

Pray Every Day for EVERYDAY

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Sun. 1 *“Remember the former things of old, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, saying, ‘My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure’;”* Isaiah 46:9b,10 NKJV. Praise our wonderful Lord today that **He** knows the end from the beginning! Pray that we may be sensitive to His leading “in every least thing” for His glory and for the prospering of the work entrusted to us.

Mon. 2 Praise the Lord that Mark, Gail, Thirza, and Caleb Beach were able to move into their new home in Port Colborne on January 24th (PED (*Pray Every Day*) Jan. 3)! Pray that they may develop good relationships with their new neighbors and for open doors and hearts as they seek to witness to them.

Tues. 3 The question has been raised: Now that the D.R. Congo and Angola container projects are completed, does the Lord have any new “special projects” for us? Pray for His clear leading in this regard.

Wed. 4 Pray for Marjorie Beckwith as she organizes the distribution of the 92,000+ Portuguese books and test booklets sent to Angola via container in October (PED Jan. 10). At time of writing, the container was in port, but had not yet been released. Pray as led.

Thurs. 5 Praise the Lord that the container of books for D.R. Congo left EPI on January 5th (PED Jan. 25, 26)! Pray that it may arrive safely in D.R. Congo as scheduled in late March and that there would be no delay due to shipping difficulties or Customs clearance.

Fri. 6 There has been no recent word on the status of Gertrud Harlow’s application for residency in the U.S. (PED Nov. 3). Please continue to commit this situation to the Lord.

Sat. 7 Praise the Lord for His provision by means of a bequest for the replacement of our aging, cranky saddle stitcher (PED Feb. 5)! Harold and Mark were in “active search” mode as we went to press. Pray for clear direction (if the decision remains to be made) and that what is obtained may quickly be up and running.

Sun. 8 From Spencer and Phyllis Dibble (Nigeria): *“Our folk love to do the [test booklets] and it tells us how much they are understanding. Recently we have been surprised and happy to note that they are now telling which authors they want. They must be learning something.”*

Mon. 9 Praise the Lord for the Dibles’ recent order for 2,367 English books (104 titles) plus test booklets to go with the titles that have a test booklet. Pray that many may be strengthened in faith and many may turn to the Lord for salvation as a result of reading one (or more!) of these books.

Tues. 10 From Gertrud Harlow: *“Thousands of Bible study books were recently shipped by container to D.R. Congo, but basic to their benefit for the readers are the Scriptures themselves.”* Praise the Lord for His provision for printing the revised, reformatted Congo Swahili Bible (PED Jan. 7)! Pray that it may soon be in print and on its way to D.R. Congo.

Wed. 11 Thank the Lord that Noel Bondt has enjoyed relatively good health this winter (PED Jan. 5). Pray that there may be good results from a special cancer review he was to have in Hamilton on February 25th.

Thurs. 12 Pray that the Lord may prosper Harold MacDougall, Grace Spence, and our faithful corps of volunteers as they work diligently to print, bind, trim, and pack the books which will be going to Zambia via ACCTS container in April.

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Fri. 13 As we start each new day we can say, “It’s another day” – yes, but it is *“the day which the Lord has made,”* Ps. 118:24 NKJV. Pray that we may indeed rejoice and be glad in it, facing its challenges in His strength and for His glory.

Sat. 14 Thank the Lord for the opportunity to have a book table at the Scottlea Gospel Chapel Ladies’ Seminar today in St. Catharines, ON. Pray that many may find helpful books and booklets both for personal and for ministry use.

Sun. 15 Praise the Lord for 79,040 EPI books and booklets distributed in the first quarter of our fiscal year. This does not include test booklets! About 90% of these books went to Angola with the other 10% scattered far and wide. Pray as led.

Mon. 16 Pray that Sara Townsend may make good progress this month in preparing Spanish and Portuguese translations for printing as well as with other projects needing her attention.

Tues. 17 Praise the Lord that Doris Pitman’s unexpected cancer surgery in January was successful and further treatment is not envisioned! Pray for continued strength for her as she continues the proofreading of the Chokwe Bible, and also for Gertrud, who is reformatting it (PED Jan. 17).

Wed. 18 Pray for the Lord’s rich blessing for the MacDougall family this month in their work, studies, and involvement in the assembly.

