

JULY 2026

# Prayer Guide



CAPETOWN,  
SOUTH AFRICA



CLEVELAND,  
OHIO, US

**"God speaks in the  
silence of the heart.  
Listening is the  
beginning of prayer."**

**Mother Teresa**

## 01 Cincinnati, Ohio, US

Faithful Father, we thank you for the opportunity we had to gather as neighbors and friends through this community yard sale. We are grateful for each conversation, each act of generosity, and each moment of connection that was shared throughout the day. Thank you for the ways your hospitality and kindness were reflected through fellowship. Continue to deepen the relationships that were formed and remind us of the joy of sharing life together in your love.

## 02 Ladson, South Carolina, US

Gracious God, thank you for the time we shared together at this women's conference and for the wisdom and fellowship we experienced along the way. We are grateful for every conversation, every moment of worship, and every reminder of your faithful presence in our lives. Thank you for the ways you strengthened hearts, renewed minds, and deepened relationships among the women who gathered. Continue to guide and encourage each participant.

## 03 Hyderabad, Telangana, India

Good Shepherd, thank you for the beautiful evening we shared together through this community worship music night. We are grateful for every song that was lifted in praise, every voice joined in worship, and every moment that reminded us of your faithfulness and love. Thank you for drawing people together in unity and creating space for renewed hope. May the spirit of worship we experienced continue to shape our hearts and strengthen our fellowship in the days ahead.

## 04 Grace Communion International

Loving God, stir a vibrant missional heartbeat within every GCI congregation. Lead us with wisdom and clarity as we discern how to share your love in the neighborhoods you have placed on our hearts. You have blessed us richly, and we pray that we will reflect that blessing outward as we join you in your work of renewal, reconciliation, and grace in the world. Shape us into communities that embody your kingdom and faithfully participate in your mission.



**05 Grace Communion International members**

Compassionate God, fill our members with the joy of your presence and the courage to live as your witnesses. As Colossians 3:16 reminds us, may your Word dwell richly among us, shaping our conversations, our gatherings, and our daily lives. Guide us in love and unity so that we may encourage one another and reflect your grace in all we do. Strengthen us to serve as your hands and feet in our communities, sharing your compassion and hope with those around us.

**06 Matthew 13:31-32 NIV**

We often look for clear signs that God is working, something visible and unmistakable. Yet Jesus points us to something small, almost forgettable, a seed. It does not demand attention, yet within it, life quietly unfolds. In our daily lives, God's kingdom often begins the same way: a gentle response instead of anger, a whispered prayer, a quiet act of kindness. These moments seem small, but they carry eternal weight. Growth is already happening beneath the surface. God is not absent in the ordinary. He is present, and we are learning to trust him even when we do not see immediate results. Where might we be overlooking small beginnings where God is already at work?

**07 Cleveland, Ohio, US**

Merciful Lord, thank you for the gift of gathering together at the LiLY women's conference and for the ways your Spirit moved among us throughout our time together. We are grateful for the strengthened friendships and the reminders of your faithfulness that renewed our hearts. Thank you for meeting each woman with your grace and drawing us deeper into fellowship with you and one another. Continue to guide and sustain us as we carry the hope and encouragement of this gathering into our daily lives.

**08 GCI-Bangladesh**

Faithful Father, we rejoice in the four baptisms we celebrated and give thanks for the visible witness of your grace at work in these lives. Thank you for drawing each person closer to you and reminding us of the hope, renewal, and belonging we share in Christ. May the joy of this celebration continue to encourage our fellowship and strengthen us as we walk together in faith. Guide each newly baptized believer as they continue growing in your love and truth.



GLENDORA, CALIFORNIA, US



SUVA, FIJI

**09 Steele Creek, North Carolina, US**

Good Shepherd, thank you for the sacred joy we experienced through our two recent baptisms and for the reminder that we belong to you. We are grateful for the testimonies of faith, the support of the gathered community, and the celebration of new life in Christ. Continue to surround these brothers and sisters with encouragement, wisdom, and grace as they follow you each day. May our congregation continue to reflect your love as we journey together in faith.

**10 Suva, Fiji**

Faithful God, thank you for the meaningful fellowship, learning, and joy shared throughout this retreat in Fiji. We are grateful for the encouraging messages that reminded us that Kingdom Living is reflected not only in what we believe, but in how we live, serve, and love others each day. Thank you for the conversations, reflections, and moments of connection that deepened our understanding of participating in your kingdom together. Continue to shape us by your Spirit so that our lives may shine with the love and grace of Christ in our homes, churches, and communities.

**11 Grace Communion International**

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. Through the summer engagement events hosted by our congregations, help us to see the unique ways they bear your image and to be curious in discovering how you are working in their lives.

