

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Pray for participants attending synod meetings from October 21 to 22 in Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta as they consider their role in overseeing the work of presbyteries and congregations within their bounds.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

Give thanks for churches responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action. Pray that students, and all Canadians, know this history and work for a new relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Canada.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

Pray for staff at the Jumla Clinic—a health facility in Nepal supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development—as they treat severe illnesses and provide vocational training.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

We pray for the Atlantic Mission Society presbyterials that gather together in homes and churches as they study together and work together to be good stewards of God's creation.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Please pray for the participants of the Middle East Study Tour as they travel this month to study the church-endorsed "KAIIROS Palestine Document" on Palestinian suffering.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

Pray for wisdom for participants at the meeting today in Winnipeg of the Synod of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, and for the host congregation of Westwood Presbyterian Church.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

We pray that each of the young people and youth leaders gathering this evening for the Senior High Retreat weekend at Camp Kintail experiences God's loving presence.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

We seek to remember in our prayers at this time Chaplain Bonita Mason, who serves as the senior chaplain in the headquarters of the 2nd Canadian Division of the Army and also as the Principal Protestant Chaplain to the Canadian Armed Forces.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Pray for the Women's Missionary Society groups who are taking leadership in Thankoffering Services and Mission Minutes this fall.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

We thank God for the leaders of children and youth programs who are sharing the good news of God's love by the example of their ministry.

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Presbyterian Prayer Partnership

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Pray for participants in the Ride for Refuge taking place today as they cycle in support of Presbyterian World Service & Development's life-saving maternal health program in Malawi and Afghanistan.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

We pray for campus ministries' chaplains and volunteers and the congregations that support these ministries that show God's love and care to young adults facing many stresses and challenges.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

As the Moderator, the Rev. Douglas Rollwage, returns tomorrow from Korea, we pray for the revitalization of our long time partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Korea.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Today, we hold Sisters in Spirit Vigils, a national initiative for the 1,200 missing and murdered Aboriginal women in Canada. Pray for those involved in the inquiry for missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. Pray that families and communities find justice and comfort.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

You are the God who calls us into service, to serve you and to respond to the needs of the broken and contrite heart. We pray for those who feel broken as a result of their service to their country. Help us to respond to their spiritual needs.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

Pray for the Rev. Jean Armstrong who serves as the convener of the Pastoral Relations Students Sub-committee for the Presbytery of Grey-Bruce-Maitland.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

As a new academic year begins, pray for Liza Titizian, a Syrian Armenian who is pursuing a Master of Divinity and Library Science degree at the Near East School of Theology in Beirut, Lebanon.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

Give thanks for the harvest season, and pray for those who do not have enough to eat.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

We pray for the members of synod that gather this month to discern the mind of Christ and build up the ministries under their care.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

On Thanksgiving Day, give thanks to those involved in the food production and service industries. Pray that all people can share in God's abundance and have nutritious food to eat.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

We pray for discernment for Canadian Ministries Grants Committee members when they meet this month to consider applications for ministry grants.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

Pray for village committees in India that are empowering vulnerable families to improve livelihoods, health and nutrition with support from Presbyterian World Service & Development.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

We lift up the Rev. Paul McLean as he resumes the translation of Taiwan's Tayal Bible which was first started by The Presbyterian Church in Canada missionaries Clare and Grace McGill in the 1950s.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

Pray for wisdom for participants at the meeting of the Synod of British Columbia and for the congregation of Richmond Presbyterian Church who is hosting the event.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Pray for those who are learning more about women in their own country and around the world through the studies in *Glad Tidings*. May it encourage them in their mission to others.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

On this World Food Day, pray for smallholder farmers suffering the effects of climate change and for the Presbyterian World Service & Development partners striving to end hunger.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

On this International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, Pray for all people who do not have enough healthy food, a safe home, or a community for fellowship. Pray that governments develop and continue programs to reduce poverty.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Pray for members of the Canadian Council of Churches Faith and Witness Commission who are meeting October 16 to 18 to discuss common themes between churches in Canada.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Pray for participants attending the meeting of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces from October 17 to 19 as they consider their role in overseeing the work of presbyteries and congregations within its bounds.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

Pray for the Committee to Nominate as it carries out the important work today of recommending people to serve on various committees, boards and councils of the church.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

Pray for leaders of the theological colleges and denominational staff as they meet together in Montreal.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Today, on National Housing Day, pray that all Canadians have access to safe and affordable housing.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Pray for the Presbyterian Woman of Faith Awards Committee as they receive and consider all nominations for the 2017 presentation of the Woman of Faith Awards.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Celebrate in prayer farmers in Malawi who have seen their crops flourish despite changing weather patterns because of a Presbyterian World Service & Development sustainable farming project.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Women in India continue to face inequity and violence. On this day, the International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women, pray for peace and security through movements which seek to eliminate discrimination against women in laws and practice.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Give thanks for the Church Council on Justice and Corrections. This week, November 20 to 27, is Restorative Justice Week and the theme is Inspiring Innovation. Pray for all people involved in the ministry of restorative justice.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

