Daily Prayer Guide

— FEBRUARY 2024 —



There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

~ Ephesians 4:6 (ESV)



Thank you for praying!

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February 1 - 3

1 THURSDAY: MULTIPLY (BRUCE ENNS)

GLOBAL

"Rhythms of prayer encourage a culture of prayer. As we enter into 2024, I invite you to prioritize prayer in new ways, marking the first hour of every day, the first day of every week, the first weekend of every month and the first week of every year with abundant prayer. This is an invitational practice, not prescriptive. It is a discipline of prophetic invitation. It's about a heart shift, not about the quantity of prayer or the timing of it *per* se. We could all do this differently; putting prayer first is the important part, how we do that can, and should, vary."

I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ~ John 15:5

2 FRIDAY: VR UKRAINE

"My wife and I have just returned from serving for two months at a Latino church in Vienna, Austria, preaching and helping with home groups. We are now again in Ukraine, continuing with evangelism and humanitarian ministry. Please pray for many to find hope in Jesus, for safety from missiles and drone attacks, and for peace to come to this country."

Let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you. ~ Psalm 5:11

3 SATURDAY: EMERSON CARDOSO

BRA7IL

Pray for Emerson as he serves as Multiply's Regional Director for Central and South America, supporting and training church leaders and global workers. Pray for ongoing outreach among the indigenous people groups along the Amazon River in Brazil.

He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me. ~ Colossians 1:28, 29

February 4 - 10

4 SUNDAY: ISRAEL & SANDRA CHAVEZ-PLETT

MEXICO

"After several months visiting supporters in North America, we are excited to be back with our church plant, LifePoint (Punto Vida). Pray for breakthrough in outreach through our workshops, thrift store ministry and Sunday services. Praise God that Israel's health issues are being resolved. Pray also as we teach and train a new group of young disciples at the Matthew Training Center. God is continuing to raise up a generation of passionate young people who want to serve him, and it's a privilege to be a part of it!"

He commanded our ancestors to teach their children, so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children. ~ Psalm 78:5, 6

5 MONDAY: NASSER AL'QAHTANI

NORTH AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST

Pray for Nasser, serving as Multiply's Regional Team Leader for North Africa and the Middle East. Pray for ongoing evangelistic initiatives, discipleship of new believers, and developing of faith communities in a region which experiences serious persecution.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed. ~ 2 Corinthians 4:8, 9

6 TUESDAY: B & C

CENTRAL ASIA

"Praise God that our language learning goes very well, and we have been able to have good relationships with the community here. Also, after some weeks of illness, we are now all healthy again. Please pray for our application for residency to be approved. Pray also for those with whom we are building relationship, and those who are struggling with their faith."

As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ~ John 17:18

7 WEDNESDAY: STACY KUHNS

PERU

Pray for Stacy, equipping and developing leaders within Peru and other Latin American countries. Stacy serves as Multiply's Regional Coach for missionaries in Latin America, and with the international MB community (ICOMB) to support and equip new church planting ventures. Pray for Casa Caminata, a residential discipleship program in Piura, Peru, for young women that fosters strong

character and passionate love for God and others. Pray for these disciples to continue their walk with Jesus.

Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and oppressed. ~ Psalm 82:3

8 THURSDAY: ANDRÉ & OLGA PRITZKAU

GERMANY

"There is indeed a great need for the Gospel to enter the hearts of the people here in Potsdam. Historically, some of its citizens were victims and others were part of the East German socialist system that built the nearby Berlin wall. In place of this division and separation of people and relationships, we are praying for new communities of faith to be planted, with walls torn down and bridges of reconciliation built. Pray that we will be able to soon rent an apartment in this area. Your prayer is our victory."

And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. ~ 2 Corinthians 5:19b, 20a

9 FRIDAY: KAILEE THIESSEN

CANADA

"Please pray for our weekly Bible study with new immigrants here in Central Canada, that God would provide wisdom and understanding to new believers and seekers, and that their eyes and ears would be open to the Scripture and the voice of the Holy Spirit in their lives."

