Daily Prayer Guide

- JULY 2025 -



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

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## July 1 - 5

#### **1 TUESDAY: JOHN & JENN JOHNSTONE**

#### CANADA

"The month of July is camp season. Please pray for life changing encounters, cultural experiences and memories to be built—not only for the kids who attend but for the leaders and leaders-in-training. We will be hosting two camps at our new house, bringing kids from the inner city to the countryside for restoration. Pray that it all goes smoothly, and for wisdom for us to know what to share and do to make their stay both fun and impactful."

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. ~ Colossians 4:6

#### 2 WEDNESDAY: CECIL & TRACY RAMOS

#### THAILAND

"In July, some of our churches will be hosting short-term summer mission teams around the country. Pray for peace and grace for hosts. Teams are a lot of fun and bring so much energy, but they can also be pretty exhausting! Our family will be traveling across the provinces during this time to encourage the church leaders and mission teams. Pray for our kids, who will be continuing with the youth group that they have launched in our town, that has youth attending from other provinces and several different MB churches."

Come, you who are blessed by my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me... ~ Matthew 25:34, 35

### 3 THURSDAY: PABLO & MARICELA CHAVEZ

PERU

"Please pray for our family, as we prepare to return to North America at the beginning of August for a time of visiting churches and family, and discerning next steps in our ministry. Pray for us to end our first term well, wrapping up our work with the churches and pastors. Pray for our boys as they say goodbye to the life they have learned to embrace here in Peru, and for their adjustment to life back in North America—especially Isaac, who will not be returning to Peru."

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." ~ Jeremiah 29:11

#### 4 FRIDAY: MAXYM & ANYA OLIFEROVSKI

#### UKRAINE

"New Hope Center is ministering to a new target group: teenagers. Without proper support during this war, teenagers feel emotionally exhausted, isolated, and lose hope. Please pray that we can help them to process their anxiety, build resilience and maintain emotional balance in these difficult conditions. May they come to know that they are important and needed, even in this season of chaos. We are thankful to you, our partners in prayer through Multiply, for enabling us to help teenagers and their families to receive hope and light in times of darkness."

We who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. ~ Hebrews 6:18b, 19

#### **5 SATURDAY: RICK & KAREN SAWATZKY**

#### LITHUANIA

"Our first term with Multiply ended some months ago, and we are back in Canada. Thank you for partnering with us in prayer to build God's kingdom in Lithuania. Please continue to pray for us to discern next steps."

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

~ Proverbs 3:5, 6

## July 6 - 12

#### <u>6 SUNDAY: JEN SCHMIDT</u>

MEXICO

"Today we begin our HADIME RAICES six-month discipleship and mission training program. We have eleven participants from four different countries, including a number of married couples with two children! Pray that this month of launch will be a significant time of community and transformation in the lives of the participants. The Matthew Training Center will also host a conference-wide youth retreat this month. It will be an intense month, and we would appreciate your prayers!"

And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. ~ 2 Corinthians 3:18

## 7 MONDAY: AURÉLIE HIRSCHLER

BURUNDI

"From July 7 to 15 we have Summer Camp! It is nothing like camp in North America, but it is such a beautiful time of friendship between students and teachers, learning outside of the classroom. I pray that this form of togetherness will break down the walls that people and culture build and will allow us to meet God as a united group! Summer time is also a time which leaves our students vulnerable to temptations they don't face when they're at school all day stealing, smoking, joining gangs, etc. Please pray for their safety and that they will be able to hear the voice of our Savior, even when they are alone." Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ~ Ephesians 6:10, 11

#### 8 TUESDAY: A & R

"Last month, the immigration office here denied A's application for his work visa. We were saddened and heartbroken, but not surprised. In praying and discerning what the Father might be calling us to, we felt led to relocate to an island in the Mediterranean just off the coast of our target country, where we will continue with our vision to disciple and raise up national leaders of the same people group. Please pray for us as we are pressing into what the Father has for us in this next season, including coming to Canada for part of the summer."