During this season of Advent we pray for Chaplains who are completing their training to serve in the Canadian Armed Forces. Help them to serve according to the model of ministering to their own, facilitating the worship of others and caring for all.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

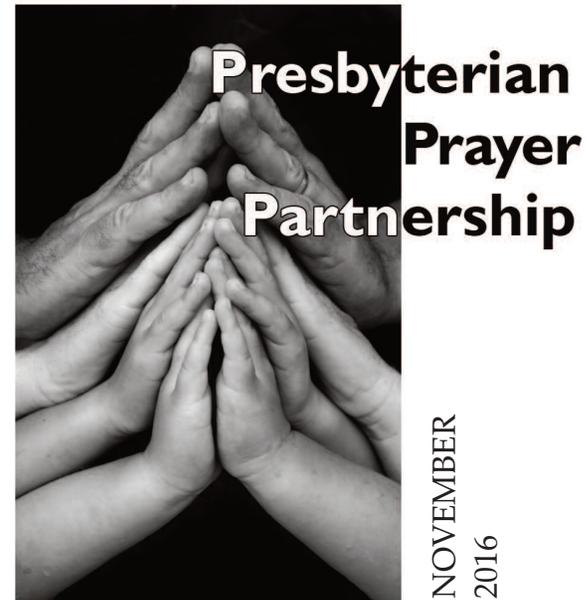
Pray for the Rev. Mwawi Chilongozi, a Master of Theology student from Malawi studying at the Stellenbosch University in South Africa, as she finishes writing her thesis before the December 1 deadline.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Pray for clerks of session that they may provide wise and gracious Christian leadership.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Pray for church music directors, choirs and musicians during the Advent and Christmas season.



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Pray for participants of Canada Youth 2016 this past summer as they try to stay in touch with friends they met there and share the experience with people in their home congregations.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Pray for wisdom and discernment for mission committees of presbyteries as they encourage and support new ministry initiatives of congregations.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Pray for the members of the Committee on Education and Reception as they meet on November 3 and 4 with the candidates who have applied to be ministers in The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Give thanks for the Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives (KAIROS) and its eleven member churches that are responding to the biblical call to do justice.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

We pray for all the life-members and honorary Presidents of the Atlantic Mission Society who have been faithful members and workers in the Atlantic Mission Society.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

In Christ you call us into service. We pray for those who serve our country at the highest levels and are responsible for the lives of many others, we pray for our Chief of Defence Staff, General Jonathan Vance and our Minister of Defence, Mr. Harjit Sajjan.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Pray for our friends in the Christian Reformed Church as we meet together on November 7 in a dialogue gathering.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Pray for those who are preaching at The Presbyterian Women's Gathering in May 2017 as they continue to reflect on their scripture passages.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Pray for young people who are considering applying for Youth in Mission trips in 2017. Pray that their experiences will be transformative.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Pray for the Rev. Doug Maxwell who serves as the convener of the Ministry Committee for the Presbytery of Central Alberta.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

O lord of the living, as many gather at Cenotaphs and offer memorials during Remembrance Day, we add our voices to their prayers. We offer you our thanks for their sacrifice and we remember in our prayers those that still serve this country today.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Pray for dedicated social workers in Haiti who—with support from Presbyterian World Service & Development—are helping victims of sexual violence seek legal justice.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

We pray for all seniors, ill and well, in hospital and at home, waiting to either get home or in a facility.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

We pray for the leaders and participants of Bible study groups who gather to listen to scripture and reflect on its meaning for living faithfully in today's world.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Pray for those who serve as mentors to candidates preparing for ministries within The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

From November 16 to 18, pray for the Governing Board of the Canadian Council of Churches that represents over eighty per cent of Christians in Canada.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Pray for the Women's Missionary Society Council Executive who are gathering November 16 and 17 to make decisions for the whole society. Bless their work of hands and minds.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

We give thanks for the many people who organize annual Christmas fundraising events that provide fellowship within our churches, outreach to our neighbours and raise funds to further God's realm.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

We pray for the members of the advisory committees of the department of the Life & Mission Agency.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

On this day, Universal Children's Day, pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported caregivers in Malawi who are ensuring orphans have a safe environment in which to play, learn and access healthcare services.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Pray for the Assembly Council who is meeting November 20 to 22 at Crieff Hills Conference Centre and beginning the work to support our church's strategic plan.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

This Christmas, pray for peace on earth and for Presbyterian World Service & Development partners assisting Syrian communities faced with the horrifying consequences of war.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

Pray for children, youth and families all over the world who don't know hope, peace, joy or love this time of year.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

