



Prayer Guide

JANUARY 2024

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

(John 1:14, NIV)

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DEC 31 - JANUARY 6

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."

(James 1:17, NIV)

This year, we focus on celebrating grace and gifts. We celebrate that God gives good gifts to his children, and this includes the presence and blessing we are to one another through both the joys and the sorrows of life.

Prayer Points

- We give thanks that a leadership group was recently able to travel to El Morro, Guatemala. We are grateful for a safe trip despite the current political unrest. Please pray for continued efforts to reach out to the most vulnerable in this community.
- We are grateful for our long-term sponsors who have made a difference in so many children's lives. We pray that we might be able to find more partners to work alongside us.



At the Mess in Kingston, arts come alive!

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JANUARY 7 - 13

"Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!"
(2 Corinthians 9:15, NIV)

In this passage, Paul is writing of the "surpassing grace God has given you." We rejoice in this grace, which comes through the Person of Jesus Christ - whose birth we celebrated not long ago!

Prayer Points

- We are grateful to be able to run two Family camp programs in January. Please pray that this can be a refreshing, inspirational and safe time for all. We give thanks for the volunteers who come forward to help run this program and for the vibrancy they bring.
- We give thanks for the blessing of our dedicated staff celebrating milestone anniversaries of up to 30 years. We are thankful for the many years of their hard work and support.

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JANUARY 14 - 20

“And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.” (2 Corinthians 9:8, NIV)

Just prior to last week’s verse, Paul reminds the Corinthians that God’s grace gives them strength to serve one another and to share their gifts in ways that are a blessing to the whole community. This is the “good work” that God has called them to do.

Prayer Points

- We pray for a smooth transition as we welcome Stefan Thomas into the Executive Director role in January, for the East District (Ottawa and Kingston area). We give thanks for and celebrate this new opportunity.
- We pray for the continued efforts of staffing, recruitment, and retention. We pray for wisdom and guidance throughout the hiring process.



Patricia enjoys a creative personal planning process!

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JANUARY 21 - 27

“But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.” (Ephesians 4:7, NIV)

In the New Living Translation, this verse reads “he has given each one of us a special gift through the generosity of Christ.” We are reminded that grace itself is a gift, given to each of us as we need it, and we share this grace with others.

Prayer Points

- We pray for loving care and strength for several people using our services who are facing difficult illnesses. We pray for peace and recovery for each of them.
- We pray for people who are moving to new support locations. We pray they are able to experience more independence, better accessibility, and more community participation. We give thanks for these opportunities for people to pursue their goals!

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JAN 28 - FEBRUARY 3

“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.” (John 15:11, NIV)

Complete joy. Can you imagine anything better? John writes to his readers urging them to remain in God’s love. In this love, while following Christ’s commands, is where complete joy might be found. Now that’s worth celebrating!

Prayer Points

- As we head into February, we pray for grace with one another as the winter can start to feel very long.
- Say a prayer for Karis Disability Services leaders as they prepare for the months ahead, particularly with year-end processes that are quickly approaching.
- We praise God for all of the volunteers who work with us in many different capacities. May they be encouraged that the work they are doing makes a real difference in people’s lives.



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