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. ~ Isaiah 43:19

#### 9 WEDNESDAY: FRANZ WOLF

BRAZIL

**CENTRAL ASIA** 

"Praise God for a national missionary conference in Costa Rica, launching the first young adult mission school run by nationals in this region. This is the fruit of two years of invested relationship and prayer! I personally am not participating in these events—but for a great reason! Please pray for Doris and I as we anticipate the birth of our first child. We also welcome prayer about the possibility of me beginning my MA in intercultural missional leadership in Pasadena in 2026. We are encouraged, and also challenged as we think about these new dynamics in life and daily rhythm!"

May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children. ~ Psalm 90:16

#### **10 THURSDAY: TRAVIS JOST**

#### BURUNDI

"Harvest Initiatives, the local organization we partner with, has always conducted their annual evangelism campaign for two weeks in August; this year it will be expanding to cover several months. During this time, I am travelling with a team to show the Jesus Film. We've heard some incredible testimonies in the past. Although counting the number of people who watch the film or the number of people who make a commitment to Jesus is not always an accurate indication of lasting fruit, these individual testimonies are what stick with us. Pray that lives are transformed in places that appear to have no hope. I'm excited for what God will do with our mustard seed-sized faith."

So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ. ~ Romans 10:17 (NLT)

#### 11 FRIDAY: LIAM & LINDSAY BULL

Liam and Lindsay Bull have been engaged with Myanmar national church leaders, exploring ways to reach communities within Bangkok, with Lindsay teaching at a local elementary school. They are now back in Canada, participating in the FOCUS Debrief. Please continue to pray for them in this discernment process as to where God is calling them next.

The Lord says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you." ~ Psalm 32:8 (NLT)

#### **12 SATURDAY: DENIS & ALBINA NIKITIN**

CANADA

"Please pray for Road 3:16, our multi-ethnic church plant of Slavic, Ukrainian and established Canadian families here in Winnipeg. We will have an evangelism picnic on July 13; pray that people will come and that we can get to know the children and their parents more. Pray also for those who have signed up to take baptism classes, and for our leadership team retreat at the beginning of August. May God bless us and help our team to unite and grow!"

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life. ~ Revelation 22:17

## July 13 - 19

#### 13 SUNDAY: SARAH REED

**AUSTRIA** 

"Please pray for the new ALPHA course! This is our church's third time running the course, and attendees include two students from the local university, a man from our church's social project and one new believer. Pray also for my potential new role in helping to bring together young people from the various churches here, and for open conversations to take place regarding some of the challenges and conflict that arose during a recent short-term mission. As issues are brought out into the light and dealt with, may there be renewed trust in God and in one another."

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ~ Ephesians 4:2-3

#### 14 MONDAY: GEDIMINAS & KRISTINA DAILYDE LITHUANIA

"We want to continue to be a community where we grow and give others the opportunity to grow in God. Please pray that we would be sensitive to God's Spirit and follow him, and that the ministry of prayer in the church would

# **Misha's Face**

LITHUANIA | By Nikki White

"I have always felt like I did not belong," Misha said. "Not here, not there. Not anywhere."

Misha's mother is Ukrainian, and he was born and raised in Nikolaev, Ukraine. His father, though, was from Eastern Mongolia, of Korean ancestry. With his blended background, Misha's unique appearance often caused confusion as to his ethnicity. Feelings of shame took hold of his heart at a very young age.

"My face was too different," he said. "I didn't fit."



Although Misha and his younger sister were raised in a nominally Christian environment, and attended church regularly, insecurity about his identity never completely went away. Misha felt like an outsider and, when the war began, he became one. With just two suitcases, he and his mother and sister joined thousands of other refugees on a perilous journey to Poland, eventually finding temporary shelter in Warsaw. There, although they received support from a local church, Misha's loneliness only worsened.

"I was so, so angry," he confessed. "I could not accept their love; my heart was cold. I thought about suicide almost every day."

Over time, Misha finished high school online, as many refugee children did. While searching for a university, he found LCC Christian International University in Klaipeda, Lithuania. "I dared to hope," he remembered. "Maybe I could fit in, among so many others from different countries."

As a freshman, however, he still struggled. When someone suggested the campus mentorship program, he was skeptical. "I knew only God could help me," Misha said, "but would he?" His mentor was Multiply's George Dumitrascu.

At first, Misha was silent and aloof. George slowly led Misha in a process of forgiveness for those who had caused him to feel rejected in the past. Something changed.

