

Prayer Partnership

Engaging in God's Mission Through Word and Action



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July – September 2026

Life in Christ involves prayer, the seeking of God's will and blessing on all of life. Prayer is openness to the presence of God. In words, or the absence of words, prayer is the focusing of our lives towards God.

— *Living Faith* 8.1.4

Praying for and with PCC congregations, committees, agencies, people and partners is one way of engaging in God's mission in the world and focusing our lives on God.

The prayers, mission and social action stories in the *Prayer Partnership* reflect the ministry of many bodies within The Presbyterian Church in Canada, including:

- Atlantic Mission Society
- Committee on Church Doctrine
- Committee on History
- Crieff Hills Board of Directors (previously Maclean Estate)
- Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee
- The General Assembly Office
- International Affairs Committee
- Knox College in Toronto, Ontario
- Life and Mission Agency
- Moderator of the General Assembly
- National Indigenous Ministries Council
- The Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives
- The Presbyterian College in Montreal, Quebec
- Vancouver School of Theology in British Columbia
- St. Andrew's Hall
- Women's Missionary Society

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Use the Prayer Partnership prayers and Mission Moments in your Sunday bulletin, newsletter, website, social media, etc. Word documents and slides for projection are available at: presbyterian.ca/worship/prayer-partnership

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Nuclear disarmament and peacemaking

In our current global climate, it is more critical than ever to work for a world free of the threat of nuclear weapons and to hold to the principle that Canada remain free of nuclear weapons. Advocating for global nuclear disarmament, while also supporting peacemaking efforts that strengthen bonds within and across community difference, builds communities where all God's creation can flourish.

Peacemaking is an intentional way of relating (to people and the earth) that centers mutual wellbeing. It works against injustice, oppression and anything that diminishes the integrity of God's creation. Nuclear weapons undermine that work. Catastrophic and indiscriminate, they are incompatible with any vision of a just peace. Words from a report adopted in 1983 by General Assembly remain apt: "no nation, including our own, has the right before God to resort to nuclear weapons, either offensively or defensively." (A&P 1983, pp. 373, 44).

Peacemaking advocates have worked for decades towards the negotiation of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (Ban Treaty), which passed in 2017 and came into force in 2021. Unfortunately, no NATO members, including Canada, support the Ban Treaty because NATO's strategy includes nuclear weapons. The Treaty's significance, however, lies in the audacious collective hope of people, including the 122 nations that supported the Ban Treaty for a world free of nuclear weapons. *Living Faith*, a subordinate standard of the church, states "We protest against the world arms race that diminishes our ability to fight hunger, ignorance, poverty and disease. We fear nuclear war and the devastation it would bring. We affirm that God is at work when people are ashamed of the inhumanity of war and work for peace with justice." (8.5.3) That work for peace with justice is no less important today than when *Living Faith* was written.

Reflection Questions

- The church has repeatedly spoken out against nuclear weapons and as recently as 2018 has advocated that Canada sign and ratify the Ban Treaty (A&P 2018, pp. 286-288, 22). Why do you think the church has taken this position? What do you think about the quote from *Living Faith* tying the arms race to the diminished collective ability to fight the kinds of things feeding conflict (like "hunger, ignorance, poverty and disease")?

- What aspects of peacemaking and justice work are most critical in your community and what can you and your church do to support them? A recent study guide, "Peacemaking: a reflective resource" is available online at presbyterian.ca/justice/social-action/peacemaking, under "Educational Resources."

What can you do?

- Advocate with elected officials for peacemaking initiatives, including supporting the Ban Treaty. Template letters for the Ban Treaty and other topics are on the church's Advocacy webpage (presbyterian.ca/resources/advocacy) under "International Affairs."
- Support the work of faith-based peace organization, and church partner, Project Ploughshares (ploughshares.ca).



In Karkhola, India, 18-year-old Raunak Khatun experienced early difficulties. After her mother passed away, she was raised by her grandmother, but they were eventually forced out of their home when her father remarried. Without any support, they built a hut on government land, surviving by begging and farm work. Then Raunak learned about vocational training for out-of-school girls and enrolled in a tailoring course. When she finished it, she began sewing clothes for her village. However, she faced a major obstacle—she did not have her own sewing machine. The Karuna Project supported her to buy one. Raunak is now able to take care of herself and her grandmother. She is also training two other girls from her community, passing on the skills she learned. This project is supported by PWS&D through Duncan Hospital.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, June 28 We pray for all God's people working in faith formation—from churches to camps to campuses, communities, and beyond.

