

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 ESV**

CLEVELAND, OHIO, US

Gracious God, we rejoice in the gift of new life through baptism! Thank you for drawing our sister in Christ into deeper union with you. May your Spirit continue to guide, strengthen, and fill her with joy as she walks in faith. Let her life be a reflection of your grace and a witness to your love.

4 ECCLESIASTES 2:11 ESV

Jesus met some people who trusted in their own righteousness, so he told a parable about two people who went into the temple to pray. The Pharisee was meticulous in his keeping of the law, and thanked God he was not like the sinful tax collector, who was praying nearby. The tax collector admitted he was a sinner, and he humbly asked only for God's mercy. In God's kingdom, Jesus says, it is the humble person who is justified. We cannot trust in our own ability to get it right. What are you trusting in — yourself or Jesus Christ?

2 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Thank you for the way you have crafted our international fellowship. Thank you for your desire to see your love extend around the entire globe to each and every human being. Though we are far apart geographically, knit us closely together in your love as one community of believers.

5 gweru, zimbabwe

Faithful God, we give thanks for the time of retreat shared by the men's ministry in Zimbabwe. Thank you for the moments of prayer, learning, fellowship, and communion that drew hearts closer to you and to one another. May the fruit of this retreat continue to grow in their lives, families, and congregations. Empower them to live as faithful witnesses of your grace and love.

3 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

This is the season when we develop our budgets for the upcoming year. Join us in thanking God for his provision and asking him for wisdom and discernment in the stewardship of finances as we share the gospel across the globe.

6 BAGUIO, PHILIPPINES

Ever-faithful God, we rejoice in the ordination of Aurora Parcasio as Associate Pastor and give thanks for your calling upon her life. Anoint her with your Spirit as she steps into this role of service, teaching, and shepherding. May her leadership be marked by humility, wisdom, and love, and may her ministry bear fruit that draws others deeper into relationship with you. Strengthen her with courage and joy as she partners with you in the work of your kingdom.



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7 auckland, new zealand

Loving God, we give thanks for your calling on Anthony Dandy as he is commissioned to serve as pastor. Fill him with your Spirit, equipping him with wisdom, compassion, and courage to shepherd your people faithfully. May his leadership reflect the heart of Christ and his ministry bear fruit that draws others into deeper relationship with you. Surround him with support and encouragement as he steps into this sacred role.

8 QUEENS, NEW YORK, US

Joyful Redeemer, we celebrate the baptism of your beloved child, rejoicing in the new life he now shares with us in Christ. Thank you for the grace that has drawn him into your family and the hope that now anchors their journey of faith. Let their life be a shining witness to your goodness and transforming power.

9 GLENDORA, CALIFORNIA, US

Joyful Creator, we thank you for the energy and laughter that fills our neighborhood through this water battle event. As families and neighbors gather, may this time overflow with fun, connection, and a spirit of welcome. Let each splash and smile reflect your delight in community and play. Bless every person who attends, and may new friendships form through the joy shared today.



God of love, we rejoice in the gathering of your people for Nigeria's annual convention. Thank you for the truth that you are love, perfect, faithful, and unfailing. May this time of worship, teaching, and fellowship deepen every heart's understanding of your nature and stir a renewed commitment to reflect your love in the world. Let the joy of this gathering carry forward, bearing lasting fruit in the lives of all who attended.

PSALM 89:15-16 ESV

Jesus compared the kingdom of God with a wedding feast prepared by a king for his son. Those on his guest list didn't come, so he invited others. Instead of joyfully attending this festive occasion, they attacked and killed his servants. In the end, the king filled his banquet hall with whomever he could find. In Jesus, we are invited to participate by the Spirit in the union and communion of our triune God, to feast upon his goodness, love, and grace. What is our response to our King's invitation? Are we willing to receive the glorious garments of God's grace by faith in Jesus? Or are we still insisting on wearing our own "formal suit" of human effort?

12 MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

Risen Lord, we rejoice in the new life received through baptism. Thank you for drawing us into your love and welcoming us into your family. Surround your child with a community that nurtures and encourages their faith.

3 GCI MEDIA

Holy Spirit, we thank you for the giftings you have given our media team and for our time of reflection and planning. As we seek your guidance for the year ahead, fill our conversations with clarity, unity, and fresh imagination rooted in your mission. Help us to listen well, dream boldly, and align every idea with your heart for the church and the world. May our strategies serve to glorify you and draw others into deeper connection with your truth and love.

14 PERTH, AUSTRALIA

Loving God, we celebrate the joy and connection shared during the recent three-day ladies' retreat. Thank you for each woman who attended — members, returning friends, and new faces alike — each bringing their unique gifts and presence to create a meaningful time of fellowship. We praise you for the laughter, the bonding, and the desire already growing for future gatherings. May the relationships formed continue to deepen, and may your Spirit continue the good work you began in each heart.

15 CLEVELAND, OHIO, US

Compassionate God, today we celebrate your faithfulness in the life of our newest member who has taken this step of faith through baptism. Thank you for the washing of grace, the promise of new beginnings, and the call to walk in the way of Jesus. Let their story be a witness to your goodness and love.