"I encountered Jesus in a new way," Misha marveled, "as if the night had broken."

With his newfound sense of family at LCC, Misha has been able to focus more on his studies. Looking forward, he feels called to ministry in Mongolia and Central Asia.

"They need to see Jesus," he said, "as I see him now. They need to know that they belong."

# The Wholeness of Naw

THAILAND | By Louise Sinclair-Peters

In Luke 10:5-6, Jesus instructs his disciples to seek out a "person of peace" when they enter a new town to share the Gospel. When we encounter a person like that, they help us build relationships in the community. However, we are sometimes taken by surprise at who the Lord chooses!

In our cultural context, Naw seemed an unlikely choice.

Our Myanmar interns first met Naw when they were entering a new village in Mae Sot. She was a young adult with an intellectual disability, as well as being mute and partially both deaf and blind. The sight of her father struggling to guide his blind daughter deeply saddened them; Naw was constantly in danger of hurting herself. Our team decided to go out and purchase a wheelchair to make their lives easier.

After that, our interns returned weekly to visit the family. As trust grew, the Buddhist father asked to learn more about Jesus. One year later our team was filled with joy to hear him say, "I'm ready to follow Jesus. Would you help me remove all the idols from my home?"

When Naw's father was ready to be baptized, his testimony stirred the hearts of two others in the village, who also desired to take this step of obedience. While they prepared, I gently asked if Naw would be baptized. The pastors looked surprised; in this cultural context, they would not consider Naw capable of making such a decision. "Naw may have intellectual disabilities," I said, "but her spirit is whole. She communes with Jesus, and he welcomes her!"

Naw's father was happy to hear that his daughter could be baptized. He only had one concern: "I think she might be too frightened," he said, "but if she is calm and willing, let's do it."

At the end of the service, the whole church waited in suspense when we invited Naw forward. Before the father had even finished interpreting our invitation into sign language, she ran and threw herself into the wading pool with a big squeal of laughter! There, she knelt down and immediately grasped her hands together in prayer. That Sunday, there wasn't a dry eye in the place.

Naw was definitely an unlikely "person of peace", yet through her the entire community has experienced the unconditional love of Christ, helping them see how everyone is welcome to come to the Father, just as they are.

# **Daily Prayer Guide**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		John & Jenn Johnstone CANADA	Cecil & Tracy Ramos THAILAND	Pablo & Maricela Chavez PERU	Maxym & Anya Oliferovski UKRAINE	Rick & Karen Sawatzky LITHUANIA
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Jen Schmidt	Aurélie Hirschler	A&R	Franz Wolf	Travis Jost	Liam & Lindsay Bull	Denis & Albina Nikitin
MEXICO	BURUNDI	CENTRAL ASIA	BRAZIL	BURUNDI	THAILAND	CANADA
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Sarah Reed AUSTRIA	Gediminas & Kristina Dailyde LITHUANIA	Jeremy & Adrienne Penner THAILAND	Einer & Girlesa Zuluaga PANAMA	Russ & Marjorie FRANCE	Alex & Carla Suderman GERMANY	Wanchai (Ozz) & Sara Fast Kumrod THAILAND
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Jan H	Sean & Amy	Nate & Kristin	Danny & Cynthia Asirit	Kyla Sinclair-Peters	David & Sarah	Johann Matthies
MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA	Hildebrand UGANDA	CANADA	THE PHILIPPINES	CANADA	SOUTH ASIA	EUROPE
27	28	29	30	31		
Marcela & David	Eleazar & Shaila Diaz- Ortiz	Heinrich Rempel	B & A	Walter & Ina Reimer		
FRANCE	MEXICO	GERMANY	GLOBAL	GERMANY		

together that the world may know Jesus



grow. Pray also that we may find new premises for the church community to gather, and that our family would draw near to God during our planned summer sabbatical. In our absence, may God lead the 180° Church in peace."

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. ~ Psalm 23:2

#### 15 TUESDAY: JEREMY & ADRIENNE PENNER THAILAND

"Rainy season Discipleship School begins at the end of June, and runs through to the end of September. Please pray as our leaders are connecting with potential attendees. So many of our leaders and church planting interns began their journey by attending this three-month program! Pray that people would be brave and step out in faith to attend, and that all the details would fall into place."

