



*Engaging the One to Reach the Many*

## Contending In Prayer

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**Fri., Mar.1** **Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**

Please pray for the OMS UK conference on March 2nd. May God be glorified through it all.

**Sat., Mar.2** **Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**

Please pray for the safety of the nine men travelling to Colombia March 2-12, 2024. Pray that we would finish the Belen Ricon Church Parsonage project so that Pastor Eder and his family can move into their new home. Also pray for our prison ministry day and our door to door evangelism day that God would use us in a powerful way to reach the lost with the good news of the gospel.

**Sun., Mar.3** **Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**

Please pray for an MFM team as they travel to Colombia to work with a national church. Pray for travelling mercies and good connections and fellowship with opportunities to encourage fellow believers and tell others of the gospel.

**Mon., Mar.4** **Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**

During our time away in February, we partnered with another local church, where we are also considering a more long term partnership or merger. As we are now back in Ukraine, pray for God's guidance as to next steps. We want to know His will in this matter, as well as His clear direction in the process, if we move forward. Pray for the church, as well as myself, as pastor, as this will require strong leadership in making practical decisions.

**Tue., Mar.5** **Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**

A great month for Norma's 91st birthday! I thank God for His love for me and I thank Him for each one of you who pray for me.

**Wed., Mar.6** **C., Professional Overseas**

Please ask that the Father would bless all the students and people from different communities that I've been connecting with over the past two months. Each one has been called to go, tell, teach, and obey. May He bless them and they follow Him.

**Thu., Mar.7** **Larry & Susan Weil, Washington**

Uplift in prayer the small OMS Mozambique team in their ministries. Pray for Christian Academy in Mozambique director Duane Pass as he leads the school in vision and leadership. Pray for Kara Lantrip with her music and sports ministries at CAM School. Pay for our three Brazilian missionaries, Monica, Paulo and Fernanda as they minister to the churches and for Eliseu as he leads the team and teaches at the seminary. Pray for Larry as he chairs the CAM School board and prepares for the March board meeting.

**Fri., Mar.8** **Mark Kroes, Executive Director**

Please pray for the OMS Canada Board Meeting on Saturday March 9. Ontario has changed the legislation governing Charitable Corporations and the Board is working through the changes to the Bylaws that are now required.

**Sat., Mar.9** **Board Meeting**

As the Board meets today, pray for good internet connections for all, unity of heart and mind, as well as the Lord's guidance in all discussion and decisions.

**Sun., Mar.10** **Helmut & Tina Markeli, Retired**

March 10 to April 9 Muslims will fast all day in an effort to make themselves worthy before God. Pray that many will come to understand that good works are not enough. Ask that co-workers on the Asia-Oceania field will have opportunities to tell of the Saviour who is worthy.

**Mon., Mar.11** **Retirees**

Ask the Lord to give Maud McHardy and Clara Heebner a clear sense of peace and His presence each day.

**Tue., Mar. 12** **Colleen Taylor, Retired**

Continued prayers for my niece, Julie. The cancer has spread into her pancreas. The doctors are trying to adjust her pain medicine so she can go home to her family.

**Wed., Mar. 13** **Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**

We live in a hurting world but we serve the GOD of peace - not as the world gives but peace that can never be taken away. Pray for HIS people in Haiti - may they keep their eyes on HIM and share GOD's love and hope with folk around them

**Thu., Mar.14 Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**  
Pray that God will provide the people and the resources needed for replacing the roof of the Estonian Nut House mini-retreat centre.

**Fri., Mar.15 "Brother Jim", Ireland**  
Pray that the Lord would give us wisdom here in Belfast to know how to share the gospel with international students who don't want to be seen as being inquirers into the Christian faith due to their fear of negative career impact in their home countries where Christians are discriminated against.

**Sat., Mar.16 Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment**  
Pray for 4VEH listeners today connecting via various media outlets such as radio, television, or social media. Pray that they will be encouraged, comforted, and know that their only hope is found in Christ. Thankful that God's Word will not return to Him void.

**Sun., Mar.17 Heidi Purvis, Finance**  
I pray that as we enter the Easter season we will feel the Lord's presence and know the true meaning of what Jesus has done for us, by saving us from our sins and taking our burden on himself at the cross. I pray that the Father's Love will be felt among all the missionaries at OMS Canada and that they will see the fruits of their labour.

**Mon., Mar.18 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**  
Pray for us as we lead a group of Taylor Students on a Spring Break trip to Brazil. We will doing English ministry in conjunction with a national church.

