

week one:

## DECEMBER 2 - 8

### FOCUS: AN ORDINARY REVIVAL

Fred Rogers once said, "Imagine what our real neighborhoods would be like if each of us offered, as a matter of course, just one kind word to another person." The kind of revival needed in our neighbourhoods is not one where we all do "great" things, but "small things with great love" as Mother Teresa says. Small acts of friendship between people with and without disabilities. Small acts of reciprocity and helping one another out. These loving acts, practiced consistently, lead to communities where everybody belongs.

"He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."

~ Eph. 4:16, NIV

### PRAYER POINTS

- Give thanks for the many communities that people using Christian Horizons' service are a part of, and the potential for continued transformation of these neighbourhoods in countless ways.
- Pray that Christian Horizons will continue to learn the best ways to equip and empower people who experience disabilities to build strong and mutual relationships in their neighbourhoods.

*Feedback or requests?*

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This month's Prayer Guide highlights the work of Christian Horizons in Saskatchewan along with prayers for our church partnerships around the world.

PRAYER GUIDE

December 2018

"For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

~ Isaiah 9:6 (NLT)

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*week two:*

## DECEMBER 9 - 15

"I say to myself, "The Lord is my inheritance; therefore, I will hope in him!"

~ Mark 12:41-44 NLT

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**THOUGHT:** May all who enjoy gift giving and receiving throughout this holiday season be mindful of Christ, our inheritance and our everlasting source of hope.

### PRAYER POINTS

- Give thanks for God's blessing on the work of Christian Horizons in Saskatchewan, and its continued growth in the past years.
- We give thanks for the people who have moved into their new home on Park Street as well as those who will be living at 8<sup>th</sup> street in Regina. May they experience meaningful opportunities for belonging in their new communities.
- We are thankful for each of the people who use our services in Saskatchewan and their understanding and flexibility as changes occur.
- We pray for the hiring of leaders in Saskatchewan who are committed to the vision and ministry of Christian Horizons.

*week three:*

## DECEMBER 16 - 22

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the messenger who brings good news, the good news of peace and salvation, the news that the God of Israel reigns!" ~ Isaiah 52:7, NLT

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**THOUGHT:** May we serve as beautiful messengers, sharing God's peace and the hope of salvation with others through our daily lives and the work we do.

### PRAYER POINTS

- This month, we give thanks for the incredible partnerships that allow Christian Horizons' International and donor-funded work to thrive. In particular, we think of the many churches that make Christian Horizons' work a priority in their giving throughout the year.
- Praise God for Christian Horizons' partnership with the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus denomination in Ethiopia. In November, we conducted joint trainings with teachers to help include children with disabilities in inclusive classroom settings. Pray that these teachers continue to learn, and their students thrive in these settings.

*week four:*

## DECEMBER 23 - 29

"I long, yes, I faint with longing to enter the courts of the Lord. With my whole being, body and soul, I will shout joyfully to the living God."

~ Psalm 84:2, NIV

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**THOUGHT:** Whether the holidays are a source of joy or longing, God understands all of our emotions. The birth of Emmanuel – "God with us" – means that Jesus is and will be with us through whatever lies ahead.

### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for Maple City Baptist Church who are supporting a new community in Guatemala this month. May they be blessed through this partnership.
- Praise God for church partnerships with Christian Horizons across Ontario, Saskatchewan, and around the world. We pray for United Brethren in Christ churches in Canada, USA and Haiti who work together to support kids in Haiti.
- Pray for the Pointe Church in North Carolina. They will continue to fund projects in Guatemala and Ethiopia and will be visiting those places in 2019. We pray for safety on those trips and that they will be encouraged by the work that God is doing through their giving.