Thurs. 19 Join Alma Turnbull in thanking the Lord for good progress in reformatting the lengthy *12 Prophets*, having completed work on Hosea, Joel, and Amos in February (PED Feb. 19). Pray for His blessing and help in continuing work on this lengthy title.

Fri. 20 Praise the Lord for 3,789 books sent “no charge” to assembly-commended missionaries working in Honduras, Cuba, Zambia, Brazil, Colombia, Peru, Spain, and Nigeria in December and January — in addition to the 95,881 books dispatched to D.R. Congo!

Sat. 21 From Noel: *“Praise the Lord for looking after us all this winter (warm homes and office, food). The Lord always provides.”* Pray that we may ever be mindful of and thankful for the day to day blessings we enjoy which sometimes we might take for granted.

Sun. 22 Praise the Lord for 415 Spanish books (27 titles) plus 325 test booklets recently sent to the Canary Islands (belonging to Spain and located off the northwest coast of Africa), the first order of any size sent there to our knowledge. Pray for much fruit.

Mon. 23 As the D.R. Congo container nears its destination, D.V., pray that it might have “smooth sailing” as well as safe and unproblematic transport overland to Bunia.

Tues. 24 Join us today in giving heartfelt thanks for all who take the work and workers of EPI upon their heart and pray regularly for His blessing and direction for us in this ministry.

Wed. 25 Pray that the Lord may lead in identifying and implementing new ways to make our books known. Pray for fresh contacts with those with a vision for widespread distribution of sound, Bible-based literature.

Thurs. 26 Join us in praising the Lord for His faithfulness in provision. Pray that we may also be faithful, making wise use of all that He has entrusted to our care.

Fri. 27 Thank the Lord for the commodious office and warehouse He has provided for our use. Pray that He may continue to protect our premises, equipment, and stock of books and supplies from harm.

Sat. 28 Praise the Lord for the 5,525 EPI books and booklets, 1,200 test booklets, and 7,774 “other items” printed in December and January. Thank the Lord that the digital printers continue to work well!

Sun. 29 From a missionary in Brazil: “[I] have been in south Brazil for 7 years, commended from...N. Ireland. I was given your catalogue recently and wanted to order some Portuguese books as I am responsible for book sales at our conferences.” Pray for much blessing from the 45 books (9 titles) that he ordered.

Mon. 30 Thank the Lord for Gail Beach’s diligence in her bookkeeping responsibilities at EPI. Pray for wisdom in dealing with the occasional problem and for His continued blessing and help with “month end”.

Tues. 31 Thank the Lord for the many prisoners in various parts of the world whose day is brightened by the study of the Word with the help of an EPI book and test booklet. Pray that many may be strengthened in faith and witness as a result of their studies.

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Wed. 1 “Do you understand what you are reading?...How can I, unless someone guides me?” Acts 8:30b,31a NKJV. Join us in giving heartfelt thanks to the Lord today for the privilege that is ours in making available easy-to-understand Bible study materials to many who would have difficulty understanding “standard language” books.

Thurs. 2 Pray for Gertrud in ongoing work translating William MacDonald’s *Believer’s Bible Commentary - N.T.* into Congo Swahili (PED Feb. 3). Ask the Lord to give her just the right thoughts and phrases to make difficult concepts clear to the reader.

Fri. 3 Praise the Lord that Barbara MacDougall got a good report from the eye doctor in January and does not need to return for 6 months (PED Dec. 19)! Pray that her eye condition might remain stable — or even improve.

Sat. 4 Thank the Lord for Andrew Rennie’s part in our Spanish program over the course of more than 20 years. Pray for the Lord’s blessing and help as he now translates *Two Letters from Peter*.

Sun. 5 Praise the Lord for a good response to our newest English title, *Look Straight Ahead: A Call to Men for Moral Purity* by Sam Thorpe, Jr. (PED Sept. 27). Pray for much blessing from the 461 copies distributed in the first quarter of this fiscal year.

Mon. 6 Pray for wisdom and enabling from the Lord for Executive Director Mark Beach in fulfillment of his responsibilities, which this month include preparation of a Quarterly Report and a new issue of *Impressions*.

Tues. 7 Thank the Lord today for Noel and Dwana’s service for the Lord at EPI. Noel requests prayer for their desire to continue to draw closer to the Lord each and every day.

