

*week one:*

## MARCH 3 – 9

### FOCUS: CHARITY LAW AND CORE VALUES

Since Christian Horizons was first founded as a Canadian charity, we have been committed to our faith-based mission and partnerships with churches and the larger Christian community. Our core values of valuing people, fostering belonging, serving others, and respecting gifts are one of the ways we seek to consistently display our dedication to these Christian faith roots in all that we do. We pray that we would continue to find new ways to express Christ's love for everyone we interact with, as we seek to be faithful to our Vision.

"Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains."

*~ Proverbs 27:17, GNB*

### PRAYER POINTS

- We are grateful for all of our church partners. We pray God's blessing on churches who are committed to the ongoing work of Christian Horizons Global in Haiti and in Guatemala. We are thankful for their faithful commitment to contribute much-needed resources. Give thanks for the work that we are able to accomplish together.
- Pray for the wisdom needed to develop a housing model that promotes community and self-directed supports in Ontario.

*Feedback or requests?*

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*In February, Chantal Huinink and Mark Wallace joined Woodland Christian High School to promote communities where everybody belongs!*

This month's Prayer Guide highlights the work of Christian Horizons in a variety of areas across Ontario and around the world, with a special emphasis on partner relationships.

# PRAYER GUIDE

"Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

*~ Hosea 6:3, NIV*

*week two:*

## MARCH 10 – 16

“How precious is your unfailing love, O God! All humanity finds shelter in the shadow of your wings.”

~ *Psalm 36:7b NLT*

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**THOUGHT:** In contrast to the cold and distant demeanor that many imagine God having, this illustrates the protective, intimate, warm and loving relationship that God desires with all people.

### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for the ongoing work of “Our Voice Matters” advocacy group in Central District, particularly as they mourn the sudden loss of Michelle, their friend and advocacy group leader.
- Pray for the Central District Team Leaders involved in a Team Leader position pilot. May they be blessed as pioneers in their roles. Pray also for wisdom needed to observe and evaluate the effectiveness of this new position.
- Thank God for many exciting new connections and partnerships being made within the affordable housing sector, with government representatives and like-minded agencies. May God bless each of these partners as we work together to turn potential models into solutions.

*week three:*

## MARCH 17 – 23

“Pour out your unfailing love on those who love you; give justice to those with honest hearts. Don’t let the proud trample me or the wicked push me around.” ~ *Psalm 36:10-11, NLT*

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**THOUGHT:** It is surprising that someone as powerful as King David was afraid of bullies and vulnerable to peer pressure. This is a reality regardless of status or ability. We can learn from David's example by being honest with God and enlisting his help to withstand bullies and peer pressure.

### PRAYER POINTS

- We praise God with the Central East District as they celebrate 14 successful moves/transitions in the Cobourg/Port Hope communities in 2018! People have chosen their housemates and are pleased to welcome friends and family in their new homes.
- Thank God for the ongoing years of service and dedication given to Central East District by Dr. Faye MacDonald. She has been instrumental in helping transitions to go smoothly.
- Pray for incoming volunteers who are committed to looking for meaningful ways to help people achieve their goals in Central East District.

*week four:*

## MARCH 24 – 30

“Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants.”

~ *Deuteronomy 32:2, NIV*

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**THOUGHT:** Our hearts can become hard from facing many struggles in our lives, like the ground after a long cold winter. This spring, may we allow God's teaching to seep into our lives afresh and his love to soften our hearts.

### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray God’s blessing on Cara and her fiancé, Matt, from Port Hope as they plan toward their marriage.
- Pray for health of people who are aging in the Stouffville Community, especially during the winter months.
- Pray for other people with complex support needs and goals in Central East District. May God grant wisdom to those who are helping people to achieve their goals and dreams.
- May God bless the development of new partnerships and opportunities in Kenya.
- Pray for the deepening of Christian Horizons Global partnership with *Ethiopian Evangelical Church, Mekane Yesus*.