



One Lord. One Life. One Calling.

Contending In Prayer

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Wed., Jan. 1 **New Year's Day**
Psalm 65:11a "You crown the year with your goodness". Let us praise the Lord for His goodness in the past and thank Him for His promises for the year ahead.

Thu., Jan. 2 **Heidi Purvis, Finance Director**
I pray for God's direction for OMS Canada as we start a brand new calendar year. Prayers for wisdom, discernment, guidance, and patience. As OMS Canada goes through a transition of leadership, I pray that our work continues to bless our Lord and Saviour in all that we do.

Fri., Jan. 3 **P., Professional Overseas**
Pray for the Asia/Pacific OMS summit that occurs every two years. Pray for the Spirit to encourage and strengthen the missionaries as they meet.

Sat., Jan. 4 **Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**
Pray for us as we lead a team of Taylor Students on an Education-Missions trip. These are students learning to teach English and they will do that in Christian Schools, Moslem Schools and Hindu Schools in the country of Asia Oceania. We will be gone Jan. 2-28, 2025.

Sun., Jan. 5 **Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting**
Pray As we start a new year, please pray that God would be glorified in all that we do.

Mon., Jan. 6 **Helmut & Tina Markeli, Retired**
ESL classes will resume today. Ask God to break down barriers of language and fear. Ask God to help the teachers and assistants to love people as God loves them.

Tue., Jan. 7 **Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**
Please pray for a good start to the school year at Emmaus University. Pray for God to provide the funds needed to run daily operations on the campus.

Wed., Jan. 8 **Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**
A new year and a lot of negative changes going on that effects everyone. Feels like 'pie in the sky' to say that GOD is in control of ALL THINGS - but HE really is — HIS Word promises us. Pray for stamina and courage as we each face new challenges and may we each help those in need around us.

Thu., Jan. 9 **Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**
Pray for God's guidance as we step into the new year. Ask for wisdom to make right decisions, clarity in our goals, and strength to follow the path He sets before us.

Fri., Jan. 10 **Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**
Please pray along with me for God to provide even more opportunities to meet more new people in 2025 so that they can hear about the amazing work God is doing through OMS and MFM Canada. Pray also that when people hear about the many opportunities we have, that they would respond without hesitation as the Lord leads them to by either committing to pray for us, committing to support us financially or committing to go and say yes to one of the many short term or long term mission opportunities we have available.

Sat., Jan. 11 **Flo Epp, Retired**
More chemotherapy treatments started in December and will continue through mid-March to complete 6 rounds. Pray that the treatments will be effective to stop the growth of cancer cells in the lymph nodes. Also give praise that side effects have been minimal.

Sun., Jan. 12 **R. Retired**
Please pray for our grieving son who recently lost a friend; a young man from Asia who succumbed to his addiction. Praise God this friend came to Christ within the last year - hungry for the truth and the love of Christ - now safe in his heavenly home!

Mon., Jan. 13 **Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired**
Wayne is getting used to hearing aids after years of tinnitus affecting his hearing. He is also scheduled for carpal tunnel surgery for his left hand on January 14. Sherry continues to deal with infections as a result of chemo weakening her immune system. This winter she has been catching every bug that comes through the area.

Thur., Jan. 14 **Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**
Praise God that He provided us with a new car! Pray for the ongoing work of preparing for the MFM team to Estonia to replace our roof.

Wed., Jan. 15 **“Brother Jim”, Taiwan**
Pray for me to make good progress in preparing for my departure for Taiwan.

Thu., Jan. 16 **Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment**
Pray for solutions to ongoing political chaos that will benefit all of the Haitian people.

Fri., Jan. 17 **Brenda Tackey, Interim Director of Operations**
Pray for the OMS board and specifically for the search committee as the recruitment of the next Executive Director gets underway. .

Sat., Jan. 18 **Applicants**
Pray for those that are at various stages of the application process. Ask for the Lord’s guidance at each step of the way, as they follow His leading.

Sun., Jan. 19 **Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**
Continue to pray for Bob and Norma Jean during their retirement years, that the Lord would guide, protect, and provide.