Monday, June 29 We give thanks for church treasurers who offer faithful stewardship of the gifts received for the work of ministry in their congregations.

Tuesday, June 30 We pray for Knox College and its new students who will be invited to register for program studies in early July, and for their continued discernment of God's call to equip and prepare for service.

Wednesday, July 1 (Canada Day) We pray that this land will be a just, equitable and welcoming country and that all those who form and keep our laws will carry out their responsibilities with wisdom, courage and mercy.

Thursday, July 2 We pray for staff and campers at Presbyterian Music Camp in Goderich, ON, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Friday, July 3 We pray for leaders in the Presbyterian-Reformed Church in Cuba as they minister among people suffering increasing daily hardships due to dire shortages of food, medicine, gas and electricity.

Saturday, July 4 We pray for participants who recently completed the online course, "Becoming Intercultural". May they feel supported and more equipped in their ministry within their diversifying congregations.

At 16, Ahmad Reza carries heavy responsibilities. Living in Bamyan, Afghanistan, he was orphaned by the loss of both parents, becoming the main support for his family. He cares for his two younger brothers and lives with his sister's



family, who also face extreme poverty. The winter months are particularly difficult as food becomes scarce. Overwhelmed by grief and financial pressure, Reza was forced to leave school. He now works as an apprentice at a garage to gain skills for his family's future. Relief came when Reza's family received three months of cash assistance through a winter cash-for-food program supported by PWS&D. "For the first time in months, the constant worry about our next meal has eased," he said. Reza hopes his training will soon allow him to support his family fully.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 5 We pray for camp staff and campers as they prepare for another season of fun and faith formation.

Monday, July 6 We pray for Mihye Park, Housing Manager of St. Andrew's Hall, who cares for students and provides hospitality. Mihye runs a Friday evening knitting group that welcomes undergraduates to develop a new skill and form deep relationships grounded in Christian love.

Tuesday, July 7 As 2SLGBTQI+ communities gather for Pride celebrations this summer, we give thanks for the organizers who plan these opportunities for advocacy, connection and fun.

Wednesday, July 8 We pray for those faithfully serving in rural and remote ministry settings and ask God to bless their tireless work amid isolation, great distances, and unique challenges.

Thursday, July 9 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Kintail in Goderich, ON, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Friday, July 10 We pray for our partners in Cuba, that God will keep guiding them and giving them strength despite the hardships they are enduring.

Saturday, July 11 We give thanks, loving God, for the Every Youth Empowered Project in Malawi, which is improving awareness of sexual and reproductive health and rights among adolescents and young people. May your love be poured out as project participants learn about and advocate for their rights, with PWS&D supporting them.

Thanks to a grant made possible through gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, Zion Presbyterian Church in Charlottetown, PEI has now added a modern elevator to their 113-year-old historic building. This new addition provides those with physical challenges access to the Doreen Gray Youth Centre and Sunday School classrooms located on the second floor. Additionally, the lower level of the building, where many meetings and dinners take place, has now become accessible to the many seniors who have, until now, missed out on many congregational events because they could not navigate the stairs. This welcome upgrade has revitalized Zion Church's social, educational, and community programs, ensuring all members can engage more fully.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 12 We pray for students and faculty at The Presbyterian College, Montreal who are managing health concerns, and those who are grieving significant loss in their lives. May they find comfort in community and in their faith.

Monday, July 13 We pray that the Holy Spirit may gently prepare the hearts and minds of the participants anticipating Collective 2026, making their thoughts clear and their hearts open.

Tuesday, July 14 We pray for staff and campers at Huron Feathers Centre in Sauble Beach, Ontario, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Wednesday, July 15 We pray for families and communities facing regional flooding and forest fires this season. We give thanks for emergency responders and front line workers addressing environmental crises and supporting impacted families and communities.

Thursday, July 16 We pray that our interfaith connections will foster peace, and that we will learn to see God's presence in our neighbours.

Friday, July 17 We pray for the Change Leadership Team as it solicits and integrates advice about its work from leaders across the church.

Saturday, July 18 We pray that we might offer all we have and all we are in joyful service as stewards of God's grace.

