



*Engaging the One to Reach the Many*

## Contending In Prayer

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### **Thu., May 1 C., Home Assignment/Recruitment**

Thanks to the Father for Micaela and my firstborn child who will be welcomed into our family this month!

### **Fri., May 2 Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired**

Sherry has had a low grade fever and flu like symptoms for the last four months. A recent trip to the endodontist and an infected root canal appears to be the problem. We thank God that a course of antibiotics seems to be bringing relief.

### **Sat., May 3 P., Professional Overseas**

Pray that our preparations for our summer in Canada and the USA will come together well. Ask the Lord to prepare divine appointments for us to meet all the people we should connect with.

### **Sun., May 4 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**

Jan has been invited to speak at ACSI Brazil (Association of Christian Schools International) during the first week of May. Pray for good connections and growth in the Christian school movement in Brazil.

### **Mon., May 5 Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting**

Please continue to pray for the OMS Canada staff through the various changes and transitions we continue to face. Pray for guidance through various decisions made and most importantly, that God would be glorified in it all.

### **Tue., May 6 Colleen Taylor, Retired**

With Canadian elections over, pray for our leaders, those returning and those with new positions.

### **Wed., May 7 Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**

Please continue to pray for the situation in Haiti. Gangs are almost in complete control of the capital city and have even attacked a city further north. Pray for gangs to be defeated.

### **Thu., May 8 Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**

Heavenly Father, I lift up unsaved loved ones to you and ask that you reveal yourself to them in a powerful way. Open their hearts to your truth and lead them to accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour. I pray for their salvation and eternal life in you.

### **Fri., May 9 Nathan Krampitz, Retired**

I thank God for the visits of my children from the west coast. I enjoy the times we have together immensely

### **Sat., May 10 Eric Wuest, Asia/Oceania**

Eric has been accepted as an Itinerant Missionary. Pray as arrangements are made for an initial trip to the field to work out details of his assignment.

### **Sun., May 11 Mother's Day**

*Proverbs 31:26 "She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue."* Pray for godly mothers that seek the Lord for His wisdom and kindness.

### **Mon., May 12 R. Retired**

China is under extreme economic pressure and it is impossible to predict the outcome. But we do know the Chinese government is clamping down on the underground church and ramping up the expulsion of all foreign missionaries. Please pray for all our brothers and sisters in Christ to remain strong in these times!

### **Tue., May 13 Flo Epp, Retired**

Pray for children in Haiti to be able to attend school without fear of being kidnapped or injured. Give thanks for Mercy Kids who continue to support children in various schools. More sponsors are needed. If interested please contact Carmen Messam at [mercykids@omscanada.org](mailto:mercykids@omscanada.org).

### **Wed., May 14 "Brother Jim", Taiwan**

Pray that the Lord would prepare the hearts of the people of Hualien, Taiwan in bondage to Taoism, Buddhism, Animism and Folk religion to repent and turn to Christ in faith.

**Thu., May 15 Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment**  
Please pray for strength, endurance and good health during this busy season of work.

**Fri., May 16 Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**  
Pray for strength as we move to the end of the school year, that the students would complete their work well especially those graduating and moving on to the next phase in their lives.

**Sat., May 17 Brenda Tackey, Interim Director of Operations**  
Please continue to uphold the OMSC office staff in prayer as all are taking on additional tasks out of necessity. Please pray for wisdom as decisions in this regard are made.

**Sun., May 18 Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**  
Praise the Lord for those involved in MFM in Canada, and pray for good contacts with more men who have a desire to grow in their faith and serve the Lord through praying, giving, and going.

**Mon., May 19 Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**  
Pray for our continued ability to walk and basically care for ourselves here at Wesley Village.

**Tue., May 20 Helmut & Tina Markeli, Retired**  
In these last weeks before the ESL program takes a summer break, pray for opportunities to share the hope we have in Jesus. Pray for open hearts, wisdom to share with limited vocabulary, and sensitivity to God's Spirit. The end of term potluck with a Gospel message will be held June 6.

**Wed., May 21 Clara Heebner, Retired**  
Pray that Clara will be aware of the Lord's presence each day.

**Thu., May 22 Susie (Heinrichs) Pittman, Special Assignment**  
Pray for peace and revival among the gangs in Haiti. Pray for refuge and protection for all those caught in the crossfire. God, send them relief.