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ~ Philippians 2:9-11

10 SATURDAY: LIA CANADA

Pray for this worker as she cares for marginalized individuals and ministers to immigrants from an unreached Buddhist people group in Toronto. Pray for this group to encounter Jesus in ways that would birth a disciple-making movement within their own cultural context.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. ~ Psalm 34:8

February 11 - 17

11 SUNDAY: KYLE & DANAE SCHMIDT

UGANDA

"Our Uganda team has multiplied for a season with the addition of a TREK team, an intern and new missionaries, Sean and Amy Hildebrand. We praise God for each of these individuals God has brought to serve the church in Uganda. Pray for them on their discipleship and discernment journeys, that God would open their ears and soften their hearts to his direction and transformation. Pray for us as we guide, disciple and coach them, while also stewarding our local ministry and relationships."

Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. ~ 1 Corinthians 11:112

12 MONDAY: SEAN CANADA

"Can you imagine hearing 'There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus' for the first time? Or reflecting on the promise that nothing, including death, can separate us from his love? I'm helping check through a translation of Romans in one of the languages of East Asia, and have been meeting with the translators in Asia. Can you pray with me for the people who will be reading and studying Romans for the first time in their own language? Pray also for us as a team, as together we upgrade this translation, that we would be refreshed by the Holy Spirit and how we ourselves can apply these words and be inspired."

It is written: "Those who were not told about him will see, and those who have not heard will understand." ~ Romans 15:21

13 TUESDAY: WENDY EROS

JAPAN

"Please continue to pray for those affected by the January earthquake. As they rebuild their homes and lives, may they hear about the One who loves them above all else—Jesus! Pray that in their time of desperation they will cry out to the Lord. Pray for my younger son, Steve, who will be coming to visit me this month, that we would have a really good time of connection and sharing. Pray that he will be open to receiving the Lord. Pray for the English students as we celebrate Valentine's Day, that their hearts would be open to the love of Jesus."

One thing God has spoken, two things I have heard: Power belongs to you, God, and with you, Lord, is unfailing love. ~ Psalm 62:11, 12

Blue Stains and God's Grace

GERMANY | By Johanna Neudorf

"Johanna, Johanna, the paint has spilled!" The girl who met me on the basement stairs was distraught, and my heart sank.

It was Thursday afternoon and, after six weeks of summer vacation, we were meeting again for the first time at *PräsentKirche* for our weekly Kids Club in Dortmund. I had not been sure if anyone would show up, and had been pleasantly surprised to see five children waiting for me at the front door, with their friends.

The idea for the club had come to me when I noticed how many kids played in the park in front of the church after school, mostly without supervision. What if we could offer them a place where they could feel welcomed, play, eat, get help with homework, be loved and valued by people who know Jesus? And Kids' Club was born.

Caring for these kids is an immense blessing; it is also exhausting and unpredictable. Think about the blessing part, I told myself sternly, as I looked down now at the spreading blue stain. The children watched to see how I would react, and I stopped myself from scolding them; these kids needed mercy and grace. With paper towels and rags, I tried in vain to blot up the paint, going from frustration to guilt. Why had I let them paint in the first place, without

covering the carpet properly? What would my teammates say?

"Could be worse," said one of my helpers, shrugging. "At least it's not red." I laughed wryly, then sat back in defeat. That stain was not coming out. Sighing, I took a picture with my phone and sent it to our church planting team, bracing myself for a rebuke.

Two days later, a text arrived from Carla Suderman, one of the members of our team. She had gone to the church herself to work on the stain, and sent a photo showing the vivid blue was now a much paler color. "Don't worry," Carla texted. "It's almost gone!" Her grace and mercy caught me off guard.

Today, that blue stain is still visible but—would you believe me—somehow, I'm actually glad that it isn't completely gone! Now, every time I walk into the room and see that stain, I am reminded of God's mercy and grace towards me, and I am encouraged to be just as merciful with myself and others.

