



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>This month's prayer calendar is sponsored by:</p> <p>The Sam Weaver Family in memory of Sarah</p>		<p>"He was despised and rejected—a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief. We turned our backs on him and looked the other way. He was despised, and we did not care. Yet it was our weaknesses he carried; it was our sorrows that weighed him down. And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins! —Isaiah 53:3-4 (NLT)</p>		<p>Today, the Mark and Sarah Schoenhals family travels back to their home in Det Udom, Thailand. Pray for a safe journey and for the transition back to living and working in-country after a year on home assignment in the U.S.</p>	<p>Lift up Lezha Academic Center students in Lezhë, Albania, who are finishing their midterm exams today. Pray also for the teachers as they connect with and inspire their students.</p>	<p>Join Shawn and Laura Green, serving in southern Italy, in asking for God's wisdom and direction in future projects, for the continued growth of new believers, and for God's financial provision in this term.</p>
<p>In the city in Western Asia where J. & M. W. serve, they have had the opportunity to walk and pray for their unreached extended neighborhood. Join them in praying that many house groups will spring forth.</p>	<p>Armando and Veronica Sanchez, church planters with Iglesia Shalom in Waynesboro, Va., request prayers for a young couple they are working with who are struggling in their marriage. Pray for God's restoration and healing.</p>	<p>Steve and Laura Campbell, serving in Podgorica, Montenegro, ask for prayer for wisdom as small groups are forming in the church, and for a new person to join the elder leadership team as Steve prepares to step down.</p>	<p>Steve Horst and Bethany Tobin and family fly back to Thailand today. Please pray for smooth travel. After a lengthy quarantine, the family will arrive back home in Nam Yuen after a year of unexpected absence. Pray for smooth reentry.</p>	<p>As tranSender Hannah Shultz celebrates her birthday today, pray for wisdom and deeper connections to be built as Bible classes with children from Enciende Una Luz and Esperanza de Vida transition from Zoom to meeting in-person outside.</p>	<p>This weekend, Guri i Themelit Church members and LAC staff are meeting for a Trauma Retreat on April 9-11 in Lezhë, Albania, with a Serbian couple as the retreat speakers. May it be an example of how God can bring people together, even from former warring nations.</p>	<p>Jason Wagner, serving as a chaplain at Rockingham-Harrisonburg Regional Jail, asks for prayer for those in the jail longing to see loved ones. Pray also that inmates will be able to have church and classes again soon.</p>
<p>The slum community in Southeast Asia where Yugo and Grace work needs more workers. Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up new workers to go. Also pray for no more flooding and that the rainy season will soon be over.</p>	<p>Pray for Raleigh* and Opal* as both of them celebrate their birthdays today. As they prepare to return to their home in North Africa, ask the Lord for open doors, for long-term visas, and for receptive hearts to the Good News. (*pseudonyms)</p>	<p>In the country in South Asia where Jacob and Hosanna serve, COVID cases have been rising. Pray that more people will get the vaccine, and for wisdom for Jacob and Hosanna to navigate any changes they should make.</p>	<p>Join Alfonso Alvarado in asking for prayers for a recently arrived immigrant family that has been attending his church, Iglesia Menonita Monte Moriah, in Lacey Spring, Va. Pray in particular for a stable home to live in.</p>	<p>Join transender Vicki Barnes, serving in college ministry at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, Va., in praying that the community of women that has formed on campus will continue to support one another through the summer and fall semester.</p>	<p>Remember the VMissions Board of Directors as they gather virtually today and tomorrow for their quarterly meeting. Ask the Lord for meaningful, Spirit-led sharing and discernment despite the virtual format.</p>	<p>Pray for God's wisdom and courage for Mike and Risha Metzler, church planters with Mosaic of Grace in Harrisonburg, Va., to share the gospel with words and actions. Pray for continued clarity for how to partner with God's mission in their neighborhood.</p>
<p>As he celebrates his birthday today, lift up church planter and pastor Armando Sanchez, serving with his wife Veronica at Iglesia Enciende Una Luz, Harrisonburg, Va., and Iglesia Shalom, Waynesboro, Va.</p>	<p>Lift up Norma Teles in her work at the Joshua Center, a preschool in Albania. Pray that each of the children attending will know that they are loved by God and will be able to share about God's love to their families.</p>	<p>Shawn and Laura Green, serving in Termoli, Italy, share that five persons are planning on being baptized this month. Praise God that between in-person and online streaming worship services, their church in Termoli, Italy, has had 90-100 regular attendees.</p>	<p>Juan José Lagos asks for prayers for Faustino and his family. After many months unemployed, they just launched their own taco food truck this month. Pray for God's provision and blessing over their business.</p>	<p>Today, Elena Buckwalter de Satalaya celebrates her birthday in Iquitos, Peru. Lift up Elena and her husband Freddy as they serve in children's and youth ministries with the Christian Mennonite Church of Peru.</p>	<p>Pray for M.W., serving in Western Asia, as she helps to improve her school's English Language Learning (ELL) assessment/placement process, and as she prepares to hand over her responsibilities to the new ELL teacher for next year.</p>	<p>Mount Clinton Mennonite Church is participating in the Open Table, a model that reaches out to people re-entering the community from incarceration. Pray that God will give them patience and wisdom as they learn to love their neighbors.</p>
<p>As the weather warms, pray that churches will find opportunities for Kids Club activities. Pray for wisdom and safety, and that kids will know that they are loved by Jesus.</p>	<p>Pray for those who are considering serving with VMissions. Ask God to provide a clear call and path forward. Ask for support from family, friends, and church communities.</p>	<p>Pray for Norma Teles and the Joshua Center ministry in Lezhë, Albania. Ask God to bless and protect the Joshua Center children, and guide and inspire the mothers and girls who Norma regularly meets with.</p>	<p>Lift up the ministry of John David Thacker, serving as a church planter in Charleston, W. Va. Pray that he will meet "persons of peace" who are receptive to the gospel and open to following Jesus.</p>	<p>Lift up Dini Shahini as he celebrates his birthday today in Lezhë, Albania. Ask God to bless him in his next year of life with new insights and opportunities to share the Good News of Jesus with those he meets.</p>	<p>Pray for the children of VMissions workers. Pray for healthy and effective school routines, and for good friendships with other local kids. Pray that they will know and feel the love of their heavenly Father.</p>	