PCC mission staff, the Rev. Lora Nafziger plays a vital role supporting expatriate United Mission to Nepal (UMN) staff and their families. The UMN is a faith-based international NGO with over 500 staff. Most are Nepali. Approximately 44 are expatriate staff who work as medical professionals and advisory staff for



projects. Expatriate staff currently come from 8 different countries and about 11 denominational groups. Lora helps these mission staff and their families transition to life in Nepal and then offers them ongoing spiritual care and support. Lora brings to her work as Staff Care and Counselling Adviser her background as a clinical social worker and pastor, as well as her own rich ecumenical experience. Your gifts to Presbyterians Sharing make this important work possible.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 19 We pray for Lora Nafziger, serving with United Mission to Nepal. May her spirit be renewed and encouraged as she visits family and congregations in Canada this summer.

Monday, July 20 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Christopher, Christopher Lake, SK, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Tuesday, July 21 We pray that in a season of rest and quiet, students will hear your summons to education and formation to serve the Church of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit to the glory of God.

Wednesday, July 22 We pray for the safety, rejuvenation and enjoyment of all children during this time of summer vacation.

Thursday, July 23 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Cape Breton.

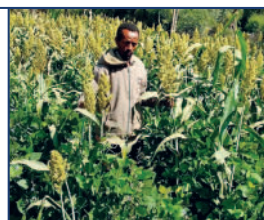
Friday, July 24 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Kannawin in Sylvan Lake, AB, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Saturday, July 25 We pray for the Board of Directors at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre, that their meetings are filled with clear vision, faithful discernment and joyful conversation.

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, July 26

Conflict can continue to destabilize lives, even after the fighting ends. After the Tigray peace agreement in Ethiopia, communities felt relief from violence, but many families still struggle. The two-year conflict caused food shortages. Ato, a farmer, lost all his household assets in the war, and his family ate once daily. Things changed when Ato's family participated in an agriculture and livelihoods program where he received training, seeds, goats and hand tools. Equipped with new knowledge and supplies, Ato was able to resume his work. Now he is growing healthy food for his household. The family's two goats had four kids, one of which the family sold to cover financial gaps. This program was supported by PWS&D and Canadian Foodgrains Bank, in collaboration with Tearfund.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 26 We pray for a wonderful celebration at Mistawasis Presbyterian Church as they celebrate 150 years of ministry together.

Monday, July 27 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Douglas, Roberts Lake, BC, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Tuesday, July 28 We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us as we seek to understand and proclaim God's truth in ways that are faithful to Scripture and relevant to our time.

Wednesday, July 29 Lord, we praise you for church schools that have raised funds for PWS&D's development projects in the past 75-plus years, and ask that you inspire church school leaders and all people to respond to Christ's call to serve those in need.

Thursday, July 30 (World Day Against Trafficking in People) We pray for safety and healing for victims of human trafficking, for human rights advocates working to end all forms of slavery and for those working to protect vulnerable people.

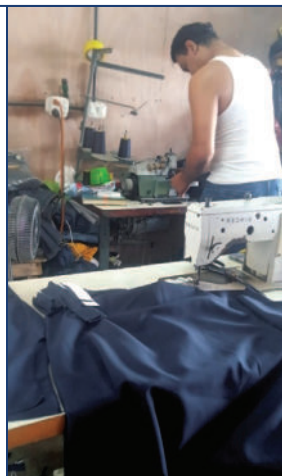
Friday, July 31 We pray for staff and campers at Camp VIP in Nanaimo, BC, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Saturday, August 1 (Emancipation Day) Help us to remember and maintain the freedom of all people, especially those who do not share our culture, language, religious beliefs or country of origin.

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, August 2

When someone has a stable career they are less likely to move from their place of origin to seek work. That was the case for Eliezer Israel Cortez, a 24-year-old in Nicaragua, who participated in an entrepreneurial skills initiative supported by PWS&D and its partner, INPRHU. Previously, Eliezer repaired clothing with his mother, who taught him how to sew. However, he aspired to be more than a tailor, which pushed him to develop a strong branding strategy focused on personalization and quality. Today, at Israel Tailoring, he designs, makes and sells garments tailored to his customers' preferences. Participating in the entrepreneurial skills program transformed Eliezer's life. No longer at risk of migrating in search of work, he is now well-placed to earn an income from clothes of his own design.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 2 We pray for clergy who are enjoying a time of spiritual renewal.

Monday, August 3 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Geddie in Merigomish, NS, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Tuesday, August 4 We pray for WMS members and the church and ask for God's guidance as we seek to love our neighbours as ourselves.

Wednesday, August 5 We pray for students of The Presbyterian College, Montreal who are serving in summer placements. May these be rewarding experiences for them and the communities that they serve.