Hope in the Hidden Places

SOUTHEAST ASIA | From National Partner, Pastor Nathaniel

We were trying to be very careful not to make too much noise as we left Thailand. To be discovered crossing the river into the neighboring country, where civil war rages, could be deadly. It was a treacherous journey. Hours of boat travel on waterways swollen by the monsoon rains had left us exhausted, our wet clothes plastered against our flesh. Finally, we arrived at our destination.

Our contacts met us and escorted us into the refugee camps nearby. Everywhere we went, we were met with hunger and desperation. Our team quickly distributed some of the food we had transported, and later we shared the Gospel of Jesus Christ with them. That

night 120 people gave their lives to Jesus!

The next morning, we set out for a militia camp, home to about eighty soldiers. Gathered around the campfire in the dark, I told them, "You men know what it means to be on a mission, but tonight I challenge you to consider Christ's call to join in God's mission."

That second night, all eighty soldiers repented of their sins and received the free gift of eternal life. These new believers begged us to come back

soon, so that they could learn more about Jesus. "We must keep moving," I told them. "There are others who need to hear the Good News."

Our next destination was another militia camp, hidden in the jungle. Three hundred soldiers greeted us, men and women who were Buddhist and Animist. Two-thirds of them



responded to the love of Jesus. Taking our leave the next day, our hearts were full of joy and longing. "We will come back," I promised them, "as soon as we can. There is so much to tell you."

We are thankful for God's protection on this trip and for his power to save. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will open another opportunity for us to return to the camps soon and encourage the 480 new believers. Praise God for how he is bringing hope to the hidden places of this world!

Daily Prayer Guide

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				Multiply (Bruce Enns)	VR	Emerson Cardoso
				GLOBAL	UKRAINE	BRAZIL
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Israel & Sandra	Nasser al'Qahtani	B & C	Stacy Kuhns	André &	Kailee Thiessen	Lia
Chavez-Plett MEXICO	NORTH AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST	CENTRAL ASIA	PERU	Olga Pritzkau GERMANY	CANADA	CANADA
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Kyle & Danae Schmidt	Sean	Wendy Eros	Sandra Fender	Lavern Pratt	Robert & Marlene	George & Nicoleta
UGANDA	CANADA	JAPAN	THAILAND	PANAMA	Baerg MONGOLIA	LITHUANIA
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Paul & Sara Raugust	Juan & Maria	Rebecca Hiebert	Joanna & Jonathan	Johanna Neudorf	Doug Hiebert	Arun & Anjana
FRANCE	SOUTH ASIA	THAILAND	Gutierrez PORTUGAL	GERMANY	SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	CANADA
25	26	27	28	29		
Dave & Louise	Tomas & Melody	Cynthia Friesen	Cory & Masami Giesbrecht	Carmen Owen		
Sinclair-Peters THAILAND	Vidal MEXICO	THAILAND	JAPAN	THAILAND		





14 WEDNESDAY: SANDRA FENDER

THAILAND

Pray for Sandra, using her hospitality gifts in the northern city of Chiang Mai. She ministers to young women incarcerated at a Juvenile Detention Center, teaching English and life skills. In addition, she partners with a local couple who foster children and helps them with a weekly children's outreach in their community.

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ~ Romans 10:14

15 THURSDAY: LAVERN PRATT

PANAMA

"The unrest in Panama has calmed down and I returned to Panama in January. Praise God that my unanticipated trip back to Canada allowed me to spend Christmas with family, as well as access successful medical help for my leg. Pray for this month's annual gathering of the MB Conference of Churches in Panama. Pray for a mighty move of the Holy Spirit that will ignite renewal, rejuvenation and a passion to spread the Good News."