**12 Grace Communion International**

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.

**13 Matthew 13:33 NIV**

Those who bake understand that yeast works quietly. It is hidden, almost invisible, yet over time it transforms everything. Jesus uses this image to show how God's kingdom moves within us. Not always through dramatic moments, but through steady, inward change. We may not feel different right away. Life still has its challenges. Our reactions soften. Our patience deepens. Our perspective changes. Transformation often happens quietly before it becomes visible. God is faithfully at work in places we cannot measure. As we continue to walk with him, we begin to notice that we are no longer who we used to be. Where might God be quietly transforming us from the inside out?

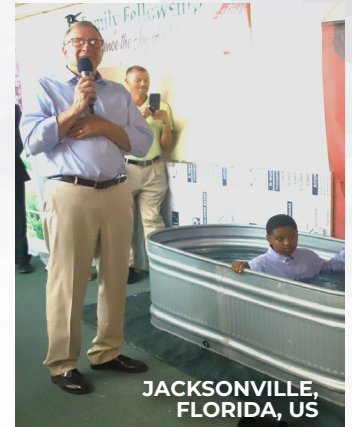


## 14 Yangon, Myanmar

Gracious Lord, we thank you for the pastors, elders, leaders, church planters, and pastoral teams who gathered from across Myanmar for this training conference. Thank you for the opportunity they had to learn together, encourage one another, and grow in wisdom and unity as servants of your people. Strengthen them for the work you have called them to and fill them with discernment as they lead in their churches and communities. May the relationships formed and the truths shared during this gathering continue to bear fruit in the life and mission of your Church.

## 15 Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, US

Gracious God, we thank you for the beautiful celebration of baptism we shared together. Thank you for the courage and faith expressed by those who entered the waters and for the encouragement this brought to our whole fellowship. Through this celebration, you reminded us again of your steadfast love and the new life we have in Jesus. Strengthen each baptized believer with your Spirit and continue forming us into a community marked by hope, unity, and grace.



## 16 Arima, Trinidad

Loving Father, we thank you for the opportunities you have given us to participate in your mission through loving and serving families in our neighborhood. Continue to guide us with wisdom and compassion as we build relationships, offer support, and create spaces of belonging for those around us. May every act of hospitality reflect the love of Christ and remind families that they are welcomed and deeply cared for by you. Strengthen us to be a faithful presence in our community as we share your hope through our lives and actions.

## 17 GCI-Philippines

Holy God, thank you for the ten recent baptisms we witnessed and for the joy that filled our congregation as we celebrated together. We are grateful for the ways this occasion reminded us of your faithfulness and your ongoing work of transformation in our lives. Thank you for the love and support shared by family, friends, and our church community throughout this meaningful moment. Continue to lead and sustain those who were baptized as they grow in faith and participate in your mission in the world.

## 18 Grace Communion International

Faithful God, who lovingly guides all who seek your way, we ask that you hold us within the shelter of your good and perfect will. As our congregations gather for worship this Sunday, stir within us a deeper love for you and a longing to glorify you with our thoughts, our words, and our actions. May your presence shape us and draw us closer to your heart.



## 19 GCI Home Office

Generous Provider, we praise you for your faithful care and abundant provision for our fellowship. As we plan ahead for the 2027 fiscal year, grant us wisdom and discernment to steward the resources you've entrusted to us. May every decision reflect your heart and further your kingdom purposes in the world.

## 20 Matthew 13:44 NIV

When the man discovered the treasure, his response was immediate and joyful. This parable reminds us that God's kingdom is not just valuable, it is everything. When we begin to see Jesus more clearly, our priorities start to shift. What once felt urgent loses its grip. What once seemed distant becomes deeply meaningful. Following him is not about losing something precious. It is about discovering what is truly precious. Surrender begins to feel less like sacrifice and more like joy. When our hearts recognize the treasure, letting go becomes an act of freedom. What might God be inviting us to release so we can more fully embrace his kingdom?

## 21 Jacksonville, Florida, US

Good Shepherd, we give thanks for the three baptisms celebrated within this congregation and for the beautiful reminder of your transforming grace. Thank you for the faith, courage, and joy expressed through this sacred moment, and for the encouragement it brought to the entire fellowship. Continue to surround these newly baptized believers with wisdom, support, and deep assurance of your love as they grow in Christ. May this congregation continue to be a place of belonging, discipleship, and faithful participation in your kingdom.

