



GRACE COMMUNION  
INTERNATIONAL

# JUNE 2022 PRAYER GUIDE

**“Praying is letting one’s own heart become the place where the tears of God’s children merge and become tears of hope.” — Henri Nouwen**

## 1 TALISAY CITY, PHILIPPINES

Loving God, we praise you for the twelve baptisms our congregation celebrated last month. As we welcome our newly baptized members into our fellowship, we thank you once again for your gift of grace and the forgiveness you give each of us.

## 2 VICTORIA, CANADA

Wise, loving, and merciful God, you invite us into ministry with you. Thank you for Kathe and Don Jodrell who were ordained as the pastoral team for Victoria. We celebrate their ordinations and ask that you will continue to guide them in their ministry and in your way of truth and peace.

## 3 CLEVELAND, OHIO, US

God of love, we thank you for the gift of fellowship with you and fellowship with one another. We praise you for another meaningful LiLY Conference. It was amazing to see 80 women and teens come together and experience the power of the Holy Spirit and learn to put our faith in action, living out the scripture: Romans 8:28



## 4 LOVE AVENUE PRAYER

Your Spirit fills heaven and earth and your Word reaches the ends of the world. We celebrate that our denominational family extends to each corner of the globe. We lift up our members around the world today. Connect us to you and one another. Show us how we can contribute to sharing your good news in our neighborhoods.

## 5 MANILA, PHILIPPINES

We are celebrating the regathering of our in-person worship services. We ask that you join us in praying for God’s presence to be palpable as we gather for worship and fellowship.

## 6 MEDITATION MONDAY: MATTHEW 5:6, 9

We may sometimes be tempted to look at the pain in our world and wonder where God is in all of this. Is God doing something about the destruction and injustice we see? The truth is yes, and He does so through His followers, the Church. As children of God, we are called to partner with Christ in healing and restoring God’s good world. We are called to thirst for righteousness and be peacemakers in our communities. We are called to incarnate the love of Christ, to radically love as He loves. Ask Holy Spirit to lead you to practical ways you can practice justice and follow God’s kingdom agenda.



## 7 PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, US

Giver of every good gift, we thank you for the generosity of our local grocery store, which donated flowers for us to share with our neighbors for Mother's Day weekend. Spirit, we ask that you deepen the connections that were made through our neighborhood engagement and draw our community to you.

## 8 NAIROBI, KENYA

Loving God, we ask for discernment for the leaders who were gathered in Nairobi for our recent conference and have returned home. Inspire them to apply what they have learned to their ministry.

## 9 CINCINNATI (EAST), OHIO, US

We joyfully celebrate two baptisms within our congregation. We pray for the new season of their lives with you. Thank you that in your great love you have called us to know you and to trust you.

## 10 LADSON, SOUTH CAROLINA, USA

Gracious God, we pray for a vibrant missional heartbeat to permeate GCI congregations. We lift up to you the Outside the Walls Missional Event that is being hosted in Ladson this weekend. We ask that you would deepen the connections made, unite your people, and draw all who attend closer to you.

## 11 LOVE AVENUE PRAYER MAPPING NEIGHBORHOOD

Father, Son, and Spirit, we follow your lead and answer your call as we share your love with our neighbors. Give us the eyes to see and the wisdom to respond to the needs we see around us. Fill us with compassion as we join in with the suffering of all who share our city. Grant us peace, favor, and wisdom as we invite our neighbors into deeper relationship with you.

## 12 ORDINARY TIME PRAYER

As we enter into the season of Ordinary Time, join us in this prayer: Jesus, the Living Word, you have brought us out of darkness into the light of your grace. Mercifully help us to walk in that light. Let it guide our steps and govern our hearts. Empower us to give faithful attention to your ministry and mission.

## 13 MEDITATION MONDAY: ROMANS 12:1

We worship God because He is actually deserving of our worship, allegiance, and devotion. How do we worship? By honoring God with the bodies, He has given us. It can be easy to forget how miraculous and precious our bodies are. Each of us is created intricately in our mother's womb, woven together by our Maker with awe and wonder. As followers of Christ, we must remember we are not our own and we were bought by the blood of Jesus. Therefore, we surrender to God every aspect of our lives, acknowledging that everything we have belongs to Him. Reflect on what each part of your body can do. How are you choosing to honor God with the amazing body He's given you?

## 14 LEMON GROVE, CALIFORNIA, US

Constant One, we celebrate your faithfulness to us. We thank you for the opportunity to partner with our local food distribution center. May each person who receives a meal that was prepared experience your presence with them in deep and tangible ways.

