JULY 2021

PRAYER GUIDE

“Prayer is continuing a conversation that God has started through his Word and his grace, which eventually becomes a full encounter with him.” — Timothy Keller

1 PRAYERS FOR GRADUATES

God, we lift up all the graduates who are entering new seasons. We thank you for the ways you have led them to this moment of achievement. As they enter their next chapter, we ask that you give them everything they need for what lies ahead. Help them rest in your promise that with you all things are possible!

2 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, USA

Please join us in prayer for the participants and staff of the day camp our congregation is hosting. We ask God to be present and active in building relationships. May all who participate develop friendships with other kids and loving adults. We also pray that the Spirit moves to begin or deepen their friendship with Jesus.

3 CROSSWAY, PHILIPPINES

We were so happy to see the reactions of dads when we surprised them with donuts on Father’s Day. When you spread love, it goes a long way. We thank God for them and pray that they would lead their families well.

4 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

God who is our refuge, we put all that we love in your hands. Without you, nothing is strong and nothing is holy. Help us trust you more and multiply your mercy in our lives. Jesus, with you as our Savior, and with the Spirit as our guide, move in our worship gatherings today and in the hearts of your people to lose all that is temporary. Fix and root us in what is eternal. Amen.

5 MEDITATION MONDAY

Mark 1:15 - The kingdom of God was birthed in the incarnation of Jesus Christ, but not like most Jews expected. He didn’t come as their expected Jewish Messiah, leading a rebellion against the Romans. Contrarily, Jesus showed up to transform our view of who God is and, consequently, who we are in him. In his divinity, Jesus came as the benevolent ruler, and, in his humanity, the loyal subject of his kingdom, thus becoming the physical intersection for both God and man. Jesus lived, died, and rose for us and as us. He completely nullified the consequences of the Fall and brought us all into eternal union with the Father, Son, and Spirit. God longs for us to truly believe this good, good news. Father, give us hearts and minds that are open to new ways of believing. Jesus, help us to see with your eyes and hear with your heart. Holy Spirit, speak to our soul through divine revelations.
God of love, we thank you for the ways you have gifted Matt & Carissa Randall. Anoint their ministry as we celebrate their commissioning onto the Pastoral Team.

We praise God for the ways he has provided for us to be a light in our community. Recently the church was privileged to have its Dug Water Well upgraded in recognition of the roles the church is playing through the Under-Five Clinic and the Safe Motherhood programs. We thank God for the upgraded Dug Water Well. It will go a long way in providing safe water to its surrounding communities and church members.

We are rejoicing in the baptisms in our congregation last month. Holy Spirit, help them to continue to grow in faith and transform their lives for their good and God’s glory.

Thank you, God, for your faithfulness to provide for us. Furniture was donated that will allow us to use our facility for leadership and ministry training. We pray for fruitful sessions to support the pastoral work of our ministry leaders and workers. May we truly be equipped to reflect the priesthood of all believers that Jesus invites us into.

God of grace, who never fails to help and direct the steps of those who seek your will, we ask that you keep us under the protection of your good purposes for us. During our Sunday services this week, we ask that you fill us with a love for you and deep desire to honor you in thought, word, and deed. Amen.

Lord, we thank you for Justine Paolo Parcasio and celebrate his ordination. Thank you for the power which he has been given to carry on the work of Christ in a world desperate for the good news. Be his comfort, joy, and strength in this new role for him.

Mighty God, thank you for hearing and answering our prayers. Our youth gathered for the first time since the pandemic. Thank you for your presence during our time apart and our time together, and for the ten new participants at the event. May we live in the light of your salvation.

Father, bless your name. Thank you for the ways that you meet us during our “ladies link up” virtual meetings that help us to stay connected. You alone are good, and your steadfast love endures forever.

As our churches begin to gather, many are taking the opportunity to seek a new location where they can connect with a community. Please lift up their searches and ask God to continue to equip them to love the people you are calling them to love. Ask God to go before them to make the crooked places straight in finding a new home, and that he would grant them the wisdom to make good decisions.

Lord, hear the prayers of your people as we gather to worship you as the Church. By your help, may we be comforted in all that we face, and may we be protected from anything that may bring us harm. Be near to us, Jesus. Let your nearness be our good. Amen.
Our congregations from around the world will be worshipping together as our Denominational Celebration culminates in a worship service. Even if you are not registered for the Celebration, visit Grace Communion International - GCI | Facebook or Grace Communion International (gci.org) at 11:00 AM Eastern Time to worship with us. May God’s peace be in our hearts, his grace be in our words, and his joy be in our souls throughout our time together.

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We joyously celebrated the baptism of three new members.

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- 3 John 1:4

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Jesus, thank you for being the source of all true joy in life. Help us find our joy in you. May your voice sound clearly above all others as we continue to participate in the Celebration today. May your love surround us, your Spirit guide us, your voice cheer us, your peace calm us, your shield protect us, and your wisdom arm us, wherever you are leading us forward, as one body.

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