Prince of Peace, as we await your coming, may we be awoken to the suffering around us. May we work to see you in everyone we meet.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

We give thanks during this Christmas season for our many blessings: friends, family, homes and the plenty we enjoy each day.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26

O God of life and hope, we pray for our military chaplains who are deployed with our men and women during this season of celebration and hope, may they be able to be bearers of life, hope and joy to those who are far from home and may also feel far from these realities.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

We pray for the congregations and ministries that are under the care of the Presbyteries of Peace River, Edmonton-Lakeland and Central Alberta.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Pray for those in the Order of Diaconal Ministries who are called to serve the church in areas of Christian education, pastoral care and social ministries.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

Pray for the volunteers who are working on the National Presbyterian Women's Gathering registrations. We give thanks for their service.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30

Thank God for financial and prayer support received from congregations for *Presbyterians Sharing* in 2016.

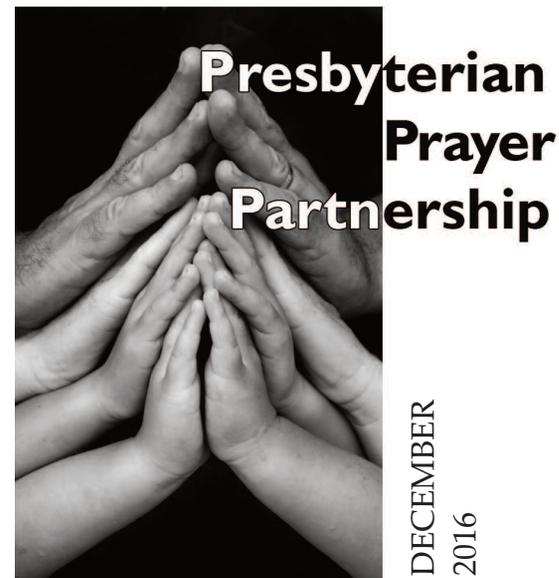
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

We give thanks for Denise van Wissen's many years of mission work in Nicaragua which ends on December 31 and pray for God's blessings as she continues to work with World Renew.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

Today is World AIDS Day. Please pray for the millions of people affected by HIV and AIDS, and for the work of Presbyterian World Service & Development that is providing vital emotional support to those living with HIV.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

Give thanks that every person is made in the image of God. Celebrate that every person has unique gifts and abilities that help build God's kingdom.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

On this International Day of Persons With Disabilities, please pray for people living with disabilities in Malawi who are finding love and a sense of community at Presbyterian World Service & Development's Tidzalerana Club.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Take time during the consumer-driven Christmas rush to think about and be thankful for what it means to have “enough”.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

Pray for the Continuing Education Grants Committee which meets this month at church offices.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Today is the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. God, give strength and endurance to congregations and ministries reaching out to victims of violence and advocating for systemic changes and gender equality.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

We pray for regional staff working in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Ontario.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

We pray that this Advent our church services, programs and events will touch the lives of people in our communities, revealing God’s love through the gift of Jesus.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

Give thanks in prayer for a Presbyterian World Service & Development project that is promoting leadership among Indigenous women in Guatemala through training in small business development.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

Today, on Human Rights Day, pray for courageous individuals and organizations defending human rights around the world.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

Pray for parents raising small children and working full time, that they might find time and patience to make family connections.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

Pray for the Rev. Susan Mattinson who serves as the clerk of presbytery and the acting convener of the Student/Ministry Committee for the Presbytery of Superior.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

We pray for all those whose lives have been devastated by disease, fire, floods or wars. We pray for those who care for them and put themselves daily in danger.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Pray for congregational mission teams that are preparing to travel overseas in 2017. Pray for strength and guidance as they plan their experience.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

Pray for strength and vision for presbyteries where there are more vacant pastoral charges than ministers to support them.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

God, be present with people experiencing their first Christmas and winter in Canada; guide us to share God’s love with these newcomers by loving words and acts of support.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

Grant insight and wisdom to Rorisang Kim, a development studies intern, as she partners with the *Asociación Maya-Mam de Investigación y Desarrollo* to empower Guatemalan women.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

On this day, International Migrants’ Day, pray for organizations and individuals working for the humane treatment of migrant workers and members of their families. Pray for the safe and just treatment of foreign temporary workers in Canada.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

In the season of Advent, we pray for peace and remember our brothers and sisters living in the Holy Land.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Pray for our mission partners all across the globe that this Christmas is a joyful time to celebrate with family and friends.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

O Gracious and Loving God, as many families will gather to celebrate during the season of Christmas, we remember in our prayers our soldiers, sailors and air crews who may be far from home at this time.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

Pray for the leaders of the Korean Christian Church in Japan, as they respond to the increase in hate speech and discrimination of minorities, by establishing a Minority Mission Centre in Tokyo.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