**Tue., Mar.19 P., Professional Overseas**  
Pray for our Asia regional team meetings March 20-22. Ask that God would give us unity as a team and clarity on how we can move ministry forward in Asia.

**Wed., Mar.20 Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**  
Pray for the mental and emotional health of international students. Some are homesick, many are lonely, and some suffer from depression. Pray for a support network, including Christians to help them.

**Thu., Mar.21 Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired**  
Wayne is having joint replacement surgery on his right knee. We appreciate prayers for a smooth recovery and rehabilitation process.

**Fri., Mar.22 Susie Heinrichs, Special Assignment**  
Pray for those who are hungry around the world. Pray that the Lord reveals himself to them and provides for them.

**Sat., Mar.23 Mark Kroes, Executive Director**  
Please pray for the connections Cameron has made at the various mission events so far this year. Pray to the Lord of the harvest to continue speaking to these folk about the need for harvesters.

**Sun., Mar.24 Stan Dyer, Retired**  
Lindsay Ohler, from the US, has been accepted for career missionary work in Japan. Please pray for her final 30% of support and more prayer partners as she hopes to be in Japan by early April to begin a very exciting ministry in Tokyo.

**Mon., Mar.25 Nathan Krampitz, Retired**  
Pray that Christians in India will be able to celebrate Easter peacefully without fear of harassment and persecution.

**Tue., Mar.26 R. Retired**  
Please pray for our men's prayer group and ladies' Bible study that we host in our home; that the Holy Spirit would greatly direct and influence our growth.

**Wed., Mar.27 Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**  
As many who don't usually attend church will go at Easter, pray that they will hear a clear message of God's love and offer of forgiveness and will respond to His call.

**Thu., Mar.28 Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting**  
As we remember the greatest sacrifice that Jesus made for all, let us cling to the wonderful HOPE that we have in Jesus. He is the Hope of the world!

**Fri., Mar.29 Flo Epp, Retired**  
What a glorious day it will be for new believers to celebrate Resurrection Sunday and realize anew that Jesus death was for our sins and His resurrection proof that He is God! Pray that there will be a great harvest of souls for the Kingdom this year around the world.

**Sat., Mar. 30 Pastors**  
Pray that pastors around the world will preach the Word faithfully and disciple their flock.

**Sun., Mar.31 Easter Sunday**  
Up from the grave He arose  
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes  
He arose a Victor from the dark domain  
And He lives forever with His saints to reign  
He arose! He arose!  
Hallelujah! Christ arose!  
-Daniel Thornton



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**Mon., Apr. 1**      **Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**  
Pray for the work on revising the Seminary's curriculum, that the new teaching plan would provide what is needed to train workers for God's Kingdom in Estonia.

**Tue., Apr. 2**      **Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment**  
Pray for lasting solutions to Haiti's complex political, economic, and gang-related crises.

**Wed., Apr. 3**      **Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**  
Please pray for the MFM cabinet meeting in Hamilton ON April 5 & 6. A dessert event will be held at Redeemer University on Friday, April 5. Please pray for God's wisdom through the meetings and an evening of encouragement and information to all those who attend or take part.

**Thu., Apr. 4**      **Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting**  
Please pray for the Mercy Kidz program in Haiti. Pray for the students, teachers, Pastors, and all of the administrative staff, as we work together towards the success of this program in all aspects.

**Fri., Apr. 5**      **Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**  
Please pray for the Canadian MFM meetings, that God's will would be at the center of everything we discuss and any plans we make. Also pray for the dessert banquet tonight, that lots come out to hear about the amazing things God is doing through the ministry of MFM Canada.

**Sat., Apr. 6**      **Flo Epp, Retired**  
Spring has arrived with all its blessings of flowering shrubs, blooming flowers, trees filling up with new leaves. These are reminders of God's faithfulness and goodness to each one of us. Pray that His Word will be fresh and new in our hearts as we study and share it with others.

**Sun., Apr. 7**      **"Brother Jim", Ireland**  
Pray for a good transition from working among international students in N. Ireland as I head to Taiwan in the Autumn.

**Mon., Apr. 8**      **Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**  
As warmer weather approaches, pray for good deep rains that will soak up the dry areas of our country and curb the threats of wildfires this season. Our area of northern Alberta is particularly dry - may we just keep trusting in HIM!

**Tue., Apr. 9**      **Susie Heinrichs, Special Assignment**  
Pray for favor and expediency as James and I submit our final permanent residency filings.

**Wed., Apr. 10**      **Nathan Krampitz, Retired**  
I thank God for my nurses and personal support workers. Pray that I will recognize opportunities to witness to them as they daily come to my apartment to serve me.