Wed. 8 Praise God for our faithful volunteers: Arthur Robinson, John Storm, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, Jimmy Rollo, Don DeBaeremaeker, and Tom and Hilda Parkinson. Pray for His rich blessing for each one as they play their significant part in making sound, Bible-based literature available in many distant places.

Thurs. 9 Pray for journeying mercies for Thirza Beach as she travels to Colorado Springs around now to be in a friend’s wedding and spend time with family, planning to return to Port Colborne in July to help at one or two area camps during the summer.

Fri. 10 Thank the Lord for the opportunity to have a book table at the Toronto Easter Conference today and tomorrow. Pray that many may find “just the right book” to suit a personal or ministry need.

Sat. 11 Pray for much blessing for those who have book tables presenting EPI books at other Easter conferences around the world today.

Sun. 12 Praise the Lord this Easter day that we serve a *RISEN* Savior! Pray that many may “have ears to hear” the gospel message this day and may enter into Life.

Mon. 13 Pray for continued open doors to have book tables at other assembly conferences or events. Contact the office, if interested.

Tues. 14 Thank the Lord today for Grace Spence and for the vital part she plays in our overall ministry: cheerfully packing the many orders (some small, some HUGE) as well as preparing newly printed books and test booklets for tidy storage in the warehouse.

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Wed. 15 Continue to pray for much wisdom for those charged with the responsibility of seeing that the multitude of Swahili and French books in the container are distributed wisely and fairly (PED June 16).

Thurs. 16 Thank the Lord for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hannel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, Bill Letkeman, and Don MacMullen. Pray for them as they think, review materials, and pray in preparation for the upcoming Semi-annual Meeting May 14th.

Fri. 17 Pray that Sara may have a sense of the Lord's priorities for her each day and may enjoy His enabling and blessing according to need.

Sat. 18 The Editorial Committee will be meeting prior to the Semi-annual Meeting May 14th. Pray that items needing the committee's attention may be sent to Della Letkeman in good time for her to organize the agenda.

Sun. 19 From Ian and Marilyn Campbell (Zambia - U.K.): *"We do appreciate the work you do in providing us with these books, especially those used in our Emmaus work. The work is going well, and lives are being changed by the study of God's Word."*

Mon. 20 Praise the Lord for the Campbells' order for 1,796 English books (53 titles) and 1,220 test booklets to be sent via ACCTS container this month. Pray that many further lives may be changed by the reading of these books!

Tues. 21 Pray for the Lord's enablement and blessing for Alma as she continues reformatting our Everyday English Bible study books so that higher quality reprints can be done using our digital printers.

Wed. 22 Pray for wisdom for Alma, Gertrud, and Sara in pacing themselves in the intensive computer work required in reformatting, which is hard on the eyes, hands, wrists, and back.

Thurs. 23 Thank the Lord that multiple orders for English and Portuguese books to be sent via ACCTS container to Zambia this month had been received by early February (PED Jan. 2, 14). Pray for quick and safe transit both to Zambia and then to the various missionaries scattered throughout the country.

Fri. 24 Pray for health, strength, and wisdom for Production Manager Harold MacDougall in the busyness of his days overseeing the work of our print shop which includes coordinating the work of the volunteers.

Sat. 25 Pray for encouragement for Della Letkeman as she nears the end of her work on her biography of the Apostle Paul (PED Jan. 9).

Sun. 26 From a brother in Europe: *"We got some Spanish copies of 'The Church of the Book' which our friends want to use in [a closed country] and Honduras. We are very glad that [EPI] reprinted the Spanish edition. It is very helpful"* (PED Oct. 29).

Mon. 27 Pray that those making preparation for a book table at the Ontario Workers' and Elders' Conference next month may be led of the Lord in both the titles and the quantities selected for presentation.

Tues. 28 Praise the Lord for various small orders that are coming to us via the web site. Noel reports that in the month of January *"we almost had one a day"* (PED Feb. 23)!

Wed. 29 From Harold: *"The printers are approaching their 'final year'. Pray for wisdom and guidance as we look for replacements"* (PED Feb. 5).

Thurs. 30 Pray for the teenage and "20-something" children and grandchildren of EPI staff and Directors as they make critical decisions that will shape the course of their future. Pray that each may earnestly seek the Lord's mind and will follow His direction.