Who is like you, Lord God Almighty? You, Lord, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you. ~ Psalm 89:8

#### 16 WEDNESDAY: EINER & GIRLESA ZULUAGA

PANAMA

"We are starting this year's Discipleship School program today, June 16. Pray with us for one particular Wounaan community, for their understanding of the Gospel as they struggle with animism, especially the elders of their community. Pray also for our team of facilitators, led by Dalecio Osorio and Overlin Mepaquito, to have wisdom to share the Word in ways that the indigenous people will understand. Pray also for our physical, emotional and spiritual strength."

But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere. ~ 2 Corinthians 2:14

#### 17 THURSDAY: RUSS & MARJORIE

"A few months ago, we asked you to pray for our church to find a new meeting place, as our landlord was planning to sell. Recently, the owner decided to take the building off the market, saying that he didn't want us to lose our meeting place! This news has lifted a huge weight off our hearts! Staying in this location keeps us right where we feel God has called us."

But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere. ~ 2 Corinthians 2:14

#### 18 FRIDAY: ALEX & CARLA SUDERMAN

"This summer we will be in Canada for a time of connecting with friends and supporting churches. Please pray for strengthened connections with our partners. Pray also for our new church-planting team, as we are developing vision and making connections in an area of need in Dortmund. Pray for open doors to share the Gospel and to invite people into a faith community!"

He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me. ~ Matthew 10:40

#### <u>19 SATURDAY: WANCHAI (OZZ) & SARA FAST KUMROD</u> THAILAND

"We thank God for our first ever furlough in North America, visiting friends and supporting churches in June and July. We have officially served with Multiply more than three years now! We praise God for each church, family, and individual who prays and partners with us and God's work in Thailand. In July, we will be visiting Hillsboro MB and Corn MB and plan to attend the Southern District Conference in Edmond, Oklahoma. Please pray for mutual encouragement as we share, and for safety and strength as we return to Thailand on July 27."

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. ~ 2 Thessalonians 2:16, 17

## July 20 - 26

#### 20 SUNDAY: JAN H

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

"Thank you for your prayers over our recent trip to this region. I'm so encouraged and inspired by the indigenous ministry leaders there, and so blessed by their friendship. I was also very grateful to have a couple of days to connect with friends. The time with one of them in particular felt very significant and timely; we were able to come alongside her in the midst of a very challenging moment in her life, and talk with her about some big spiritual questions she was asking. Please keep her in your prayers."

God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ~ Acts 17:27

#### 21 MONDAY: SEAN & AMY HILDEBRAND

UGANDA

"There is a marriage conference at Life House Community church at the end of this month that we are inviting a connection of ours (Dr. Dave Currie) to facilitate. Please pray that God will give him the words to effectively relay God's

#### FRANCE

truth and grace into the marriages and families of those who attend. Please pray also for our ongoing Luganda language studies."

...the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ~ 1 Peter 5:10b

#### 22 TUESDAY: NATE & KRISTIN

CANADA

"We would appreciate prayer as we continue to live and serve on Manitoulin Island. As a popular tourist destination in Northern Ontario, the summer is full of energy and excitement. But also presents a greater volume of those dealing with trauma and addictions. This is where we often find both purpose and heartbreak, working in these areas. Most recently, we have been journeying with a new believer who is struggling in these areas. Pray for our local church, where more and more we have been blessed to connect and serve. Pray also for us as a family as we anticipate the birth of our third child."

Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus. ~ Acts 4:30

#### 23 WEDNESDAY: DANNY & CYNTHIA ASIRIT

THE PHILIPPINES

"Please pray for God to grant us wisdom to understand the best ways to engage with the community and to share our God-given ministry effectively. Pray for us to trust God to provide all the necessary resources, support and prayer partners to help us launch and sustain this ministry. We ask for strength in every aspect: physical, emotional, and spiritual. Please pray that we stay bold, resilient, and deeply rooted in our faith in God."

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. ~ Philippians 4:19

#### 24 THURSDAY: KYLA SINCLAIR-PETERS

<u>CANADA</u>

"We are one month into our soccer league, where kids are hearing a Bible story each week. Pray for good connections with kids and parents, and for people of peace who are searching for Jesus. I would also love prayer as we prepare for our summer camp that happens mid-August. We expect around forty youth from unreached backgrounds. Pray for good weather, safety, strong relationships, spiritual hunger, and a desire to follow Jesus no matter the cost."

