

Prayer Guide for the week of February 9-15, 2025

Sunday - Our Families, Congregation and Community

Pray this week for the families represented in our church family. Pray for the young children to know the blessing of living in a home where they know they are loved by their parents and by loved by God before they were born. Pray for the pre-teens and teens who are pioneers in a world that would intrude on every aspect of their lives. Pray for the collegians and the young adults learning about the weight of life shaping decisions. Pray for the new parents who are overwhelmed by the big demands of tiny babies. Pray for the adult sons and daughters with difficult circumstances, with broken relationships, living as prodigals, or have major health concerns. Pray for parents who have limited contact with their children or grandchildren. Pray for parents who have lost children to death. Pray for God to help us to minister well to families in all of these circumstances. Pray we would share our stories and pray for one another. Pray we will pray faithfully for our covenant children, our communities, our small groups, our outreach, and our proclamation of truth. Pray we will praise God for his answers to our prayers and give him all the glory.

Monday - Our Supported Workers of the Week – Corinne Parsons serving with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) in Cookeville, TN

Pray for Corinne, an RUF intern at Tennessee Tech, as she seeks to reach young women for Christ and to equip them to serve as they learn what a life-long commitment to Christ looks like. Pray for her as she disciples individuals, leads Bible studies, and plans weekly events and conferences for the ministry. Pray for her as this is her last semester as an RUF intern. Pray for Corinne as she begins her Masters in Counseling at RTS in June and that her move to Jackson, Mississippi will be a smooth transition.

Tuesday – Our Essential Workers and First Responders

Pray this week for the Christian workers who work full time or serve as volunteer chaplains throughout our country. Pray for their work in the military, inside hospitals, with prisoners, among athletes, at schools and universities, comforting victims of disasters, supporting first responders, serving in businesses and offices, bringing comfort to hospices and residential care facilities. Pray for their wisdom and encouragement as they share God's love at times of great need. Pray for their reliance on biblical truth and their insight as they speak to groups and counsel one on one. Pray they would not be subject to harassment but would know that they are being prayed for as they pray for the people they serve.

Wednesday – Our Elected Leaders and Public Officials

Pray this week for the impact of the National Prayer Breakfast last week to remain with the guests who were there physically but without a true relationship with Christ. Pray they will be restless to learn what makes the believers they know approach life with faith in God's power and love for his children. Pray that those guests will be drawn into conversations with believers they got to know at the breakfast and ask them why they follow Jesus. Pray for God's mercy on our country and for revival to come to Washington, beginning with the men and women whose work is connected to government. Pray for new hearts and changed lives.

Thursday – Our Fellow Believers in Danger

Pray this week for Christians in India where organized persecution is growing as the Sangh Parivar, a consortium of Hindu extremist organizations united by a fascist ideology called Hindutva, seeks to make India a pure Hindu nation. Christians are suffering in both obvious and subtle ways. There is targeted violence by the Hindu extremists who are experts at organizing mobs and influencing local authorities to place blame for the damage and death that results on the Christians instead of the mobs. In just twenty years, extremists have taken control of the key institutions of the judiciary, the education, and the media. These institutions are now instruments of extremism rather than protectors and promoters of truth. Their most recent is to starve faith-based organizations of the ability to receive funds from abroad, with over 19,000 charities financially crippled. The Christian minorities in India now feel like they no longer belong in a land where they have lived for centuries. Pray God will give them strength to withstand their persecution and give them a heart for sharing the gospel fearlessly among the millions of Indians who now share the most populous nation in the world. Pray for God's victory over his enemies.

Unreached People Group - Hbrogpa Amdo in China: Pronounced, “DRUK-pah AHM-doe”, the Hbrogpa Amdo people number 743,000 in China. Their name is Tibetan and means “nomad.” Most people are herders working with sheep and goats. Their life is very challenging in China. Almost 50,000 people have died because of clashes with the Chinese and 121,982 have died from starvation. Pray for the Hbrogpa Amdo people. Pray that Christians will be able to care for their physical needs while also sharing the love of Jesus. The Hbrogpa Amdo people are Tibetan Buddhists, so please pray their eyes will be open to see the false hood of their religion. Pray that they will have a desire to seek the God of the Bible. The New Testament has been translated into their language, so pray that many people will be able to receive and read the Scriptures. Pray for peace among the Hbrogpa Amdo people group and the Chinese.

Friday – Our Local Ministry Partners: Pray for the ministry of **Queen City Pregnancy Resource Center**, an organization dedicated to women facing unplanned pregnancies that partners with the local church to serve her family, save her child, and share the gospel. Praise the Lord for the ways QC PRC is working in the lives of women and their families in the Charlotte area and beyond. Pray for the women who are making difficult decisions to give their babies up for adoption. Pray for continued financial support so the ministry can continue rescuing children from abortion and impacting families for eternity. Praise the Lord that (as of 12/31/24) they served their 1,320th client that year! Continue to pray for the staff and volunteers who are serving with the ministry.

Local Presbytery: Cross Creek Presbyterian Church – Fayetteville, NC – Pastor Michael Mock

Saturday - Our Servant Leaders

Continue this week to praise God for the ways he is opening doors for us to grow in ministry as a resource that reaches around the world. Praise him for our leaders who preach and teach on every continent, multiplying the opportunities for Christian workers to gain training. Praise him for ministry opportunities on our campus that allow us to host conferences, workshops, regional meetings, and retreats. Praise him for the ministries our congregation participates in as a valuable way to share God’s love and the good news of salvation with prisoners, with the homeless, with neighbors, with the elderly, with teens, with those with special needs, with refugees, and with families in crisis. Pray that our leaders, pastors, and staff will challenge us to pursue every opportunity to follow Christ wherever we may be called. Pray that God will receive all of the glory as he allows us to play a part in his ministry to his children.

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