

Pray Every Day for EVERYDAY

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Sat. 1 “Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to Your name give glory, because of Your mercy, because of Your truth...You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield. The Lord has been mindful of us...” Ps. 115:1,11,12a NKJV.

Sun. 2 From time to time we are made aware that some of our books are destined for a closed country, e.g., books destined to be hand carried to a Korean believer living in China. Pray for safety for both couriers and recipients and for much blessing to result.

Mon. 3 From Gertrud Harlow: “With respect to the [extension of the temporary] visa, all papers etc. are with the lawyer with a special request for a letter certifying that the application has been submitted to the Authorities. Pray that this will be granted before my driver’s license expires in March. After that another application for [permanent residence status] will be made” (PED (*Pray Every Day*) Jan. 7).

Tues. 4 Pray that the Lord may bless Noel Bondt as he begins the work necessary to set up a small office server acquired in February (PED Feb. 4). This is intended to increase the efficiency of our operations in due course.

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Wed. 5 From Bill Letkeman: “I have felt for some time that I needed a change...We prayed about enlarging our borders and got in touch with Gerrit and Susan Blok with New Life Prison Ministry and they have invited us...to come work with them as commended workers ...As it stands now, I plan to help out at EPI to make the transition as smooth as possible until the end of June...We would appreciate prayer to help sell our house...as well as for all the work involved with a major move” (PED Jan. 3).

Thurs. 6 Commit Executive Director Mark Beach to the Lord’s care, asking that he might be given the wisdom he needs day by day in overseeing the work of EPI.

Fri. 7 We should have said “Praise the Lord for the safe arrival of part of an overdue shipment of books sent to...Zimbabwe...” (PED Jan. 23). Please pray that the remainder of that shipment may soon be delivered in good condition.

Sat. 8 From Harold MacDougall: “Pray for the situation (political unrest) in Kenya that could affect the transportation of the container to Uganda and then on to Congo.” Pray, too, for Harold’s father, Bud, who left for a 6-week ministry trip to Kenya on Feb. 16th.

Sun. 9 It is our privilege to publish a number of titles written by our esteemed brother William MacDonald who was called Home to be with the Lord Dec. 25th. Pray that his books, published by EPI and others, may continue to be a great blessing as a new generation of readers begins to use them.

Mon. 10 Pray that Sara Townsend may make good progress typesetting the Portuguese translation of *Start of the Race: Studies in Genesis*.

Tues. 11 Although there was again “leakage” in Barbara MacDougall’s eye when she saw the doctor in December, preliminary indication in mid-February (to be confirmed by a scan in late February) was that it was dry again (PED Jan. 16). Please continue to pray.

Wed. 12 Join Gertrud in thanking the Lord for His help in translating *Know the Book* by

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E.A. Johnston into Swahili (PED Jan. 22). The last corrections have been received from Dena Speering, and after Gertrud read the book one more time, it was to be ready for printing.

Thurs. 13 Pray that the Swahili translation of *Know the Book* may be printed in time to include in the planned container to D.R. Congo.

Fri. 14 From Mary Ann Bell (Life’s Key): “Thanks for all of your prayers for John. We just got word that his new bone marrow is 100% grafted in. We serve an AWESOME GOD!!” (PED Jan. 8). Continue to pray for both John and Mary Ann.

Sat. 15 Pray for much blessing from 8 boxes of *Food for New Believers* plus 50 - 100 copies each of 9 other EPI courses ordered by Life’s Key at the end of December. Pray that many prisoners may be drawn to the Savior or strengthened in their faith as they study these courses.

Sun. 16 From Marjorie Beckwith (Angola): “We are grateful for the good supply of books we get from EPI. Yesterday a sister came by for a copy of *Eternal Security*, for help in the study she will give next week. The ladies’ study days are always days when we sell lots of these books.” Pray as led.

Mon. 17 Pray that all that remains to be done before the container to D.R. Congo can be sent may be completed before the inspection certificate expires at the end of April (PED Feb. 11).

Tues. 18 Thank the Lord that Della Letkeman has completed work on the second draft of her biography of the Apostle Paul (PED Jan. 12). Pray that she may make good progress as she works on the final draft and settles on a title for the book.