**Fri., May 23 Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**  
Please pray for MFM as we work with Mark and Livia Nelson to make arrangements for the replacement of the roof needed on the Nut House in Estonia.

**Sat., May 24 Stan Dyer, Retired**  
Pray for Stan as he continues to serve the Lord, despite health challenges.

**Sun., May 25 Search Committee**  
Pray for the members of the search committee as they seek the Lord's guidance as they conduct interviews for the position of Executive Director for OMS Canada.

**Mon., May 26 Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**  
The situation in Haiti has been heavy on our hearts. Keep praying for God's people in that country. Pray for strength and courage to face each new day. Ask the Lord to provide for their needs in a special way. Pray for strong government leadership to come forward and stand firm against gang violence.

God uses men who are weak and feeble enough to lean on Him.

—Hudson Taylor

**Tue., May 27 Larry & Susan Weil, Washington**  
Pray for Christian Academy in Mozambique (CAM) as the school board (Larry chairs it) needs to find a new school director by December as our current director has given notice. Pray for wisdom for the board in this process and that they will find someone who can carry the vision of CAM into the future.

**Wed., May 28 New Workers**  
Continue to lift up the need for new workers for the harvest! Ask the Holy Spirit to prepare the hearts of those that God is calling to serve Him in Canada and around the world.

**Thu., May 29 Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**  
Please pray for my father Ivan's health as he continues his battle with cancer. There are some complications that may require more surgery. Please pray for our health as well, as Halya and I both have some physical conditions mainly caused by the stress build up over the last couple of years. We want to get healthier, which will include both medical treatment, as well as changes in lifestyle and learning to set healthy boundaries.

**Fri., May 30 Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**  
Pray for preparation of camps, Bible clubs and other summer programs. May the Lord provide necessary staff that are dedicated to sharing Christ's love.

**Sat., May 31 P., Professional Overseas**  
Pray for us as we meet with ministry partners in Singapore for the first time. Pray that we will get a full understanding of their ministry and how best to support them.



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**Sun., June 1 Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment**  
4VEH celebrates 75 years of ministry, today! Praise God! This milestone is a testament to God's unwavering faithfulness over the years. We rejoice in how He has sustained and expanded His work. All glory be to God!

**Mon., June 2 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**  
Rod will be in Nigeria the first week of June teaching a course on Wesley and Discipleship at WATS (West Africa Theological Seminary). Pray for students' safety as they travel to the course and wisdom in applying the material to their particular situation.

**Tue., June 3 Susie (Heinrichs) Pittman, Special Assignment**  
Pray for the safe arrival of our baby girl this month.

**Wed., June 4 Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**  
This month Bethesda, in Haiti, is raising funds to renovate two unused rooms in the dental clinic into more space for beds for the emergency department. Please pray for donations and for this project to come to completion quickly.

**Thu., June 5 Brenda Tackey, Interim Director of Operations**  
Pray for new workers at home (specifically executive director position) and abroad. And please pray a special blessing for our current workers and volunteers on this day.

**Fri., June 6 Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired**  
Pray for our granddaughter Grace, who went on a short term mission trip to Colombia for a week in March. She plans to spend about a month in Papua New Guinea this May/June as she seeks God's will moving into her last term of university next fall.

**Sat., June 7 Missionary Kids (MKs)**  
Please pray for MKs who are facing major changes in the next few months, that they will sense the presence of the Lord and draw close to Him. Pray for Sofiya Lozynsky as she graduates high school in Ukraine and has important exams which will determine to which university she can apply.

**Sun., June 8 Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**  
Missionary Flights International flies into the Cap Haitian area of Haiti with helps and aid for the pastors and mission agencies working in the country. Pray that the Lord will provide safety and the necessary funds for their work.

**Mon., June 9 P., Professional Overseas**  
Pray that our annual missionary council in Indiana is filled with wisdom, encouragement, progress and the power of the Holy Spirit. Pray for lots of energy for very full days.

**Tue., June 10 Colleen Taylor, Retired**  
Pray for quick, helpful solutions to the disbanding of the gangs in Haiti.

**Wed., June 11 Larry & Susan Weil, Washington**  
Pray for Susan as she prepares for the Dynamic Women in Missions Patchwork of Life conferences in Mexico City. There will be four one-day conferences during July 2 - 10. Pray that the Lord will prepare the hearts of the women who need to hear God's Word and that they will be drawn to attend.