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ~ Luke 18:16

#### 25 FRIDAY: DAVID & SARAH

Pray for David, Multiply's Regional Team Leader for South Asia, as he resources global MB conferences and emerging church networks through the Missional Leadership Training resource. Pray for Sarah, supporting a mission initiative in Canada among immigrants from a South Asian people group.

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ~ Galatians 6:9

#### 26 SATURDAY: JOHANN MATTHIES

EUROPE

Pray for Johann in his role as Multiply's Regional Team Leader for Europe and Central Asia. Pray for his partnership with ICOMB (International Community of Mennonite Brethren), mobilizing European partners, churches, and schools for world mission, and resourcing Multiply workers and projects within this combined region.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. ~ Psalm 100:5

## July 27 - 31

#### 27 SUNDAY: MARCELA & DAVID

FRANCE

"These last two months have been busy and tiring for our family! Please pray that August will be a quieter month, and that we will have more time to dedicate to God and to organize for all the activities that begin in September. We also ask you to pray for the sale of our apartment near Paris. Between buyers who got cold feet at the last minute, time-consuming paperwork and a water infiltration problem, we have not sold it yet. This has really worn us down."

I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord. ~ Psalm 27:13-14

#### 28 MONDAY: ELEAZAR & SHAILA DIAZ-ORTIZ

MEXICO

"After a season marked by discouragement, praise God that these past few months have been filled with renewed life. God is moving! Our church is growing, and ministries are flourishing. At the same time, we are walking through some internal challenges. Please pray with us for healing and wisdom, and that we would come out of this stronger and even more united and focused on God's mission. Thank you for standing with us in prayer and encouragement! Thank you also for your prayers for our daughter Elena. The surgery to remove her tonsils and adenoids went really well, and we pray it will bring the healing we have been asking for."

Therefore, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, established in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. ~ Colossians 2:6, 7

#### 29 TUESDAY: HEINRICH REMPEL

#### GERMANY

Pray for Heinrich in his role as the Director of Operations in the European office, and his ongoing work in project development, administration and assistance in the areas of training and mobilizing local churches for world mission.

But as for me, I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God." My times are in your hands. ~ Psalm 31:14, 15 (NKJV)

#### 30 WEDNESDAY: B & A

#### GLOBAL

"Praise God for a recent gathering of MB churches in Ontario, and the plans for the WithYou app to become an integral part of ongoing discipleship for those who attended the conference. I am beginning to follow up with participants, and the app is allowing us to create tailored pathways to share in the group chats we are forming, bridging the gap between those living in urban and rural settings. Pray for a number of the young adults who are heading into a season of camp life and ministry and are wanting to use the app to mentor and disciple groups of campers in their care."

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. ~ Matthew 28:19, 20

#### 31 THURSDAY: WALTER & INA REIMER

#### GERMANY

Pray for this couple, leading a church-planting team in Dortmund, with a focus on community outreach among new immigrants. Pray for their community outreach and ongoing work with refugees in their region.

He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing. And you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt. ~ Deuteronomy 10:18, 19

## **REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT:**

## Europe

Europe has had a longer, more sustained exposure to Christianity than any other continent, yet an increasingly secular worldview perceives the Gospel as outdated and irrelevant. Despite this, global workers in Austria, Germany, France, Portugal, Lithuania, Ukraine and other Eastern European countries are encountering many young people with a deep, spiritual hunger for a personal faith experience. Although a growing population of North African immigrants has led to many societies becoming increasingly polarized



Johann Matthies Regional Team Leader for Europe & Central Asia

between secularism and Islam, this has also opened the door for the Church to reach this Diaspora with a holistic presentation of the Gospel.

Pray

- For an end to the war in Ukraine and for those who are displaced and suffering
- > For wisdom for political leaders addressing potential military threats
- > For churches to be welcoming and equipped to care for refugees
- For Regional Team Leader Johann Matthies, overseeing European church planting, short-term mission, and resourcing churches to respond to the many social and humanitarian crises facing this region

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