Wed. 19 Pray for Alma Turnbull in the demanding work of re-formatting some of our longer Everyday English titles. At time of writing she had resumed work on the commentary on Ezekiel, having been sidetracked by the need to essentially re-do the commentary on Isaiah, putting it into two volumes.

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Thurs. 20 Commit our building, equipment, and stock of books and supplies to the Lord’s watchful care, thanking Him for past mercies.

Fri. 21 Thank the Lord for the opportunity to have a book table at the Toronto Easter Conference today and tomorrow. Pray that many will obtain books that will be helpful to them in their personal walk with the Lord or in their ministry to others.

Sat. 22 We are now able to send the PED via e-mail. Please notify the office at the e-mail address at the head of this PED if you would like to receive the PED in that way. Pray for a smooth transition as the two separate mailing lists (snail mail and e-mail) are organized.

Sun. 23 “He is not here; for He is risen, as He said...Go quickly and tell...that He is risen from the dead,” Matthew 28:6a,7a NKJV.

Mon. 24 Thank the Lord that Noel’s appointment with his heart doctor went well in January (PED Jan. 10). Noel would appreciate continued prayer for health and daily strength.

Tues. 25 Pray that our well used digital printers may hold up to the strain of the high output that is being demanded of them without major breakdown and without much time lost due to routine maintenance.

Wed. 26 Thank the Lord for Production Manager Harold MacDougall. Pray that the Lord may lead as he juggles the demands of his work: scheduling print jobs, ordering supplies, and coordinating the work of our volunteers.

Thurs. 27 The print shop was a very busy place in December and January, printing 1,750 test booklets, 22,724 EPI books, and 8,148 “other” items. Praise the Lord for this high output and pray that the high quantity may be translated into a very high degree of blessing to the eventual recipients of the items printed.

Fri. 28 Join Gail Beach in thanking the Lord for increasing familiarity and ease with EPI’s bookkeeping and record keeping routines. Pray for His blessing and help in the demanding work of “month end” as it rolls around each month.

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Sat. 29 Continue to pray for Noel and Dwana Bondt as they look for more suitable accommodation and as they give prayerful consideration to buying a home (PED Jan. 10).

Sun. 30 How much difference does prayer make? We probably won't know the full answer to that this side of heaven, but we give heartfelt thanks for all who present the work and workers of EPI before the throne of grace *"that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need,"* Hebrews 4:16 NKJV.

Mon. 31 *"This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope. Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness,"* Lamentations 3:21-23 NKJV. As we review the Lord's goodness to us in provision, we can add a hearty "amen" to the above. Join us in giving thanks.

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Tues. 1 *"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose."* Thank the Lord today for the many believers involved in the work of EPI in some way, "giving what they cannot keep" (whether time, abilities, or finances) to gain what they cannot lose. Pray that our Lord may be pleased to continue to use this ministry to His glory and the blessing of many until He come.

Wed. 2 From Gertrud: *"Pray for me as I continue with the mammoth undertaking [begun in February] of reformatting the Swahili Scofield Bible as a less expensive text/references only Bible. This edition is urgently needed to relieve the dearth of Bibles in currently-used Congo Swahili. It will require a lot of detailed work...Pray!"*

Thurs. 3 There had not yet been any good leads to a replacement saddle stitcher at time of writing (PED Feb. 9). Please pray that in His time we may "connect" with a suitable replacement.

Fri. 4 Thank the Lord for Margarida Cerqueira's translation of our books into Portuguese. Pray for her as she now translates

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Desert Journey: Studies in Numbers and Deuteronomy (PED Feb. 27).

Sat. 5 Continue to uphold Peter Kerr as he writes a new book in standard English on preparing for leadership (PED Feb. 5).

Sun. 6 Praise the Lord for 12,248 books distributed in the first four months of this fiscal year, of which roughly 10% were *Food for New Believers*.

Mon. 7 Robert MacDougall and Thirza Beach will be graduating from high school in June. Pray that the Lord may clearly guide as they each consider what He would have them do with their lives.

Tues. 8 Continue to thank the Lord for the ISAL (International Surface Air Lift) Service which is getting our books to their destinations *much* faster than previously (PED Sept. 9, 11).

Wed. 9 Ask the Lord to bless and encourage Grace Spence in her work as EPI shipper and in preparing newly printed books for tidy storage in the warehouse.