Mon., Jan. 20 **Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**
As the war drags on, please continue to pray for God’s protection and guidance for us. We often feel emotionally and spiritually drained, but we want to be faithful to God’s calling on our life. Please pray that God would give us strength and faithfulness to do that.

Tue., Jan. 21 **Clara Heebner, Retired**
Ask the Lord to grant Clara peace and contentment each day.

Wed., Jan. 22 **Susie (Heinrichs) Pittman, Special Assignment**
James and I are so blessed to have our first child on the way. We would appreciate prayers for Susie as she is teaching full time, but has been consistently ill.

Thu., Jan. 23 **Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**
Please pray for MFM as we finalize team details for two teams travelling within the next two months. One will travel to Taiwan in February and another team will travel to Colombia in March 2025. Pray for God to be in the details, and prepare the travellers and the field to receive each team.

If God wills the evangelization of the world,
and you refuse to support missions, then you
are opposed to the will of God.

—Oswald J. Smith

Fri., Jan. 24 **Stan Dyer, Retired**
Ask the Lord to give special grace to Stan as he deals with his loss of eyesight.

Sat., Jan. 25 **Nathan Krampitz, Retired**
The persecution of Christ-followers in India remains at a high level. But, God’s servants there continue to service with perseverance and faithfulness. Some of them are traveling to Sri Lanka in January to help Roger K. give training to Sri Lankan pastors and church planters.

Sun., Jan. 26 **C., Home Assignment/Recruitment**
Please remember my wife, Micaela, and our baby who is half way to being here. Ask for a good second half of the pregnancy!

Mon., Jan. 27 **Larry & Susan Weil, Washington**
Pray for peace in Mozambique who have been experiencing uprisings and violence due to disputed election results. Pray for our Maputo Seminary and Christian Academy in Mozambique to be able to begin the new school year safely. Pray for Larry as he navigates his retirement from One Mission Society.

Tue., Jan. 28 **Colleen Taylor, Retired**
There has been a lot of growth in my home church, Bethel. Pray for wisdom for the council to know the best way to accommodate everyone.

Wed., Jan. 29 **New Workers**
Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Luke 10:2 Pray for good connections at mission events in the coming months, and that many hearts would be touched and people would respond to the Lord’s call to serve cross culturally.

Thu., Jan. 30 **Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**
Praise the Lord for all the constituents that enable OMS Canada to minister around the world, through their faithful prayer and financial support. May the Lord bless each one and continue to raise up new team members.

Fri., Jan. 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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Sat., Feb. 1 Larry & Susan Weil, Washington
Pray for Susan as she is facilitating a Seed Sower training in Sequim at one of our supporting churches. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide the facilitating team and the women who are taking the training. Pray that the women will use the tools they have learned to reach others for the Lord, and that some of them will be interested in joining a Seed Sower team to minister to women in other countries.

Sun., Feb. 2 Retirees
Praise the Lord for those that gave their lives to serve Him through the ministry of OMS. May He continue to bless them each day.

Mon., Feb. 3 Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting This is a very busy month for receipting, so please pray that receipts would all be sent out in an efficient and timely manner.

Tue., Feb. 4 Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting Please pray for our faithful supporters. We are truly blessed by these individuals and ask that God would continue to meet their every need as they support OMS.

Wed., Feb. 5 Brenda Tackey, Interim Director of Operations Pray for the staff in the Burlington office as workloads can be heavy this month with additional responsibilities and deadlines.

Thu., Feb. 6 Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland
Pray for peace in Haiti - February can be a difficult month in Haiti leading up to Mardi Gras, and typically a new president would be inaugurated on February 7th. Haiti has not had a president since the previous one was assassinated in 2021. Pray for peace for elections to take place.

Fri., Feb. 7 Kyle Martin, Men for Missions
Pray for Cameron Kennedy and the team he is leading to Taiwan. Pray also for the mission fest season starting in February. Pray that we have the opportunity to introduce OMS and MFM to many new people that we meet at these conferences.

Sat., Feb. 8 Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired
Pray much for Haiti. GOD has a plan for all that is going on — HE always does — just keep His people ever before HIM. Ask for courage and strength and provision for their needs.