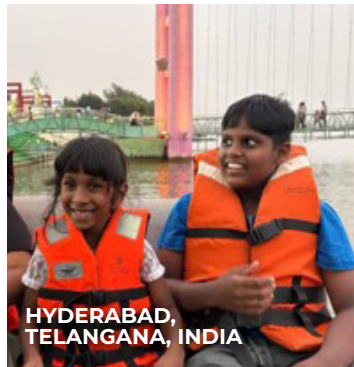
## 22 Durham, North Carolina, US

Faithful Father, we thank you for the joy of commissioning leaders within the Grace Communion Durham church plant. It is truly grace upon grace to witness these beloved children of God serving others with willing hearts and joyful spirits. Strengthen and guide them as they participate in your ministry and continue shaping this congregation into a community marked by love, humility, and faithful witness. May their leadership reflect the compassion and servant-hearted love of Christ in all they do.



## 23 Grace Communion International

Holy God, we rejoice in our denominational celebration alongside leaders and members throughout the world. Thank you for the many ways your Spirit is at work across congregations, cultures, and communities, drawing people together in unity and hope. Encourage your church as we continue participating in your mission and sharing the good news of Jesus with the world around us. May our fellowship continue to reflect your kingdom through love, grace, and joyful service.



HYDERABAD,  
TELANGANA, INDIA

## 25 Prayer for Unity

Reconciling God, you who tear down dividing walls and gather all people into your love, we pray for our communities who need healing. May your Spirit guide us as agents of unity, bearing witness to your inclusive grace in every neighborhood conversation. Let our churches shine as places of welcome, and let our lives reflect the peace and hospitality of Christ. Help us move beyond what divides, and embody the good news of reconciliation you have entrusted to us.

## 24 Glendora, California, US

Gracious God, thank you for the joyful time shared together at this church life picnic in the park. We are grateful for the laughter, conversations, meals, and moments of fellowship that strengthened our connections as a congregation. Thank you for the beauty of creation that surrounded us and for the reminder that life together is a gift from you. Continue to deepen our relationships and shape us into a community that reflects your welcome, joy, and love.

## 26 Grace Communion International

Creator God, you formed the heavens with beauty and purpose and breathe life into all things. As we serve you in ministry, fill us with holy imagination, with ideas rooted in love, shaped by your Spirit, and bold enough to move beyond what is familiar. Break through the barriers of fear, fatigue, and the habit of saying, "we've always done it this way." Help us listen to you and to one another with open minds and willing hearts. May our efforts reflect the beauty of your kingdom and invite others to encounter your grace in unexpected ways.

## 27 Romans 8:28 NIV

There are seasons when life feels confusing, even painful, and nothing seems to make sense. Yet this promise reminds us that God is at work in all things, not just the parts we understand. Like a seed beneath the soil, his work is often hidden before it becomes visible. Something is happening even when we cannot see it. We may not understand the process, but we can trust his heart. God is not distant in our struggles. He is present, redeeming, shaping, and bringing life in ways we cannot yet see. His goodness is not dependent on our understanding, but on who he is. Where is God inviting us to trust his unseen work more deeply today?

## 28 Hyderabad, Telangana, India

Faithful Father, thank you for the time shared together at the youth retreat last month and for the ways you met each young person through fellowship, worship, and meaningful conversations. We are grateful for the strengthened friendships, the moments of joy experienced, and the reminders of your constant presence and love. Continue to guide these young people as they grow in faith, encouraging them to trust you more deeply and reflect the hope of Christ in their daily lives. May the seeds planted during the retreat continue to bear fruit in their hearts and communities.

## 29 Cape Town, South Africa

Good Shepherd, we thank you for the youth camp and for the laughter, learning, and encouragement that filled those days together. Thank you for the leaders, volunteers, and families who made the experience possible and for the ways your Spirit was at work among the youth. Through games, conversations, worship, and shared experiences, you drew hearts closer to you and to one another. Continue to strengthen these young people with wisdom and joy as they live as witnesses of your love in the world around them.

## 30 Waikanae, Wellington, New Zealand

Gracious Lord, we thank you for the Gathering and for the meaningful time shared together. Thank you for the worship, fellowship, and practical spiritual growth experienced throughout the weekend as members reflected on what it means to live out your kingdom in everyday life. We are grateful for the reminders to join Jesus in his mission through our neighborhoods. Continue to shape us into people who live with intentional faith, joyful service, and hearts attentive to the opportunities you place before us each day.

## 31 Pasadena, California, US

Faithful Father, we praise and thank you for the meaningful and enriching time shared during this recent retreat. Thank you for the devotionals offered by each leader, for the time spent in prayer and Scripture, and for the thoughtful conversations about strengthening worship and deepening our connection with one another and the wider community. We are grateful for the fellowship shared around meals and for the encouragement that came through simply being together in your presence. Continue to guide and unite us as we grow in faith, serve one another with love, and participate in your mission together.

**Would your church like to be included in a future Prayer Guide?**

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