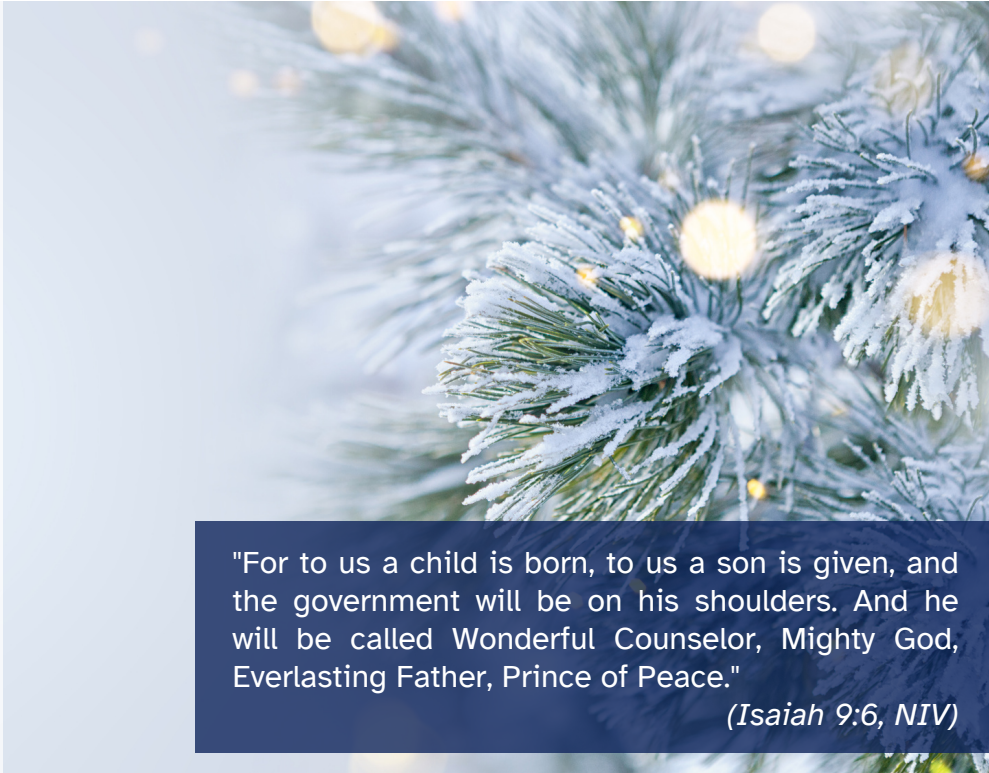


Prayer Guide

DECEMBER 2023



"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

(Isaiah 9:6, NIV)

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December 3-9

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel' (which means 'God with us')."

(Matthew 1:23, NIV)

That God came to earth to be with us as a human being, in Jesus, is a beautiful reality. God did not come to earth to condemn the world, but to save it through Jesus. May you experience Christ's presence today!

Prayer Points

- We pray for strength and wisdom for our leadership team that has undergone many changes.
- We give thanks that we could fill a backlog of funded vacancies within Central district. We are so happy that this also supports our financial stability as a district
- We pray for the new people and families we are welcoming to Karis as they learn a about us and engage with us.



Gentlemen in Toronto
enjoying their new Karis
merch!

2

December 10-16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

(John 3:16, NIV)

"God so loved the world." We are amazed at the way that God's love flows through creation and brings Jesus to earth. May your week be filled with gratitude for the earth we live in and for God's love and grace.

Prayer Points

- We give thanks for the new formal pre-kindergarten program that will be starting in the new year in San Benito, Nicaragua.
- We give thanks for the church team that traveled to Nicaragua. They helped encourage our leaders, provided day program opportunities for children, and helped fund renovations and materials for this new school.

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December 17-23

“Don’t be afraid!” [the angel] said. “I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people.”

(Luke 2:10, NLT)

The angel’s message rings as true today as it did thousands of years ago. “Don’t be afraid!” The Christmas message is one of love, joy, peace, and hope. We know we are loved by the God who came to earth as a baby lying in a manger.

Prayer Points

- We will be celebrating the International Day of Persons with Disabilities at our Magnificent Memories Retreat near Toronto, Ontario. We pray for a safe, engaging, and fun event.
- We are thankful for the government officials and agencies that help ensure the services and supports we provide meet and exceed their standards. May they be wise and discerning as they carry out their work.

The Village participants serve at the Anida Food Bank in Toronto.



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December 24-30

For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

(John 1:17, NIV)

As you celebrate Christmas this week, our prayer is that you experience the grace and truth of Jesus. May God’s grace (charis) flow through your relationships and into the world around you this season!

Prayer Points

- We give thanks for and celebrate the joy of Christmas. We continue to give thanks for all the great things you have given us as we celebrate the birth of Your Son.
- We pray for peace around the world, including in Ethiopia, Guatemala, Haiti, and other places where we work.
- We pray for those with unspoken wants or needs at this time of year, and we ask for strength and courage for them

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Additional Prayer Points to Consider

- We pray and give thanks for all our local volunteers in our international communities who are there as a consistent support.
- We pray for current sponsorship campaigns that are underway. We pray that we can reach out in love to more vulnerable children.

Jessica visits her local library!



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