**Thu., Apr. 11**      **Heidi Purvis, Finance**  
I pray that God will soften the hearts of more people around the world to do the Lord's work under One Mission Society in the coming year and reach the many people who do not know the Lord yet. I pray that the good news of Jesus Christ will be known to more people around the globe and they will feel lead to spread the good news of the gospel.

**Fri., Apr. 12**      **Stan Dyer, Retired**  
Please pray as Stan Dyer visits a major seminary about a possible Chinese translation of his book, God Speaks Outside the Box. Our friend in this seminary is in charge of the Chinese department; pray for divine wisdom.

**Sat., Apr. 13**      **R., Retired**  
"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." Romans 12:12 Anti Christian and anti Semitic feelings are exploding around the world. Please pray that we would stand firm in the truth and that God increase our perseverance.

**Sun., Apr. 14**      **P., Professional Overseas**  
Pray for our two of our kids who are looking for work, that God would provide just the right employment opportunity.

**Mon. Apr. 15 Mark Kroes, Executive Director**  
Thank God for the staff members of OMS Canada. They work diligently and cheerfully to keep our missionaries on the field and compliant with government regulations. Carmen, Becky, and Heidi are blessings.

**Tue., Apr. 16 Helmut & Tina Markeli, Retired**  
Pray for peace and stability for the Asia-Oceania field as the newly elected President and House of Representatives take office. Pray for the protection of religious freedom.

**Wed., Apr. 17 Larry & Susan Weil, Washington**  
Pray for Susan as she participates in the Dynamic Women in Missions team to Mexico April 17 – 27. They will be facilitating the Seed Sower training material to three different groups of women in Mexico City and in two other areas. Pray for clear communication and that we would be full of humility and love as we work with these women. There are four women from the US on this team as well as Hilda from Mexico who will join us.

**Thu., Apr. 18 Colleen Taylor, Retired**  
Dr. Rodney, from Haiti's Bethesda Clinic, will be sharing in our Church during our Mission Weekend, April 19 to 21. Pray for travel arrangements, good communication, and for leadership in the clinic while he is away.

Every step in the progress of missions is directly traceable to prayer.

-Arthur T. Pierson

**Fri., Apr. 19 OMS Canada Board**  
Praise the Lord for the members of the board. Ask the Lord to direct to others that would be willing to serve, as well as guidance in following through on decisions made in the March meeting.

**Sat., Apr. 20 Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**  
Pray that students will long to know their purpose and the God who created them. That they will see beyond earthly success and seek opportunities to know Jesus as friend, Lord, and Saviour.

**Sun., Apr. 21 Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**  
Please pray as we are looking into potential ministry to wounded soldiers. Many have lost limbs, as well as there being much mental trauma. Some of us have been visiting and connecting with soldiers in the hospitals and some have come to our church. Pray for God to guide us to a specific, practical ministry to help with their wounds, as well as leading them to Jesus.

**Mon., Apr. 22 C., Professional Overseas**  
Please ask for guidance and blessings as we plan my wedding in June.

**Tue., Apr. 23 Maud McHardy, Retired**  
Pray for Maud's family to trust the Lord and live for Him each day.

**Wed., Apr. 24 Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired**  
Sherry continues to minister in her marriage and family therapy practice, and Wayne is involved in an English with Friends community group for new immigrants in our church. Pray for opportunities to build relationships that draw people to Jesus.

**Thu., Apr. 25 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**  
Pray for wisdom as we visit grandsons and plan future ministry trips.

**Fri., Apr. 26 Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**  
Please pray for the continued political unrest in Haiti. May God bring peace to that troubled nation.

**Sat., Apr. 27 Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**  
Churches and Christian workers around the world are preparing for summer outreach programs. Pray for adequate personnel and resources. May the Holy Spirit begin to soften the hearts of those who will be reached in these special ministries.

**Sun., Apr. 28 Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**  
Time for graduation of seminaries in Indonesia and Japan, to send their graduates out with the blessing of the Holy Spirit on each one.

**Mon., Apr. 29 Clara Heebner, Retired**  
Pray for Clara's caregivers, that they might minister with patience and love. May they know the Lord's provision and love for them.

**Tue., Apr. 30 Constituents**  
We praise the Lord for those who are part of the OMS Canada family through their prayers and giving. May the Lord bless each one. Ask for Him to touch the hearts of others who will partner to reach the lost, through giving, praying, and going.

Untold millions are still untold.

-John Wesley