We pray for congregations seeking knowledge and resources so they can offer facilities, services and programs that are accessible to people with a range of abilities.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

Pray for the Rev. Lydia MacKinnon who serves as the convener of Ministry Committee for the Presbytery of Cape Breton.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Pray for coaches and mentors who provide guidance and support one-on-one with ministry leaders.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Pray for the treasurers of our congregations who work hard all year to keep the financial books in order.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

We pray for the congregations and ministries that are under the care of the Presbyteries of Cape Breton, Pictou and Halifax & Lunenburg.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

Celebrate in prayer for The Hub's first year of its website www.womenshub.ca. Celebrate the writers who have contributed and the women who have been faithful readers.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

We pray for Christian education leaders who are beginning to plan their congregation's 2017 vacation Bible school program.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

We offer you the name of Guy Chapdelaine who bears the responsibility and burden of being our Chaplain General in the Canadian Armed Forces, we pray that your Holy Spirit will continue to guide him in his calling to serve our country and our chaplains.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

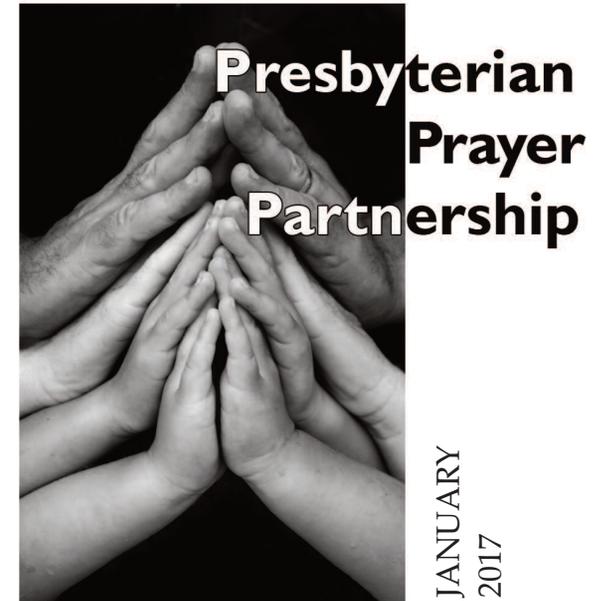
Pray that presbyterians across Canada will continue to faithfully support the ministries made possible through *Presbyterians Sharing*.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

As a new year begins, please pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development programs that are responding to poverty, hunger and emergency situations around the world.

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

Pray for those with low self-esteem, that they might realize their beauty and worth in the eyes of God.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

We pray for the congregations and ministries that are under the care of the Presbyteries of Montreal, Quebec and Seaway-Glengarry.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

Pray for theological students who are beginning their studies in January at our three presbyterian seminaries across Canada. May they be enriched and challenged through their studies.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

We remember Pakistan and our mission staff Dr. Bill and Mrs. Sheila McKelvie (Knox Spadina, Toronto) who are partnering with local churches and health organizations to battle tuberculosis and health issues.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

We pray for congregations holding special Epiphany services today. May they enjoy fellowship and renewal as they recall the story of the magi following the star to discover Jesus.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

Pray for congregations as they gather for their annual meetings.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

Pray for candidates for ministry who are back to school today for their next term at our theological colleges.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

Pray for Women's Missionary Society presbyterians as they evaluate the work of the past year and prepare for the new one.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

We pray that love will spread throughout the world, so that all people may live as Jesus taught in peace and harmony.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

Pray for the dedicated teachers at the Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Francisco Coll School, ensuring a quality education for underprivileged children in Guatemala.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

Pray for those discerning God's call to participate in the National Study Tours being offered in 2017.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

Pray for members of the International Affairs Committee as they meet January 12 to 13 to prepare the Committee's report to the 143rd General Assembly in 2017.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

Pray for the Stewardship & Planned Giving staff at our national office as they work to support and encourage congregations in their stewardship ministries.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

Pray for the staff and families participating in the Learning and Play program of Winnipeg Inner City Missions where new parenting skills are learned and lives are changed.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

Pray for Dr. David Pándy-Szekeres, mission staff in Ukraine, ministering to the Roma communities and the Reformed Church of the sub-Carpathian Ukraine schools.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

Pray for worship leaders who offer different times and styles of worship as part of their ministries of outreach and evangelism.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Pray for youth who are searching for truth and meaning in a society of selfish consumerism.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Pray for congregations committed not only to serving people in their community who are homeless and hungry during the winter months, but also advocating for changes to address homelessness.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

We pray for leaders and youth connected with The Presbyterian Young People's Society of the Synod of Central, Northeastern Ontario and Bermuda who are anticipating the fun and fellowship of the February Winter Weekend.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Celebrate in prayer women who are accessing loans to better meet their families' needs through Presbyterian World Service & Development's Building Sustainable Livelihoods program in Malawi.