

FEBRUARY 2020

PRAYER

GUIDE

Prayer turns theology into experience.
- Timothy Keller

1 SOUTH AFRICA

It was such a joyous occasion to celebrate two baptisms last month. We are praising God for transformed lives and the growth of our church family.

2 DERBY, KANSAS

Please join us in praying for our Soup-er Bowl Community Event. There will be card and board games, a soup supper, and the Super Bowl football game on the big screen!

3 MEDITATION MONDAY

Romans 5:8

When we are in the midst of trials, sickness, suffering, and even dying, we can be confident that God is still with us, that he cares for us, and that he has everything under control. It may not look like it, and we certainly do not feel in control, but we can be confident that God isn't caught off guard. He can and does redeem any situation and any misfortune for our good. Take some time to ask God to show you how he is working in your circumstances.

4 BULAWAYO, ZIMBABWE

Ever-present God, you are with us wherever we go and send us to do fun, important, and life changing things with you. Today we are celebrating a joy-filled youth retreat. May all who participated continue to seek and experience you as they return home.

5 BURUNDI

We are praising God for his faithfulness and thanking you all for your prayers. The national government passed a law requiring modern buildings and development programs for churches in order to legally operate. On January 1st, the church celebrated the opening of their updated facility that complies with the new regulations and allows the dedicated leaders and members in Burundi to continue to share the love of Christ with their neighbors.



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6 TAGAYTAY CITY, PHILIPPINES

Please pray for the continued safety of the members and people who were traumatized and dislocated by the Taal Volcano eruption. There is so much mess to clean up and so many people and animals who need help. There is a great need for restoration. We also pray for safety and guidance upon our servant leaders, like Pastor Pol, who are reaching out in those areas. In the midst of this chaos, we also pray for God's Word to bring comfort, healing, and even new life to those who will listen and believe.

7 PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS

Gracious God, we thank you for the two baptisms into your body last month. May they experience new and abundant life in Christ.

8 CLEVELAND, OHIO

We are having an event on Sunday, February 23rd, next month called "Care Packages for the Community." Please pray for connections to be made as we reach out.

9 MIRAMAR, FLORIDA

Please join us in praying for our new teen small group. Join us in lifting up our time together, that we will grow in grace, love, and knowledge of who God is.

10 MEDITATION MONDAY

Mark 4:39

Take some time today to meditate on Mark 4:34-39. Reflect: What might God be telling you about your storms? How might he help you pass through safely?

11 WOODBINE, GEORGIA

We are rejoicing in the growth of our children's ministry and the baptism of a new member. May God continue to guide and renew our fellowship as we pursue sharing his love with our neighbors.

12 ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

Jesus, your care and devotion for humanity is inspiring. We thank you for the recent graduates of our discipleship class. Continue to stir in them a heart for you and desire to know you more. Empower them to respond to your call.

13 TAGBILARAN, PHILIPPINES

Grace Communion Tagbilaran started the first Sunday of the year with much celebration by blessing their newly-built community hall. May this be a place where you are glorified and all who enter experience your mercy and love.

14 GCI - AUSTRALIA

Please join us in praying for our annual national celebration. President Greg Williams and his wife, Susan, will be participating with us. Please pray that Jesus will be glorified through the preaching and fellowship, and that all who are present will be responsive to God's call and guidance on us both individually and as a fellowship.

15 HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

Members and leaders from Grace Communion Hickory joined members of the community this morning at the Peace Pole planting ceremony at the Hickory YMCA. The diversity in the city of Hickory was evident. All walks of life and faith traditions are coming together to be people of peace.

16 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Jesus, as our congregations join with you in worship across the globe, we pray that the services will inspire and fill all who attend with hope. May we gather and receive your truth to be sent out and share your love with our neighbors.

17 MEDITATION MONDAY

Matthew 15:22

God is available and present to us, as well. When we ask for mercy, we are asking for compassion and to experience God's loving kindness. Receive Jesus' gift of healing and wholeness today. Ask him for mercy and entrust your heart and the lives of those you love into his merciful hands.

18 LONGVIEW, TEXAS

Giver of Life, we praise you for two baptisms and the new life you so freely offer. Grow your new disciples in knowledge, understanding, and experience of your love.

19 PIKEVILLE, KENTUCKY

Father, we thank you for the opportunity to share your love through our community kitchen as we serve meals and meet the needs of our neighbors. Please continue to provide as we partner with local stakeholders to serve our community by sharing the love of God with good food, kindness, and hope for the future.

20 COLLEGE PARK, FLORIDA

We are praising God for his care and our international fellowship. Leaders from the College Park congregation traveled to our congregation in Moore's Island to serve in construction and rebuilding areas. Please pray for continued grace as our brothers and sisters continue to rebuild.



TAGBILARAN, PHILIPPINES

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GHANA BAPTISMS

21 QUEENS, NEW YORK

Join us in praying for God's inspiration and presence as we make significant changes to our worship day to be intentional and welcoming, as well as to create a clear discipleship pathway.

22 NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

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.

23 TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, whose compassion illumines the world. Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

24 MEDITATION MONDAY

1 Chronicles 16:23-25

Worship is a means God has given us of rehearsing and remembering who he is and what he has done for us. Through worship, God helps us more deeply understand and value who he is and what he has given us. In worship, we praise God for his power and love. We express and act out our faith that he will always be the most important reality in our lives. Our praise helps us put life into better perspective.

What truths about God do you need to be reminded of today? Meditate on verses, journal, praise through song, or talk with a friend about these truths.

25 HARARE CENTRAL, ZIMBABWE

We are celebrating a successful first Life Club Meeting for our members. Gracious God, we ask that you fill us with new hope, restoration, and renewal as we gather together to study your Word.

26 CROSSWAY, PHILIPPINES

Join us in thanking God for the thirteen recent graduates of our discipleship program. We pray for continued fellowship, discipleship, and deeper relationships with Father, Son, and Spirit that have flourished in our congregation and community.



CROSSWAY, PHILIPPINES

27 GCI- USA

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

28 GCNEXT TEAM

The GCNext Team is a team of emergent young adult leaders in GCI USA who have said yes to an opportunity to be equipped and empowered to actively participate in the ministry of Jesus. It was a Spirit-inspired weekend of prayer, fellowship, team building, vision-casting, planning, games, worship, and more. We are encouraged by the enthusiasm this team has for what God is doing in GCI. Please join in prayer for these faithful leaders as they continue to follow Jesus and say yes to participating with him in ministry.

29 GHANA

It is such a joyous occasion to celebrate the baptism of two new members. Father, continue to encircle them with your love as they walk with you.

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.