

PRAYER GUIDE

JUNE 2023

"[Christ] makes the whole body grow and build itself up in love. Under the control of Christ, each part of the body does its work. It supports the other parts. In that way, the body is joined and held together."
(Ephesians 4:16 NIRV)

1 June 4-10

"...He gave all these people so that they might prepare God's people to serve. Then the body Christ will be built up." (Ephesians 4:11-12 NIRV)

This passage follows Paul's reflection on the various gifts and roles that God has given people in the body of Christ. It is encouraging to know that each of us is called, in our own unique way, and God will give us strength.

Prayer Points

- Please pray for Belongathon (belongathon.ca) happening on June 10th across 16 locations throughout Ontario and Saskatchewan. May it be a meaningful time of coming together to spread awareness and raise support for people with developmental disabilities in Canada and around the world.
- Pray for peace and restoration in Haiti. Life continues to be difficult. Widespread gang violence has plagued Haiti for almost two years now years. Currently, gangs control about 80% of the nation.



2 June 11-17

"God's gifts of grace come in many forms. Each of you has received a gift in order to serve others. You should use it faithfully." (1 Peter 4:10 NIRV)

Two important biblical truths are packed in this verse: 1. Everybody been gifted by God. 2. The purpose of your gifts is to help others. May God help us to be faithful in using our gifts to serve God and one another.

Prayer Points

- Please pray for Host Family recruitment across our organization. May we continue find passionate host family providers in our communities. We look for people who are willing to open up their hearts and their homes to people seeking services with Christian Horizons in their home.
- Praise that schools in Haiti were able to start again in January. Concessions were made to allow kids back to school to play, learn, and grow together again. It is the only sense of normalcy in the lives of the children during these difficult days in Haiti.

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June 18–24

"If anyone speaks, they should do it as one speaking God's words. If anyone serves, they should do it with the strength God provides. Then in all things God will be praised..." (1 Peter 4:11 NIRV)

The key to unlocking a spiritual gift is figuring out ways to serve others in the name of Jesus. Once you discover this, do not be afraid to use it!

Prayer Points

- Please pray for the new "Community Connector" role that will be hired in the near future. This is a position that will work with people who access services and help to coordinate activities and connect folks to one another. COVID delayed our ability to start this role, so it's an exciting time to be starting back up again. The Community Connector will ensure the goals and interests of those supported are being explored and that they are given an opportunity to thrive!
- Please pray for the health, safety, and protection of our local partners in Haiti as they continue their work. We are grateful that they continue to "press on" through careful travel and creative contacts during this time when moving around in communities challenging.



"Instead, we will speak the truth in love. So we will grow up in every way to become the body of Christ. Christ is the head of the body."

(Ephesians 4:11–15 NIRV)

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June 25–July 1

"Each of us has one body with many parts. And the parts do not all have the same purpose..." (Romans 12:4–5 NIRV)

Jesus empowers different people to do different things. Everything Jesus empowers you to do is awesome! We praise Jesus by doing everything we can do for others and giving Jesus glory.

Prayer Points

- Please pray for the support location within West that had a fire in mid-May. All of the people supported, and staff are safe, but the home is not salvageable and will need to be rebuilt. This leaves many without a permanent home for a while, and prayers can be sought for how to support this devastating situation.
- We are grateful for Christian Horizons Global local and international volunteers. Their passion, commitment, and contributions have been essential in our development work. Please pray for the continued work of all volunteers, locally and abroad.

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