## 15 LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, US

Loving Father, we thank you for the ways you invite us into ministry. We are grateful for our baby bottle partnership with our local women's center. May the women who are served there deeply feel your love, provision, and protection.

## 16 EUGENE, OREGON, US

We rejoice, faithful God, in your work in our congregation. As we seek to be learners first, reveal to us the gifts you have given us and the ways you are equipping us to share your love with our neighbors.

## 17 GCI-UK

Almighty God, we ask for your inspiration and presence through our national conference. May we share joyful fellowship, best practices for ministry, and the love of our triune God with one another. Help us to abide in your love during our time together.

## 18 LOVE AVENUE PRAYER MAKING FRIENDS

Jesus, it is your person and presence that compels us to love. Empower us through your love to listen, care, and engage with our neighbors. Help us to see the unique ways they bear your image and to be curious in discovering how you are working in their lives.

## 19 FATHER'S DAY

We thank God for our earthly dads and for those who play the role of dad in our lives. We ask for wisdom and strength as they fill the role of a parent. We ask for your blessings and help in honoring them today!

## 20 MEDITATION MONDAY: LUKE 6:35

How well do we love the people we can't stand? As followers of Christ, we are called by Jesus to seek the well-being of all people. Our obedience and devotion to Christ comes first, even if we don't feel like it. This means taking Jesus seriously, being teachable, and choosing to follow Him consistently as the Lord of our lives. It is important for us to recognize that we cannot love as Jesus loves without changing the way we think. Think about some difficult people in your life, maybe people who are very different from you. Ask Jesus to transform your mind about the way you view these people through His compassion, forgiveness, and grace to all.

## 21 MECHANICSVILLE, VIRGINIA, US

We ask for you to hold our Hands and Feet Camp 2022 in prayer. We're going to have a blast at Mechanicsville Elementary School, June 20-23 from 8-noon. May all who attend continue afterward to commune with Jesus, our Prince of Peace.

## 22 SURREY HILLS, OKLAHOMA, US

Ever-loving God, we thank you for the gift of being with you and one another. We are grateful for the joy-filled young adult BBQ. Beyond the food and fun that was shared, may all who attended carry a sense of belonging and remember your love that was shared during our time together.





## 23 INTERNATIONAL WIDOWS DAY

Lord, as we lift up our widows today, we ask that you meet them at their point of need. Give them divine strength and a sense of belonging in our church family. Thank you, Lord, for the ways you provide for us all.

## 24 SOUTH KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, US

Lord, we are grateful that you invite us to join in your great commission. We thank you for the group gathering today to host an Outside the Walls Missional Event. Ignite their gifting and passion to participate in your ministry and prepare them for the relationships that will be built through their neighborhood engagement.

## 25 LOVE AVENUE PRAYER MISSIONAL ACTIVITIES

God, we know that you are a sending God. Keep our hearts and minds open so that we willingly seek to touch those outside the four walls of the church. Inspire and equip us to create spaces where your love will be experienced.



## 26 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Many of our congregations are looking for new facilities. Join us in praying that God will lead us to new locations and that he will provide us with more than just a meeting place, but a space to minister to our neighbors.

## 27 MEDITATION MONDAY: ROMANS 8:21

Albert Einstein said, "There are two ways to live: As if nothing is a miracle, or as if everything is a miracle." One of the ways we partner with Christ in healing our world is by being good stewards of His creation, the miracle that feeds and sustains us. Loving, nurturing, and caring for the earth is a spiritual discipline that every person can practice as fellow creatures of the one Creator God. What if we chose to live every day as if everything God created truly is a miracle? Ask God to help you practice humility, responsibility, and gratitude for our precious earth.

## 28 KENOSHA, MICHIGAN, US

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



## 29 GALWAY, IRELAND

Join us in praying for in our Galway Celebration, Our theme is from, 1 Thessalonians 3:12 25:40 (TPT) "And may the Lord increase your love until it overflows toward one another and for all people, just as our love overflows toward you." We'll be exploring this theme over 5 days of sermons, worship, prayer, communion, and conversation, and there will be plenty of opportunities for fellowship and fun. We ask that everyone who attends will experience renewal in Christ.

## 30 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Jesus, you are the good shepherd. We pray that you inspire our pastors and leaders with your vision for each flock. Give them eyes to see your provision and ears to hear where their communities are calling in need. Lead our congregations where you would have us go.

**DOES YOUR CHURCH HAVE AN EVENT, CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER REQUEST, OR PRAISE REPORT YOU WOULD LIKE INCLUDED IN NEXT MONTH'S PRAYER GUIDE OR OTHER GCI PUBLICATIONS?**

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