Thurs. 10 "Many hands make light work." Nowhere is that so true as in the finishing of the multiplied books and booklets printed at EPI. Join us in giving fervent thanks for the helping hands of volunteers Arthur Robinson, John Storm, Jimmy Rollo, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, Tom and Hilda Parkinson, and Don DeBaeremaeker.

Fri. 11 Pray for patience and grace for Barbara MacDougall as the problem with her eye makes her work at the office extra fatiguing. Join her in thanking the Lord that Gail Beach now comes in alternate days to help cover the needs of the office (PED Feb. 8).

Sat. 12 Pray that the Lord may prosper Andrew Rennie in ongoing work translating Dr. Harlow's commentary on 2 Corinthians into Spanish (PED Jan. 17).

Sun. 13 From Samuel Ussher (U.K. – Venezuela): *"I have submitted an order for Spanish books through your online order form... Your books have been a tremendous*

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help to the believers here in the past and we desire to make them available to others again." Praise God and pray for much blessing from the 1,590 books ordered!

Mon. 14 Pray for the Lord's blessing for Noel in his ongoing work in developing as well as maintaining the EPI web site. Pray for much wisdom in ongoing work setting up and maintaining the small office server (PED Feb. 4).

Tues. 15 From Alma: *"Pearl [Winterburn] has been sending me e-mail messages of incidents during her [recent] visit to Tchabi, as she thinks of them. I hope to use them (as well as photos) as I create a new chapter for the reprinting of In the Heart of a Pearl."* Pray for the Lord's blessing and help in this.

Wed. 16 Pray that the Lord may continue to guide as well as give a good measure of health and strength to Bill and Della in their preparations for their move to the London, ON, area in June to join the work of New Life Prison Ministry.

Thurs. 17 From Noel: *"Pray that the Everyday Publications web site will be a continued blessing and will help expand our borders as EPI prayerfully reaches the saints with good books on the Bible."*

Fri. 18 Thank the Lord today for each one who cheerfully helps with proofreading titles in our various languages as the need arises.

Sat. 19 From Mark: *"[We] would like to move to Port Colborne to be closer to the office and Portal Village Bible Chapel. Please pray that God would open the right doors at the right time"* (PED Sept. 3).

Sun. 20 Praise the Lord for 7,258 books sent "no charge" to assembly commended missionaries serving in Zambia, Angola, South Africa, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Spain, Bolivia, Venezuela, Colombia, Honduras, and Tanzania in the first four months of our current fiscal year. Pray for effective and fruitful distribution.

Mon. 21 Pray that the Lord may give wisdom to Sara in the many small (and sometimes not so small) decisions that need to be made in her

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work preparing Spanish and Portuguese translations and test booklets for printing.

Tues. 22 From Gertrud: *"Pray for Harry Johnson in Tanzania who has kindly agreed to check and proofread my translation [into Swahili] of Paul Bramsen's book One God One Message... Please don't stop praying for His enabling for this large project"* (PED Jan. 22).

Wed. 23 Pray that many missionaries and Christian workers who work with people who know English as a Second Language may become aware of our Everyday English books and use them in their ministries.

Thurs. 24 Ask the Lord to richly bless Harold and Barb, Jen, Rob, and Iain in their busy lives of work, school, and involvement at Portal Village Bible Chapel, where Harold serves as an elder.

Fri. 25 Thank the Lord for Nevien as she translates *Can We Know God?* into Arabic. Pray that the Lord may guide in selecting just the right word or phrase to accurately communicate the concepts.

Sat. 26 Pray for wisdom for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Hanniel Ghezzi, Gertrud Harlow, and Don MacMullen as they review materials in preparation for the upcoming Semi-Annual Meeting on May 22nd.

Sun. 27 Thank the Lord for prisoners who are studying the Word with the aid of an EPI book. Pray for good understanding and for life application of what they study.

Mon. 28 Pray that the Lord may guide as various staff plan for time away during the summer. Pray that the staffing needs of the office may be well covered while allowing for all to have some time off.

Tues. 29 Ask the Lord to give fresh ideas in how to make our books known to missionaries and Christian workers whose ministries would be greatly blessed by the use of our books.

Wed. 30 Pray that the Lord may continue to raise up missionaries with a vision for the *widespread distribution* of sound biblical literature.