, continue to stir our hearts toward you, as well as serving and loving our neighbors.

## 24 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Today, celebrate that Jesus is the Lord of Life. Sovereign God, help us to listen to your voice and to join you in being bringers of justice, peace, and endless love through Jesus who rules forever.

## 25 MEDITATION MONDAY

Psalm 46:10-11

As Christ hung on the cross, he was accompanied by two thieves who hung nearby. One of these men harangued him, telling Jesus that if he really was the Messiah, he would come down off the cross and save them. The other man sensed a bit of the deep mystery as he acknowledged that they as thieves deserved what they were experiencing, and Jesus did not. Turning to Jesus, he said, "Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!" Take some time to reflect today—how is Jesus the risen Lord in the midst of your situation? Ask him to bring you with him into new life.



## 26 YAOUNDE, CAMEROON

Father, thank you for your love that permeates our precious fellowship. We praise you for the joyous spirit that was present throughout our regional celebration last month. Please continue to knit together our body and help us to invite others into joyful union with you.

## 27 SURREY HILLS, OKLAHOMA

We Praise God for the provision of land to build GC Surrey Hills Community Church and Ministry Training Center. Our hope is that it will be a place to experience God's mighty love, and provide a space where we can bring in young people interested in ministry and provide them with internships and residency programs to help equip them for their future careers as they work on their degrees. We are finishing the final touches now and plan to break ground within the next couple of months. We have been blessed by so many miracles for our little trailer house church to have come this far. Please join us in asking for God's continued guidance and protection as we move forward.

## 28 BIRMINGHAM, UNITED KINGDOM

We are praising God for the ordination of Maureen Watson. Teach her, Lord, to serve you, seek rest in you, and to do your will. May your love and grace overflow through her into the life of the congregation and the neighborhood.



## 29 CULLMAN, ALABAMA

Our hearts are filled with gratitude for the time spent growing in relationship with God and one another at our women's retreat. May the words of truth and hope take root and produce growth in each participant and to all to whom they minister. May they take away an assurance of God's love and be alert to promptings to participate in his ministry.

## 30 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

We lift up all of our brothers and sisters across our fellowship as we enter the Advent season. Bless the worship and reading of your Word, and fill us with hope as we remember that Christ has come and is coming again. Prepare our hearts to receive all that you came to offer us, Jesus.

**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](mailto:info@gci.org) with details and photos.