Praise the Lord; praise God our savior! For each day he carries us in his arms. ~ Psalm 68:19 (NLT)

16 FRIDAY: ROBERT & MARLENE BAERG

MONGOLIA

"There are so many broken families in Mongolia. Many children are either being raised by grandparents or are left at home to raise themselves. Pray for Christian families to step up and model a difference. Pray for Christian teachers and children's workers to have wisdom and insight as they work with these needy children. Pray most of all that the Spirit of God will move to turn the hearts of the parents to the children and the hearts of children to their parents."

His preaching will turn the hearts of fathers to their children, and the hearts of children to their fathers. ~ Malachi

17 SATURDAY: GEORGE & NICOLETA

LITHUANIA

"Please pray with us for Nicoleta's health and for recovery from her recent surgery, which postponed our relocation to Lithuania until now. Pray also for new vision, as we face the new challenges of teaching at the university level, coaching and instructing students to become church planters. Our vision is to continue to work with Central Asian students when they return to their countries of origin. Lithuania is geographically close to Ukraine; pray for boldness and love

as we minister to people affected by war and trauma."

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. ~ 1 Thessalonians 3:11

February 18 - 24

18 SUNDAY: PAUL & SARA RAUGUST

FRANCE

"Please pray that the seeds planted at Christmas would take root and grow in the lives of kids and families in our neighborhood. Pray for those coming to the *Al Massira* course, for depth of understanding and a desire to know Jesus. Pray for provision and a home for the Moulai family. Pray for unity and continued growth for our church family, as we seek God together. Pray for favor as we apply for residency and citizenship in France."

Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below – you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way. ~ 1 Kings 8:23

19 MONDAY: JUAN & MARIA (FORMERLY J & M)

SOUTH ASIA

Please pray for these Paraguayan Mennonite Brethren Conference workers in South Asia, where Juan is involved in discipleship and training for local believers, as well as ministering alongside national leaders among underprivileged Muslim communities. María's main focus is on creating a comprehensive teacher training center.

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us—so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations. ~ Psalm 67: 1-2

20 TUESDAY: REBECCA HIEBERT

THAILAND

"Praise God for twelve new believers in Prohng Agat, and for how God is providing for their needs. They had been meeting to worship and study the Bible in a field, but were looking for a place where they could meet regardless of the weather. Recently, as they were talking about this, one of them pointed out what seemed to be an empty storefront by the main road. Another new believer shared that she was the owner of that house, and offered it to be used for cell group each week!"

May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children. May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us — yes, establish the work of our hands. ~ Psalm 90:16, 17

21 WEDNESDAY: JOANNA & JONATHAN GUTIERREZ PORTUGAL

"Praise God, for he gives and takes away! Pray for the Church of Portugal to walk in humility, clinging onto what is from God and letting go of all that is not his will for us. May all those around us encounter the living God that is worthy of laying down our lives."

Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire. ~ Hebrews 12:28-29 (ESV)

22 THURSDAY: JOHANNA NEUDORF

GERMANY

"Praise God for his faithfulness to us and his church here in Dortmund. This is a year of growing deeper and establishing more structure in PräsentKirche—delegating some of the lead team responsibilities, inviting people to commit to membership, and building an invitational church culture. Pray for our evangelization workshops, and for more small group leaders to emerge. Pray for the fullness of the Holy Spirit as we teach neighborhood kids about Jesus."

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

~ Revelation 3:20

23 FRIDAY: DOUG HIEBERT

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

"Praise God for the recent gathering of the African national leaders that we work alongside. Fourteen leaders from seven different countries participated in a powerful time of encouragement, worship, prayer and rest. Praise God also for the missionary retreat in Uganda that I was able to be a part of, and for the opportunity to travel to war-torn regions of northern Ethiopia to speak to and encourage church leaders. Pray for a move of God in each of these places."

A man has joy by the answer of his mouth, and a word spoken in due season, how good it is! ~ Proverbs 15:323 (NKJV)

24 SATURDAY: ARUN & ANJANA

CANADA

This couple have been sent to Canada from their home church in South Asia, on mission to facilitate the development of a church-planting movement among the Punjabi diaspora in Canada. Pray for the multiplication of home fellowships that can provide a safe place for those who would not otherwise enter a Western church.

Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. ~ Colossians 4:5, 6

February 25 - 29

25 SUNDAY: DAVE & LOUISE SINCLAIR-PETERS

THAILAND

Louise serves on the Global Lead Team as Regional Leader for Myanmar and Central Thailand, and Dave serves as Church Planting Coach for global workers throughout Southeast Asia. Pray for them as they are mentoring and training Thai and Myanmar pastors and evangelists, planting churches, and resourcing churches in Thailand and neighboring countries to become self-sustaining through small Kingdom business initiatives.

Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

~ Psalm 103:1

26 MONDAY: TOMAS & MELODY VIDAL

MEXICO

"February is the first full month of our HADIME discipleship program. Please pray for the students in their relationship with the Lord and peers, their character development and conflict resolution skills. Pray they would set aside this time to seek the Lord, listen to him and grow in obedience and love for Jesus. Also, please pray for our visa renewal process that begins at the end of the month. Thank you!"

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. ~ Ephesians 4:15, 16

27 TUESDAY: CYNTHIA FRIESEN

THAILAND

"Praise God that the Rim Khan Fellowship continues to grow, the only church in this predominantly Buddhist community. There are now nine baptized members. Nui and Aire are faithfully leading, and learning to raise up other leaders. This beautiful group of believers are poor and very needy, and yet they are faithfully and joyfully tithing every week. Pray for them as they face daily challenges and temptations, even persecution from their families and neighbors who are not yet believers."

Blessed be the Lord, my rock, who trains my hands for war and my fingers for battle, my rock and my fortress, my stronghold and my deliverer, my shield, in whom I take refuge, who subdues the peoples under me. ~ Psalm 144:1-2

28 WEDNESDAY: CORY & MASAMI GIESBRECHT

JAPAN

"Pray for those still recovering from the January earthquake. Please continue to pray for the pastors' wives gatherings, that they would grow closer to each other as sisters in Christ. The leaders of the Samurai discipleship program gathered at the end of the year. Pray with us for 500 mentors to raise up a new generation of disciples in Japan! Pray for the prayer team coming from Saskatchewan at the end of March, that the Holy Spirit will lead and prepare the way. Pray for the men's discipleship movement, that the Lord would provide mentors and mentees."

Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. ~ 2 Corinthians 1:21, 22

29 THURSDAY: CARMEN OWEN

THAILAND

"February is an exciting month, as Naomi House will host the 4th annual Family Camp! This year the teaching focus is, 'Strategies for Evangelism.' Please pray especially for receptive hearts of those family members attending who are not yet followers of Jesus. Praise God for salvation fruit, and for increasingly open doors to the Gospel in the Luang Neua community, where 450 people heard powerful testimonies and teaching about our loving, transforming Creator God during our Christmas outreach. Continue to pray for Siriwan and Wichian as they lead the Naomi House ministries this year."

And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. ~ Romans 5:5

REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT:

Middle East & North Africa

Multiply's partnerships with national leaders in this region require us to have restricted communication. Although believers are sharing the Gospel, discipling new believers, and developing faith communities, their witness is often violently opposed, and following Jesus comes at great personal cost. Evangelism



Regional Team Leader
Nasser al'Qahtani

through social media reaches thousands, and a growing network of house churches helps connect seekers with believers who can build friendships, and introduce them to the Gospel. Our team disciples, resources, and equips new believers to be on mission in their own communities and become the next generation of national leaders in their country.

Pray

- > For new believers experiencing rejection and persecution in this region
- For River of Life ministries, a network of indigenously led ministries across the Middle East and North Africa that is shepherding local churches, equipping believers for evangelism and discipleship, and leveraging online social media platforms to bring the Gospel to their own people
- > For Regional Team Leader, Nasser al'Qahtani, training up Christians in North America and beyond in effective outreach to Muslims
- For more workers to be called into ministry in this challenging context

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