Thursday, August 6 (Anniversary: 1945 Bombing of Hiroshima)
We pray for peacemakers working for a world free of nuclear weapons.

Friday, August 7 We pray for the Rev. Dr. Mark Glanville as he leads the Centre for Missional Leadership team, including their Guder Retreat Program for ministers, in early August at St. Andrew's Hall.

Saturday, August 8 We pray that international young adults attending Collective, the PCC's youth conference, will be warmly welcomed, blessed by new friendships, and return home with a strong sense of our unity in Christ.

Abena Asabiliga, a 46-year-old woman from Sumaduri in the Garu District of Northern Ghana, became physically impaired in infancy due to polio. Because of stigma,



discrimination and her family's poverty, she lived an isolated and difficult life. After being identified in a community survey by community-based rehabilitation staff working for the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, her family and community received sensitization on disability rights, which helped reduce negative attitudes. With support from PWS&D, Abena received a tricycle for mobility, business skills training and start-up capital. She now sells snacks near a school and earns a living. She said, "My life has changed, and I can now move independently with the use of the tricycle that was provided to me. I am so grateful."

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 9 (International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples)

We honour and give thanks for the unique and diverse languages, cultures, knowledge and governance systems of Indigenous peoples around the world.

Monday, August 10 We pray for the health and wellbeing of staff and volunteers of the National Indigenous Ministries Council ministries and the people and communities they walk with and serve.

Tuesday, August 11 We pray for staff and campers at Camp MacLeod in Albert Bridge, NS, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Wednesday, August 12 (Opening day of Collective 2026) Lord, bless all who gather at Collective 2026 with curiosity, joy, and a deep sense of your presence.

Thursday, August 13 For the generous hospitality offered by the staff at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre 365 days a year, we give thanks.

Friday, August 14 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Kingston.

Saturday, August 15 We pray for the staff and faculty at Knox College who serve with dedication and care. May God grant them wisdom in their ministries, patience in their guidance, and joy in their calling.

Each year, with support from Presbyterians Sharing through Regional Resourcing Grants, the Presbytery of Vancouver Island hosts a retreat that nurtures faith, friendship, and renewal for women. Participants, ranging in age from 19 to 83, reflect the rich diversity of generations growing together in Christ. Through shared worship, meaningful conversations, and engaging activities, participants from across the island deepen their spiritual practices and support one another in their journeys of faith. Guided by inspiring guest speakers and rooted in community, the retreat provides a space to listen, learn, and grow, leaving every participant refreshed, strengthened, and more deeply connected in heart and spirit.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 16 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Keir in Bonshaw, PEI, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Monday, August 17 Please pray for the Change Leadership Team as it continues to seek guidance from the Holy Spirit in fulfilling its mandate from the denomination.

Tuesday, August 18 We give thanks for children in our care. May God guide us to bring them up in the faith, with patience, wisdom and grace to know the love of Jesus that calls us to love one another.

Wednesday, August 19 (World Humanitarian Day) We pray for courageous aid workers and give thanks for those who deliver important aid and serve communities affected by crises.

Thursday, August 20 We pray for staff and campers at Gracefield Christian Camp and Retreat in Gracefield, QC, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Friday, August 21 We pray for encouragement for families feeling stressed by the cost of back-to-school clothing and supplies.

Saturday, August 22 We pray for the students who are anticipating beginning theological studies at The Presbyterian College, Montreal and ask that God will guide them as they study and prepare for ministry.

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, August 23

On World Humanitarian Day, we recognize and celebrate the efforts of humanitarian workers who provide life-saving assistance to millions of people affected by conflicts, natural disasters and other emergencies. Whatever their faith, they are the living examples of what Jesus asked us to do. We give thanks for PWS&D's

partners, who work tirelessly to ensure that essential food aid gets delivered, devastated communities are rebuilt and access to life-saving resources is within reach. Humanitarian workers play a crucial role in ensuring the welfare of vulnerable and marginalized people. Through collaborative efforts, we work together to build a sustainable, compassionate and just world. With daily reports of so many struggling around the world, let us take a moment today to honour these selfless advocates and offer unwavering support for their vital efforts.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 23 We pray for the Executive of the Atlantic Mission Society as they finalize plans for the annual meeting in September.

Monday, August 24 We give thanks to God that young women and men in Guatemala are learning how to stand up against gender-based violence. We pray for PWS&D's partner AMMID and their staff as they work for women's empowerment.

Tuesday, August 25 We pray for staff and campers at Camp d'action biblique in Richmond, QC, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Wednesday, August 26 We pray for the members and work of the Gender, Sexuality and Inclusion Advisory Committee.

