

*Missionaries and Agents continued...*

### Children's Shelter of Cebu

A newborn baby named Catherine was referred to the Shelter. **Pray** with us that we can be used by God to share His love with this precious child and care for her in a way that honours and glorifies Him! Please **pray** for two more newborn babies who have been referred to CSC. They were abandoned, left with their umbilical cords still attached, by City Hall and the local Department of Social Welfare and Development.

### Evangelical Theological College of the Philippines

**Pray** for the graduation ceremonies of elementary, junior high and college students. For President Gabutan, as he speaks. For more enrollees for academic year 26-27; for incoming freshmen; for more library books and materials, and for building repairs.

### Evangelical Free Church of the Philippines

**Pray** for President Ariel Jornaes and his leadership.



# PRAYER guide

March 2026



## The Joy of Confession

Check out Neil Bassingthwaite's Prayer Guide video

*Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven, whose sin is put out of sight! When I refused to confess my sin, my body wasted away, and I groaned all day long. Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped trying to hide my guilt. I said to myself, "I will confess my rebellion to the Lord." And you forgave me! All my guilt is gone. Therefore, let all the godly pray to you while there is still time...*

*(taken from Psalm 32:1-6)*

We are in the midst of Lent. Many of us Evangelicals have been latecomers in our observation of Lent, and we have missed something significant. Over the last few years, Lent has become such a crucial part of my year, as I slow down, reflect, do some spiritual examination, and engage in confession and repentance. To engage in that yearly rhythm is good for me as I prepare for the reality of Good Friday and the celebration of Easter. I hope that as we "pray while there is still time" this month, we can spend time journeying through recognizing our sin, confessing, and realizing the gracious forgiveness that is ours in Jesus.

To watch this month's Prayer intro, scan this QR code.



You can also see the video here <https://bit.ly/2026marprayerguide>  
Check out our Prayer Guide page here <https://efcc.ca/prayer-guide/>

## Churches

### CAF Chaplains

**Pray** for those serving as chaplains in the Canadian Armed Forces:

- **Peter Han** - Esquimalt, BC
- **Chris Willis** - Kingston, ON
- **Phil Sung** - Halifax, NS

### Williams Lake EFC

Williams Lake was blessed to send a team of 10 people to Gilgil, Kenya in early February to assist a missionary family with a building project. Please **pray** for this team as they return and process all that they have learned during this cross-cultural experience. **Pray** that their experience would be a blessing to this church family as they share what they have learned.

### All the Nations EFC

We **praise** the Lord that *All the Nations EFC* is seeking approval for their charitable status. **Pray** for this church as they establish a board of directors and learn how to function as an independent body with responsibilities for their own management and budget.

### Big River EFC

**Pray** for Big River EFC as they search for a new pastor.



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## Upcoming

Join us in praying over the upcoming events in the EFCC family!

### March 6-7<sup>th</sup>

LPD Conference - Surrey

### March 26-27<sup>th</sup>

Church Vitality Committee Meetings - Edmonton

## Districts

### Marvin Penner APD Superintendent

The APD is entering the spring retreat season. In the coming months, we will have our annual Women's retreat, Men's retreat and Pastors' and Wives' retreat. **Pray** that many will decide to register for these retreats and that we will all be moved by God's word and towards unity and greater ministry together.

### George Budd Interim PD Superintendent

**Pray** for the District Delegates as they vote on approving a new District Superintendent on March 11th during a Zoom Meeting. **Pray** for the technology to work and God's will to be revealed.

### Dan Carlaw CPD Superintendent

18 of our CPD pastors enjoyed an encouraging annual Pastors' retreat at *Ness Lake Bible Camp* in February. We talked about (and put into practice) our God-given responsibility to intercede for those in our care. Please **pray** for us as we seek to grow in this shepherding privilege.

## Church Plants/Planters

- **All The Nations** (Wembley)  
Dwight Munn
- **Iranian Church of Newmarket**  
Siavosh
- **Just Church** (Scarborough)  
Tim Quek
- **Sonflower** (Burnaby)  
David Hong
- **Wayside Crossing** (Osoyoos)  
Dan Williams
- **Monterey Park** (Calgary)  
Amir Younas
- **Compass Community** (Scarborough)  
Kelvin Fung

## EFCC Leaders

### Shaun Wick President

**Pray** for your fellow EFCC churches – that they would be strengthened in their faith. **Pray** for our missionaries as they faithfully serve around the world – for protection, support, and joy. **Pray** for those organizations with whom we have partnerships, such as the Evangelical Free Church of Lebanon, that we might be able to encourage and support them well. **Pray** that we would continue to grow as a movement of Free churches who love each other, embody Jesus, share the gospel, and make disciples!