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17 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Gracious God, we thank you for the ministry teams in our congregations. We pray that you will continue to raise up team members who are faithful, available, teachable, and enthusiastic. Help us make space for new leaders and integrate them into unified and diverse teams.

78 PSALM 32:5 ESV

Jesus told a story about a son who demanded his inheritance, took it to a far country, and spent it all in frivolous living. Having no resources left, he fed a farmer's pigs and longed for better days. Meanwhile, his father, anxiously longing for his return, paced the porch, watching the road. The minute he saw his son, he ran to meet him and welcomed him home. In God's kingdom, we do not have to try to come up with ways to get God to forgive and accept us. We need only admit how far we have fallen and place our feet once again on the road home. Pause for a moment and reflect — do you need reconsider the direction you are walking right now and head home?



21 GRACE COMMUNION SEMINARY

Join us in praying for the students starting a new semester of classes in GCS. We pray for wisdom and strength for the students, teachers, and administrators. May they be equipped for the good works God has for each of them.

24 GCI-EUROPE

God of Peace, we lift up the conference taking place in Italy for European leaders. May this be a time of deep connection, shared vision, and Spirit-led discernment. Bless each leader with clarity, unity, and renewed passion for your mission across Europe. Let their time together strengthen relationships and inspire fresh expressions of your kingdom. May all that is said and done bring glory to you and bear lasting fruit.

9 CARINA, AUSTRALIA

Ever-present God, we thank you for the joy and enthusiasm shared during the Bible study and games evening with the Congolese youth. Thank you for the laughter, learning, and meaningful connection around your Word – and for the simple joy of sharing a meal together. May each gathering continue to strengthen their faith, deepen friendships, and remind them of your love and presence in every part of life. Bless each young person as they grow in grace and community.

22 GCI-AFRICA

Sovereign God, we thank you for the faithful service of the ministry boards in South Africa and Zambia as they gathered for their mid-year meetings. Bless the time they shared, every conversation, decision, and plan with your guidance and peace. May their work continue to strengthen the church, support its leaders, and reflect your heart for your people. Grant them unity, clarity, and renewed vision as they carry out the responsibilities entrusted to them.

20 STEELE CREEK, NC, US

Faithful God, we give thanks for the growth and dedication of the Orchard graduates from GCSC. Thank you for guiding them through this season of discovery, learning, and creative ministry development. May the gifts they've explored continue to flourish as they serve your church and community with purpose and joy. Bless their future steps with clarity, boldness, and a deep sense of your presence in all they do.

23 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

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.

25 HEBREWS 3:7-8a ESV

Jesus met with strong opposition from the religious leaders of his day. So, he told them about some tenants of a vineyard, who when asked for the harvest by the landowner, rejected his request. When the landowner sent his son to them in order to ensure that they did as he requested, they killed the son. In a pointed correction to those who opposed him, Jesus said that he, the very one they opposed, would become the cornerstone of their salvation, in and through his death. But they still were not willing to listen to Jesus — their hearts were hard. Is there something that the Spirit has been trying to say to you, but you aren't wanting to hear? Ask Jesus for a change of heart, and then listen.



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26 market harborough, uk

Gracious Father, we thank you for the laughter, learning, and connection shared during neighborhood summer camps. You are present in every game played, story told, and meal shared. We celebrate the safe and welcoming spaces where children and families encountered love and joy. May the seeds planted continue to grow into lasting relationships and deeper faith.

29 big sandy, texas, us

Everlasting Light, we celebrate the way you work through summer camp moments, small and big, to reveal your presence. Thank you for the creativity, care, and unity poured into these neighborhood gatherings. We give you all the glory for what was shared and what will continue to grow.

27 CAPE TOWN, RSA

Generous Provider, we thank you for the joyful spirit and strong support shown during the recent fundraising event in Cape Town South. We celebrate the laughter, connection, and generosity that filled the evening, all in service of creating opportunities for youth to experience your love through camp. Bless every person who gave, participated, or served, and continue to multiply these efforts for lasting impact.

28 PIKEVILLE, KENTUCKY, US

Faithful One, we praise you for the joy and fellowship shared during the Carnival for Christ at Fairview Apartments. Thank you for the strength and heart of those who served in the heat to create a meaningful and fun day for the children and families. We celebrate the laughter, connection, and love that filled every corner of the event. May the spirit of this day continue to build relationships and reflect the joy of your kingdom.

30 porto novo, Benin

Sovereign Lord, we give thanks for the growth and joy springing from the two church plants in Porto Novo, Benin. We praise you for the faithful leadership and the vibrant community that has taken root through worship, study, and celebration. As songs of praise and dancing have filled these gatherings, may your Spirit continue to guide and bless every step forward. Strengthen these churches in faith, unity, and purpose, and lead them into even deeper growth and impact in their neighborhoods.



31 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, US

Everlasting God, we give you praise for 55 years of faithful ministry in this congregation. Thank you for the generations of lives touched, the prayers lifted, and the love shared in your name. As they celebrate this milestone, may your Spirit renew their vision and deepen their commitment to your mission. Let their legacy inspire continued faithfulness and fruitfulness for years to come. Would your church like to be included in a future Prayer Guide?

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