Thursday, August 27 We pray for the courage to seek justice where it is denied.

Friday, August 28 We pray for staff and campers at Cairn Family of Camps in Baysville, ON, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Saturday, August 29 We pray for those who visit the Presbyterian Church Heritage Centre in Carlisle, ON. May they be encouraged and inspired by their encounter with the rich legacy of faith present within The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Central Presbyterian Church in Hamilton, Ontario, continues its strong tradition of community outreach and vibrant music ministry. Situated in an urban neighbourhood with affordable housing projects, lower-income families, seniors, and many children, the church recognizes that ticketed events are often financially inaccessible. In response, Central offers high-quality, inclusive musical programming that is open to all, welcoming neighbours regardless of circumstance. In partnership with other downtown churches, the congregation also leads Hamilton Out of the Cold, providing a warm, welcoming space, meaningful connection, and hot meals for individuals experiencing hunger, isolation, and hardship in the community.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 30 We pray for ministers and church workers who are returning from much-needed vacations. May they be re-energized for Christ's service.

Monday, August 31 (International Day for People of African Descent)

We honour and give thanks for the gifts and contributions of people of African descent in our church and across Canada.

Tuesday, September 1 (Labour Day) We pray for presbyteries as they gather after a summer respite to continue caring for congregations and ministers and for their clerks and moderators as they prepare to offer leadership.

Wednesday, September 2 We pray that God will sustain and inspire Christian educators as they accompany and nurture God's beloved children in a complex world.

Thursday, September 3 We pray for Palestinian Christians who worship and pray in the context of apartheid and genocide.

Friday, September 4 We pray for groups and members of the Women's Missionary Society as they continue to serve the mission of the Church.

Saturday, September 5 We pray for God's church, that it may be wise, brave and diligent in seeking out those gifted to serve and provide an outward call through affirmation.

MISSION MOMENT **Sunday, September 6**

Children living at Samuel House as well as some disadvantaged local children in Micske, Romania, play, study and enjoy nutritious meals together in a loving family-like Christian environment. They celebrate their birthdays and Christian holidays and in the summer attend summer camp. Without state support, Samuel



House depends on domestic and international donations and this is where your gifts to Presbyterians Sharing come in. Csilla Bertalan, Director of Samuel House, writes, "Thank you for holding the children in our care in your prayers. And thank you for sharing your resources with us so that they may live their lives in fullness."

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 6 We pray for Samuel House in Micske, Romania, a safe place where disadvantaged children come to play, study, eat nutritious meals and receive Christian care.

Monday, September 7 We pray that God will help us grapple faithfully with questions of suffering, autonomy, and the sanctity of life, without losing sight of our call to accompany one another in love.

Tuesday, September 8 (World Literacy Day) We give thanks that girls in Sindh province, Pakistan, are able to go to school, stay in class, learn and build brighter futures through education, with the help of daily meals provided at school through a PWS&D-supported program.

Wednesday, September 9 We pray for the Change Leadership Team as it considers possibilities for revitalizing the structures of the denomination to better enable vibrant and Christ-led mission.

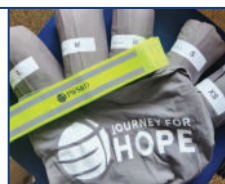
Thursday, September 10 We give thanks for the wisdom of Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers who walk with and support the ministries of the National Indigenous Ministries Council, and the people they serve.

Friday, September 11 We give thanks to God for those whose friendship, companionship and care are signs of God's never-failing love in times of sorrow.

Saturday, September 12 We pray for Knox College students, both new and returning, as they embark on the Fall 2026 semester. May they find wisdom in their studies, friendship in their communities, and may they be shaped for lives of purpose and service.

MISSION MOMENT **Sunday, September 13**

Although today's global food production is sufficient to feed everyone on the planet, hunger continues to rise in too many parts of the world. If current trends continue, around 512 million people may still be chronically undernourished in 2030. This September, join PWS&D's annual Journey for Hope—a fundraiser where PWS&D's supporters gear up and walk, run, ride or do another activity they love to raise money for vital food security work around the world. Your participation in and support for Journey for Hope enables PWS&D to actively respond to hunger through food security projects in places like Haiti, Guatemala and Malawi. Funds also help provide emergency food assistance in extremely vulnerable countries, including Afghanistan, Yemen, Syria, Somalia, South Sudan and Ethiopia. Thank you for participating and making a difference!