**Thu., June 12 Flo Epp, Retired**  
God is doing amazing things in Africa through the Village Church Planters. Recently another seven villages have been opened to the Gospel, and the believers will be reaching out to more villages sharing the Good News.

**Fri., June 13 R., Retired**  
Our son continues to struggle with holding a job and managing and organizing his life with ADHD. Please pray for the right Christian counselor-psychologist to train him with survival strategies for an independent life - and for our son to be willing to receive and implement this help.

**Sat., June 14 C., Home Assignment/Recruitment**  
Please ask for strength and rest as our family adjusts to the new addition.

**Sun. June 15**                      **Father's Day**  
*Proverbs 20:7: "The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him."* Pray for righteous men of integrity to lead their families in spiritual growth.

**Mon., June 16**            **Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**  
Some plans have changed, so ask the Lord to guide us and give wisdom in making alternate plans for the replacement of the roof on our mission house.

**Tue., June 17**                      **OMS Global Board**  
Pray for board members who gather from around the world this month to make decisions and give leadership to OMS Global. Ask the Lord for safe travels, unity of Spirit, and a clear sense of the Lord's direction.

**Wed., June 18**                      **"Brother Jim", Taiwan**  
Pray that I would be ready to leave for Taiwan by July 1st.

**Thu., June 19**                      **Eric Wuest, Asia/Oceania**  
Ask the Lord to guide Eric as he builds a team of partners to support his ministry through prayer and giving. Pray he will quickly grasp the field procedures and processes that he will assist with from Canada.

**Fri., June 20**    **Helmut & Tina Markeli, Retired**  
Pray for our daughter, Maria, and family as they return to SE Asia. They will be moving to another island for a transition year as they prepare for a new ministry where there is little Gospel witness. Pray for good farewells in their old location, smooth adjustments to a new place, (new school for the younger three), and God's direction and open doors for the new ministry.

**Sat., June 21**    **Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**  
Our daughter Jennifer is getting married today. Please pray that all the details will be worked out and they will have a wonderful weather day and a beautiful wedding. May God bless their marriage and their lives together.

**Sun., June 22**                      **Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**  
Pray for those attending summer camps, Vacation Bible Schools, and other special programs to be open to the call of God in their lives, to follow and serve Him.

**Mon., June 23**                      **Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**  
Pray for wounded soldiers and widows and orphans who have lost their loved ones in war. There are a number of people whom we already serve, (Ihor, Natalia and her kids) but the needs are great and we want to reach out to more. Also pray for the leadership team of our church to have wisdom, unity, and a clear vision from God.

**Tue., June 24**    **Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting**  
Please continue to pray for our faithful donors. Pray that God would continue to provide for them and meet all their needs. Pray also, that we would see new donors partner with OMS Canada.

**Wed., June 25**                      **Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**  
Ask the Lord for safe travel as Kyle travels, encouraging men to be more involved in missions. May the Lord watch over his family while he is away from home.

**Thu., June 26**                      **Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**  
Praise for our children being close and able to visit us a couple of times a week.

**Fri., June 27**                                      **Safe Travel**  
Summer is a busy travel time as missionaries travel back to passport countries for furlough, summer missionaries travel overseas, and many are busy with vacations and summer activities. Ask the Lord for safety and that all of our interactions with others would be honouring to Him.

**Sat., June 28**                      **Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**  
Pray for our missionaries overseas. Lord, you have called them away from their homeland to follow you for your purpose in their lives and to the lives of those they come into contact with - just as Hebrews 11: 8 reminds us of Abraham going by obedience, not knowing what he would find in the journey ahead. I pray that the hearts they come into contact with would be open and willing to hear and receive the beautiful and life-altering truth of your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Sun, June 29**                                      **Nathan Krampitz, Retired**  
Ask God to be with the first year Seminary and Bible School students in India as they adjust to studies and being away from home. Pray that they may truly know God's calling for their lives.

**Mon., June 30**                                      **International Schools**  
Pray for schools that are still needing additional staff for the next school year. May their recruiting efforts during the summer bear fruit and may those that the Lord has called be obedient to His voice.