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# Prayer Guide OCTOBER 2024

"Dear Friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God" (1 John 4:7, NIV)

### September 29 - October 5

"So that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other."

(1 Corinthians 12:25, NIV)

The Apostle Paul is clear. God has designed the body of Christ to be united. Each part caring and supporting the other. No body is completely whole without every part. May we be unified and focused on showing love and concern for each member of the body.

#### **Prayer Points**

- Give thanks for the partnership and generosity of current sponsors and supporters here in Canada and USA.
- Pray for everybody (staff, family, friends, housemates) grieving the unexpected passing of somebody we supported in Durham.



## October 6-12

"There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

(Galatians 3:28, NIV)

In the Kingdom of God, there are no barriers cultural or social—that can separate us from Christ. As God's children, we are called to be on mission to see and treat everybody we encounter as a beloved part of God's family. May we live without barriers and tangibly live Christ out, reflecting His perfect love and grace.

#### **Prayer Points**

- Pray for God's wisdom and provision for our partners and leaders as they seek to expand the impact of our outreach to the most vulnerable in our Global programs.
- Prayer and praise for those who have just moved into Karis
  Disability Services locations. Pray that they would feel at home as they get to know their roommates, new support staff and new communities. We pray for the many others who continue to seek services.

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## October 13-19

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." (Romans 15:7, NIV)

With arms wide open, Christ welcomes me, despite my flaws and shortcomings. That same limitless grace is what we are called to extend to others. How can we be more welcoming today? How can you create spaces of belonging where people feel accepted? Doing so brings glory to God.

#### **Prayer Points**

- Pray for the ongoing challenge of recruiting caring and qualified employees. May God bring forward the right people for open positions .
- Praise for our amazing Direct Support Professionals (DSP's) who give of themselves to create special memories through events such as the PROM that people enjoyed this past summer.



Central East hosted PROM this summer.

## October 20-26

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." (Ephesians 4:3, NIV)

Unity does not happen by accident. It requires effort—sometimes a lot of effort! Whether in our teams or communities, keeping peace and staying united is something we must actively pursue. As you pray, commit to listening well and seeking out peace in relationships, relying on the Spirit to guide you.

#### **Prayer Points**

- As we continue to look for a new building for the Central East District Office, we pray that God would guide us to a space that aligns with His vision for our future. We pray for a place where we can continue to provide opportunities for people to share their gifts and experience belonging.
- Pray that we can connect more children with sponsors so that they have opportunities to learn, grow and belong.

## October 27–November 2

"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith."

(Galatians 3:26, NIV)

The greatest gift you'll ever receive, is your adoption as God's child. Let that sink in. It's a reminder that our worth is not tied to what we do, but to who our Father is. May you let this truth change how you see and know yourself, others, and God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

#### **Prayer Points**

- We praise God as we reflect on the successful Karis Family Camp that the Central East District was able to help host at Elim Lodge. We pray God's blessing on these families through the fall and winter seasons.
- Please continue to pray for Haiti and Ethiopia- for restoration and peace in these countries. Please pray for stability to allow schools to start up again in Haiti.



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