

# PRAAYER GUIDE

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"I was patient while I waited for the LORD. He turned to me and heard my cry for help."  
*Psalm 40:1 NIRV*

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December 4-10

## Wait upon the Lord

**"You too must be patient. You must remain strong. The Lord will soon come back."**

*(James 5:8 NIRV)*

When there is much turmoil in the world, we wonder "How long, oh Lord?" Patience means both waiting for Jesus' return and working for His Kingdom to come and His will to be done while we wait. Advent is a season that reminds us that our patience is not in vain!

### Prayer Points

- Praise God for generous donations through the Christian Horizons online auction. These funds will transform an ammunition storage building into a community centre for children with disabilities in Ethiopia, give families a Family Camp vacation and build affordable, accessible housing in Canada.
- We are thankful for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on December 3rd and for opportunities to celebrate in person.



Speaking at the Central ACM

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December 11-17

**"When you hope, be joyful. When you suffer, be patient. When you pray, be faithful."**

*(Romans 12:12 NIRV)*

Holidays can be joyful, painful, or a mix. Thanks to Jesus, our circumstances will improve eventually. For now, he made space for us to be loved exactly as we are, however we might feel in the moment.

### Prayer Points

- Pray for Haiti; the gang violence, limited resources and cholera outbreak have been devastating for the most vulnerable. Pray for wisdom and good leadership in aid negotiations. May international aid/interventions help establish short and long-term solutions and restoration.
- Give thanks for new employees joining Christian Horizons! May God continue to bring us people committed to our values, vision, and mission.

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### December 18–24

**"The Lord will fight for you. Just be still."**  
*(Exodus 14:14 NIRV)*

God does not stop working while we rest. There may be blessings in busy-ness, but often greater blessings are discovered when we are patient – waiting on God and being present for those we are with.

#### Prayer Points

- Give thanks for faithful church partners and volunteers who work alongside Christian Horizons Global in North America and in six countries where Christian Horizons Global is active.
- Pray for the continued health and safety of people who use Christian Horizons services, as COVID-19 is still a concern and we enter flu season.
- Pray the tentative peace agreements reached in Ethiopia will hold, and for aid and restoration in the Tigray region.



Celebrating at the Central ACM

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### December 25–31

**"...Be strong. Don't give up. God will reward you for your work."**  
*(2 Chronicles 15:7 NIRV)*

If God puts a goal in your head or on your heart, it may take a while to accomplish but it will be worth it in the end. Be patient and persevere, listening to the direction of God's Spirit as go.

#### Prayer Points

- Pray that, as many people's support needs change due to aging, Christian Horizons and people who use our services would be able to adjust, transition and seek creative and alternative ways to meet support needs.
- Give thanks that Christian Horizons Global teachers in Guatemala had the opportunity to be trained in collaboration, sharing best practices, and learning inclusive teaching methods.

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