### Neil Bassingthwaight ServeCanada Director

**Pray** for good times of connection at LPD Conference and CVC Meetings. **Pray** for missionaries who are struggling with support levels and health issues. **Pray** for a deep renewed sense of our need for God and his mercy as we move through the Lent season.

### Dwight Johnson Stewardship Catalyst

**Praise** for every donation that came in by the end of December, allowing us to nearly meet our building fund goal. **Pray** that the remaining balance of approximately \$25,000 will soon be met.

### Terry Kaufman Leadership Catalyst

Please **pray** for our Growing Leaders ministry as we work to schedule more Leadership Training events, including both facilitators and participants, as well as some potential “hybrid” versions where I spend time individually with a church to help their leaders.

## Missionaries and Agents

### Dan Byrne Ottawa Evangelism Partnership

**Praise** God for Spirit-led unity after the recent *Connecting Streams* retreat, and pray for wisdom as the ministry adds regional staff and re-envision city ministry during this season of prayer and fasting. **Pray** for open doors in Ottawa among seniors, newcomers, and those in low-income housing – asking God to provide the right staff and funding. **Lift up** Dan and Jean for healing, clarity, and renewed vision for their house church network amid health challenges, and for discernment as Dan walks with a church-planting group facing leadership concerns—asking God for truth, repentance, and restoration. Finally, **pray** for Dan's continued recovery, Jean's spiritual, emotional, and physical renewal in ministry, their children's faith, and sustainable financial support.

### Helen Blackburn Bolivia

**Praise** the Lord for His presence in my life! This year, I will retire from my work here in Bolivia. Please **pray** for the completion of the sale of my house and property, as this will not be completed until the final papers are signed by Hans Byren, who sold me the land. I am not Bolivian and cannot "own" Property unless it is in the city. Please continue to **pray** for *El Candelero Kids* and Heather, our national workers, the Boys' Home, Support Centre and my English classes. May our outreach be blessed by God.

### Sammy Kabyemera Uganda

**Praise** that the Team is faithfully making disciples, and that many who believed during the last mission trip have now been baptized. The bicycles given to two pastors are strengthening their outreach and ministry. Please **pray** for Sammy's preparation for the next mission to Uganda's refugee camps and schools—equipping believers, distributing Bibles, providing bicycles, developing discipleship resources, and planting a church. **Pray** also for faithful prayer partners and supporters.

### Stephen & Jane Wheeler Montréal

Please **pray** for the March 20-21st training for users of *The Journey* that Jane and I will be helping to teach. Please **pray** for journey mercies and fruitful interactions with people during our upcoming month of travel.

### Robert & Leslee Oudman Nicaragua

Please **pray** for clarity as we review the work and statistics of the past year. **Pray** we are effective with the resources God provides and that we make decisions according to His will, decisions that will please the Lord and expand His kingdom. **Pray** that following a series of pastoral training workshops in February, the pastors and I will know how to best grow the church, his body of believers, in rural Nicaragua.

### Siavosh & Sophia Ontario

Please **pray** for Iranians who have lost their loved ones. For Christians in Iran to be a light amid darkness. For God to choose the best leader or Government for the future of Iran. Please **pray** for people who have experienced abuse and harm in Iran.

### Joy

### Creative Access Country

Please **pray** for the upcoming Easter fundraiser in March to help the poor people in Egypt. This fundraiser is harder than usual because of the rising prices in Egypt. Please **pray** for the people affected by the bad economy in Egypt.

### Scott & Karen Wind Vandenberg Mexico

Please **pray** for the residents and staff of *El Buen Samaritano Seniors Home*. **Ask God** to grant strength, patience, and compassion to caregivers, and comfort, dignity, and peace to each resident. **Pray** for good health, emotional encouragement, and meaningful connections in daily life. May this home be filled with Christ's presence, protection, and practical provision for every need.