

week one:

May 31 – June 6

REFLECTING ON RECOVERY

As we look ahead, there is much good to build on despite the challenges and difficulties. Continuing to prioritize safety, we pray for wisdom as people who use our services direct their support. May we continue to value people in a way that respects their autonomy while valuing their health and wellness.

“Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying.”

~ Romans 12:12, NLT

PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for the ways that so many Direct Support Professionals and people using Christian Horizons services are keeping well. May they continue to be in good health and may others who have gotten sick from COVID-19 fully recover.
- Give thanks for community support, donations, masks, and other provisions for people using Christian Horizons services and staff.
- Pray for strength and protection of people ministering to vulnerable communities internationally.

Feedback or requests?

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Above: Rudy and Sully deliver food, supplies and health info to a rural village in Guatemala.

This month's prayer guide highlights the work of Christian Horizons in Western Ontario communities and through Christian Horizons Global.

2020 PRAYER GUIDE

June

“Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should sing praises.”

~ James 5:13, NLT

week two:

June 7 - 13

“Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.”

~ *Philippians 4:8, NLT*

THOUGHT: Paul surely identified with the challenges many face in self-isolation, spending much of his life in prison or on house arrest. He reminds us to focus on the good within challenging circumstances. This may help us resist feeling overwhelmed by bad news or concerns about the future.

PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for the ongoing hard work, adaptability, and commitment demonstrated by Direct Support Professionals on a daily basis.
- We pray for wisdom for everyone who is supporting or supported by Christian Horizons. COVID-19 causes us to navigate challenges many would not have thought possible only months ago.
- On behalf of Christian Horizons Global, pray for people who are self-isolating with limited resources around the world. Pray for God’s provision.
- Lament with all those who are grieving the loss of their pre-COVID-19 ways of doing things. May God comfort us in our sorrows and restore our hope. May we trust God to reveal beauty and blessings within our new way of life.

week three:

June 14 - 20

“You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and they exist because you created what you pleased.”

~ *Revelation 4:11, NLT*

THOUGHT: Through celebrating festivals, God invites the Jews to remember and relive how God transforms negative circumstances, like captivity in Egypt into the promised land. We can also praise God because of his redemptive plans within COVID-19 even if we are not yet fully aware of them.

PRAYER POINTS

- May God inspire the wisdom and innovation of Christian Horizons leadership, employees, and people who experience disabilities and their families who work to build communities of belonging while maintaining physical distance because of COVID-19.
- On behalf of Christian Horizons Global, pray for water to be steadily available in Haiti and Ethiopia so that people can practice proper handwashing.
- We grieve with Christian Horizons West District teams and people supported who are grieving recent deaths in Kitchener-Waterloo due to various causes. May God comfort and support all of their friends and family especially as they cannot be together at this time.

week four:

June 21 - 27

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.”

~ *2 Timothy 1:7, NLT*

THOUGHT: God’s spirit of power and love is demonstrated through many selfless actions over the course of the pandemic. The spirit of self-discipline is demonstrated by those who remain in self-isolation and those who don protective equipment when making essential outings on behalf of others.

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for families whose loved ones are having difficulty with being at home so often, perhaps with a lack of routine.
- Pray for caregivers who have entered a state of exhaustion due to ongoing self-isolation and suspension of support services in the midst of the pandemic.
- Pray for people in Christian Horizons Supported Independent Living arrangements who are struggling with challenges of isolation and other restrictions due to COVID-19. Pray for access to the technology they might need to be connected to their communities.
- Praise God for the creative ways people are engaging with each other through social media, games, crafts, dance parties, etc.