Sun., Feb. 9 Helmut & Tina Markeli, Retired
Pray for Tina as she meets with some women one-on-one, that God will give His words to comfort, encourage and challenge these women to let God be not only Saviour but Lord in their daily lives.

Mon., Feb. 10 Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired
Wayne and Sherry celebrate 47 years of married life today. It is great to celebrate serving Jesus together.

Tue., Feb. 11 Heidi Purvis, Finance
I pray that OMS Canada is able to find new missionaries to share the Good News to all the nations and people groups. I also pray for countries that are in battle with violence and civil unrest. May God shine brighter in Ukraine and Haiti to bring peace among those nations and for all the people to unite as one body in Jesus Christ name, Amen.

Wed., Feb. 12 Flo Epp, Retired
During this month of love, remember to pray for loved ones who don't have a personal relationship with God who loves them unconditionally.

Thu., Feb. 13 R., Retired
We may well now be heading into a time of pseudo peace, which the Bible refers to 'as the days of Noah' where many in the church will lose their spiritual direction. Our prayer is that we, the remnant, keep our focus and urgency in reaching the lost for Christ, and finishing our race well.

Fri., Feb. 14 Valentine's Day
By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.
John 13:35

Sat. Feb. 15 Nathan Krampitz, Retired
Pray that I will be able to recognise and seize the opportunities for being a witness that the Lord grants me.

Sun., Feb. 16 Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia
Pray for the Estonian Church we serve which is struggling to develop its identity after separating from the international denomination. Pray that God's voice will be heard and followed.

Solid, lasting missionary work
is done on our knees.
-James O. Fraser

Mon., Feb. 17 Board Members
Praise the Lord for the men and women who faithfully give of their time and resources to direct the ministry of OMS Canada. Ask the Lord for His protection of their families and to give special wisdom in decisions that are made concerning ministry.

Tue., Feb. 18 Susie (Heinrichs) Pittman, Special Assignment
Pray for the Haitian people as they continue to struggle to survive the daily unrest that makes necessities hard to find.

Wed., Feb. 19C., Home Assignment/Recruitment
Please lift up our short term trip to Taiwan! We leave on the 20th and we'll be serving with the Taiwan field for about two weeks. Ask for travel mercies and servant hearts.

Thu., Feb. 20 Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions
Please pray for a team travelling to Taiwan from February 20 to March 5. This team will be led by C Kennedy and two young adults are travelling with him. Pray for God to protect them and prepare them for this mission adventure. Pray also for good opportunities to serve and to encourage the people of Taiwan.

Fri., Feb. 21 Colleen Taylor, Retired
Pray for Lesly, in charge of the financial records for Bethesda Clinic in Haiti.

Sat., Feb. 22 Mary Lou Wunker, Retired
Pray for persecuted Christians around the world. May the Lord give them wisdom and grace as they live for Him in difficult situations.

Sun., Feb. 23 Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine
Thanks for your prayers as we have merged with another church, to form "Good News Fellowship." With so many having left the country, it is encouraging to have a larger group to fellowship together, as well as many children and youth. There are seven on the leadership team, but as senior pastor, I (Pavlo) need wisdom and resiliency.

Prayer is God's ordained way to bring His
miracle power to bear in human need.
-Wesley Duewel

Prayer is the mightiest agent
to advance God's work.
-E. M. Bounds

Mon., Feb. 24 Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment
Praising God for His faithfulness as 4VEH celebrates their 75th anniversary this coming year!

Tue., Feb. 25 OMS Canada Board
Pray as preparations are made for the Annual Meeting of the Board next month. Ask for wisdom and direction for the search committee, as they seek the Lord's guidance for the new Executive Director of OMS Canada, as well as new board members.

Wed., Feb. 26 "Brother Jim", Taiwan
Pray for the salvation of an international student, Walter, before he returns to his home country. Also ask that I would draw close to the Lord, and give thanks to Him as I minister to others.

Thu., Feb. 27 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.
Pray for wisdom in planning future mission trips, we want to be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit and how we can best serve the Kingdom.

Fri., Feb. 28 Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.
International Students, Missionary Kids, Christian Communities and Churches; pray for a fresh opportunity to draw closer to God, to stay connected with Him, and build a strong spiritual foundation for the rest of the year.