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 13 We pray for the children and leaders who are returning to regular Sunday school classes after the summer break.

Monday, September 14 We pray for awareness and access to records of the PCC, and that they will continue to be preserved, consulted, and shared. May they provide an understanding of the denomination's past and provide clarity to guide decisions of the future.

Tuesday, September 15 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Kootenay.

Wednesday, September 16 We lift up our remote congregations, asking for God's guidance as they seek faithful leadership to shepherd them.

Thursday, September 17 We pray for those attending the annual meeting of the Atlantic Mission Society in New Glasgow, NS, from September 18th–20th. May this be a time of learning, sharing and renewal.

Friday, September 18 We pray for all who have joined the Intercultural Church Cohort Pilot Program, that their imagination for intercultural ministry may expand and deepen. We pray that participants will bless and enrich one another in their learning communities.

Saturday, September 19 We give thanks for the guidance and advice of members of the National Indigenous Ministries Council as they work with different groups in the church seeking to support our commitments to truth, healing and reconciliation.

MISSION MOMENT **Sunday, September 20**

Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing bring hope and transformation to vulnerable people and communities in Canada and internationally.



Together, we support the PCC's efforts of confession, truth and reconciliation with Indigenous people. We equip congregations and leaders through resources and webinars and connect Presbyterians across the country through the Presbyterian Connection newspaper. We equip ministers through PCC theological colleges and help congregations discern God's call and create a plan for their future through renewal programs. We live out the biblical call to seek justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God. Together, we are making mission and ministry happen!

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 20 We pray for congregations whose faithful and generous gifts to Presbyterians Sharing weave together a tapestry of mission and ministry that stretches across the church and around the world.

Monday, September 21 (International Day of Prayer for Peace)

Today we pray for those affected by war and instability in places such as Sudan and South Sudan, Gaza, Iran, the wider Middle East and many more. We pray that leaders choose dialogue over violence so that peace can prevail.

Tuesday, September 22 (Gender Equality Week – 4th week of Sept.)

During Gender Equality Week, we give thanks for women's leadership in ministry and commit to the ongoing work of addressing all gender-based oppression in the church and society.

Wednesday, September 23 We pray for Rev. Sumarme Goble, Chaplain at St. Andrew's Hall, as she works to share and show the gospel representing The Presbyterian Church in Canada through the UBC Inter-Faith Chaplaincy.

Thursday, September 24 We pray for the members and guests of the Canadian Society of Presbyterian History as they gather for their annual meeting at Knox College this week.

Friday, September 25 As summer turns to fall, we delight in a season of abundant harvest on the farm at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre.

Saturday, September 26 (International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons) We give thanks for peacemaking organizations, such as church partner Project Ploughshares, that work for justice, peace, and a world free of nuclear weapons.

MISSION MOMENT **Sunday, September 27**

International Day of Peace is a worldwide event celebrated annually on September 21. Established by the United Nations in 1981, it provides a chance for individuals, groups and nations to reflect on and take action to promote peace within their communities. Today, peace feels elusive as we bear witness to conflicts and emergencies in Iran, Sudan, Gaza, Haiti, Yemen and elsewhere. Yet, even in the darkest times, inspired by our faith, we find hope in the efforts to bring relief. PWS&D is dedicated to promoting peace by delivering lifesaving aid to those affected by conflict around the world and by engaging in advocacy to decry injustices. As we observe this day, let us reflect on Jesus' words: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" (Matthew 5:9).



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 27 We pray for Vancouver School of Theology, that it may bear witness to the gospel of reconciliation for the world God loves.

Monday, September 28 We pray for the alumni community of Knox College. May they continue to grow in faith, wisdom, and service and may God bless them and guide them in their ongoing ministries.

Tuesday, September 29 We pray for educational programs and materials shared across traditions, that they will sow seeds of justice, kindness and shared understanding.

Wednesday, September 30 (National Day for Truth and Reconciliation/ Orange Shirt Day) We pray for the healing and wholeness of people impacted by the legacy of residential schools. We give thanks for Indigenous Elders, leaders and Knowledge Keepers working for healing and wellness in their families and nations.

Looking for more information?

The Social Action Hub on the PCC website is an ongoing project that provides study guides, advocacy tools, liturgies and other resources to help individuals and congregations discern and live out the biblical call to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God (Micah 6:8). Organized thematically, you will find positions and actions the church has taken, as well as links to letters, reports and resources it has produced. Visit presbyterian.ca/social-action.



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