## **PRAYER GUIDE** July 2021

"Not even the highest places or the lowest, or anything else in all creation can separate us. Nothing at all can ever separate us from God's love..."

(Romans 8:39 NIRV)

# ChristianHorizons

## **Week 1:** July 4-10

#### THE ROAD AHEAD

"Build up, build up, prepare the road! Remove the obstacles out of the way of my people." (Isaiah 57:14, NIV)

As Isaiah prophesies, we are working towards a post-COVID future where obstacles are removed as people encounter God. You can read more on this verse from Chantal Huinink in the Christian Business Directory here:

canadianchristiandirectory.com/blog/

#### PRAYER POINTS

- Praise the Lord for the opportunity to reengage communities and families in ways similar to life as we loved it prepandemic across Ontario and Saskatchewan, as the majority of the population have received at least their first vaccination against the coronavirus.
- On behalf of Christian Horizons Global, pray for the COVID-19 vaccine rollout around the world. May our international brothers and sisters also be able to live without fear or hardships caused by COVID-19.

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## Week 2: July 11-17

"God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but have eternal life" (John 3:16 NIRV)

#### THOUGHTS

John 3:16 reassures us that salvation does not depend on where we are from. Jesus loves the entire world and his sacrifice on the cross can cover all.

#### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for leaders in Haiti who currently have COVID-19. May they experience a quick and full recovery.
- On behalf of Christian Horizons Saskatchewan, pray for new projects– Host Families, Supported Independent Living, and for strong relationships with their new northern partners.
- Give thanks with Christian Horizons Saskatchewan because most people who use Christian Horizons services and many employees there are fully vaccinated against COVID-19!

## Week 3: July 18-24

A messenger is calling out, "In the desert prepare the way for the Lord. Make a straight road through it for our God. (Isaiah 40:3, NIRV)

#### THOUGHTS

It seems strange to say that God needs an accessible road! As with people, though, we seek to remove any barriers that would prevent an encounter with Jesus.

#### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for El Moro Guatemala which is currently closed as they deal with COVID-19 outbreaks. May those infected with the virus experience a quick and full recovery. May those who experience hardship because of closure experience God's faithfulness through his provision of resources and peace.
- Give thanks and pray for the employees in Saskatchewan who will be returning to regular work locations after bring redeployed the previous year

### Week 4: July 25-31

"Every valley will be filled in. Every mountain and hill will be made level. The rough ground will be smoothed out." (Isaiah 40:4 NIRV)

#### THOUGHTS

Isaiah proclaims that God's kingdom is barrier free. Regardless of accessibility legislation, when we remove barriers, we testify to God's glory.

#### PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God that food distribution programs we support globally have been able to continue to meet people's needs during the economic challenges related to the coronavirus pandemic.
- Thanksgiving that children with and without disabilities are starting accessible preschool programs in Nicaragua.
- Pray that the transition back to more routine services in Saskatchewan goes smoothly for people who use Christian Horizons services.

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