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PRAYER GUIDE

John 6:35-40

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day."

1 GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL

Let's lift up our churches who are considering relaunch. May the Spirit give them the wisdom courage and strength to identify and engage with their target communities.

2 GRACE COMMUNION USA

Crossing Borders is celebrating a successful 25th missions trip to Mexico. Recurring trips to the same location have created deep relationships with community members and opportunities for discipleship.

3 GRACE COMMUNION MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

Please pray for newly commissioned GCI pastor Rodolfo and his wife Xio. They have merged with another group of church planters and are engaging with their community. May their neighbors meet Jesus through their expression of church.

4 GRACE COMMUNION BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

This weekend leaders from around the area will be gathering for a conference. Please pray for their time together, for discernment and for their next steps in ministry and faith.

5 GCI CONGREGATIONS

Gracious God, we pray for a vibrant missional heartbeat to permeate GCI congregations. We are blessed---help us to be a blessing to the world.

6 MEDITATION MONDAY

Psalm 139:1-2
God's knowledge of who you are is more than informational – it is personal He delights in who he made you to be!
Take time today to wonder over the beauty of who God created you to be. Give thanks and praise to God for how he has made you and how he cares for you. Shine bright and share with the world who God created you to be.

7 GRACE COMMUNION ORLANDO, FL

We are launching a new community small group. Join us in asking God to empower the leaders, draw in new believers, and reveal himself in new ways to all who attend.



8 GRACE COMMUNION EAGLE ROCK, CA

We have witnessed God's faithfulness once again. We are celebrating a successful first VBS with the theme "Game On," children from the neighborhood learned how God wants every one of us to be part of His team. Families from the VBS joined with us in worship during our Sunday service.

9 GRACE COMMUNION SOUTH AFRICA

It was a joyous occasion to celebrate the baptism of Shanon Tabane. Father continue to encircle her with your love as she walks with you.



GRACE COMMUNION
EAGLE ROCK, CA

10 GRACE COMMUNION DERBY, KANSAS

As part of our relaunch we are continuing to engage with our target community. Please pray for the back to school block party that we are hosting today. May we build relationships and continue deepening these connections at the blessing of the children service we will hold on Sunday.

11 GRACE COMMUNION BATTEFORD, CANADA

Gracious God, in perfect assurance of Your presence among us we pray your blessings upon Kathleen Horwood, as we celebrate her ordination. May she honor you as she joyfully joins with you in the ministry you have prepared for her.

12 GRACE COMMUNION BICOL, PHILIPPINES

We are celebrating a successful conference that highlights mission initiatives in parts of Asia that restricts access for Christians. Please pray for us to discern next steps for our short term missions trips.

13 MEDITATION MONDAY

Like lost sheep defenseless and unable to care for themselves, we are in need of rescue. God pursues us personally – he goes after just one. He seeks us out and brings us into the safety and refuge of his loving arms. He loves us relentlessly. Even when we intentionally run away, he runs towards us with grace.

14 GRACE COMMUNION TRINIDAD

In June we lifted up the women's prison ministry in Trinidad. Words are inadequate to express our joy to the Lord for answered prayer and for all the intercessors who lifted this need before God's throne. The Holy Spirit moved the hearts of two women who love Jesus, and are fluent in Spanish to volunteer their ability and time each week to serve the Spanish-speaking women who are incarcerated.

15 GRACE COMMUNION NEW ZEALAND

Let us remember our co-laborers in New Zealand today, asking God to continue to transform their ministry. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts." - Zechariah 4:6

Take a moment today to be still. Ask God to open your eyes to see how he is loving you today.



GRACE COMMUNION
TRINIDAD

16 GRACE COMMUNION LOS ANGELES, CA

Father we thank you for Anthony Walton and his answering Your call to be a GCI pastor. We celebrate his ordination and pray that you give him wisdom, strength, and joy as he serves in his new role of Associate Pastor.

17 GRACE COMMUNION EASTERN, USA

Pastors from around the region are gathering this weekend for a retreat. Please pray for their time together. Lord, may Your favor rest upon our pastors and establish the work of their hands.

18 GRACE COMMUNION DALLAS, TEXAS

Holy Spirit, we pray that you infuse our time together. Reveal innovative ways for us to share your love with the teens of GCI congregations. May our time together inspire and encourage leaders to connect with youth in meaningful ways.

19 GRACE COMMUNION RUNDU, NAMIBIA

Please remember our newest church plant in Rundu. Pray for the leadership as they pursue the high calling of starting a new church.

20 MEDITATION MONDAY

We have a Savior who empathizes with our weaknesses, and has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet He did not sin – His life, death, and resurrection shines light into our darkest moments and shows us the way out.

Meditate on Hebrews 4:15-16 and receive the comfort, mercy, and grace Jesus has for you.



21 GRACE COMMUNION BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

Father, as a good Shepherd, go before Andres Felipe Barrero as he enters this new season as an ordained minister. Lead him in a plain path to do Your will and to do it courageously. Keep him on the path you have for him. Multiply his giftedness to extend and enrich the body of Christ.

22 GRACE COMMUNION DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA

The Durban church is starting a literacy outreach at a local underprivileged school in Kwa mashu township, teaching reading and phonics.



23 GRACE COMMUNION FRANCISCO VILLA, MX

We are thanking God for his provision. This church lost their building and land recently. A new piece of land was donated, and the congregation is beginning to rebuild. Please pray for the process as our GCI family in Franisco Villa rebuilds.

24 GRACE COMMUNION EASTERN, USA

Pastors from around the region are gathering this weekend for a retreat. May You, the God of peace, equip our pastors with everything good for doing Your will. May You work in them what is pleasing to You, through Jesus Christ.

25 GRACE COMMUNION SOUTH CENTRAL, USA

Pastors from around the region are gathering this weekend for a retreat. God of hope, may You fill our pastors with joy and peace as they trust in You, so that they may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

26 GRACE COMMUNION MINISTRY TEAMS

Gracious God it is a joy to join in your ministry. We thank you for all the volunteers who have answered your call to serve in GCI congregations. We ask that you sustain them. May they experience your love in meaningful ways.

27 MEDITATION MONDAY

Often we act as though we are the ones who need to go in search of God. When in reality we have a heavenly Father who pursues us and longs to be with us.

Rest in the knowledge that even when it feels like you are in the desert, God is with you every step of the way, working for your good. Throughout your day, make this a breath prayer. Breathe in: God you are present to me. Breathe out: Help me to be present to you.

28 GRACE COMMUNION HOUSTON

Praising God for his provision. We have found resources to cover the cost of all the food we provide to the children at the school we are missionally engaging with.

29 GRACE COMMUNION LAGUNA, PHILIPPINES

Christ the Rock Church celebrated their 13th anniversary in their new church building. The congregation praised God for his faithfulness. May the Spirit continue to bless their ministry in Laguna.

30 GRACE COMMUNION PERTH, AUSTRALIA

We are celebrating the ordination of Peter Edalere. We are delighted that Peter answered the Lord's call to serve. Lord, please bless his ministry and fill him with joy as he ministers in your name.

31 GRACE COMMUNION ROCHESTER, NY

We are starting new small groups to better connect with our target community. Please pray for the facilitators and the new believers who will be joining these groups. May they experience God's love in tangible ways.

