## Prayer Guide October through December 2019

We invite you to partner in prayer that the Holy Spirit would use us to go into our communities with hearts of service and voices that share the good news of Jesus Christ, multiplying the harvest in all our churches.



## During the week of...

**October 6** – May the Lord continue to bless and work through the outreach efforts of Redeemer, Rockford as they continue to help people in their community work through various life changing circumstances. May the love of Jesus bring them comfort, strength, and encouragement.

**October 13** – May the Lord bless the North/West and East Regional Pastor's conferences this week. We pray for the Lord to inspire, encourage, and strengthen these Pastor's and all of our church workers.

**October 20** – We pray for the Lord to bless the efforts of Immanuel Batavia's youth as they model our incarnational Savior, Jesus Christ, through random acts of kindness. May the Spirit empower these young people and adult volunteers to share the love and Good News of Jesus more and more in their local community.

**October 27** – As people from around the District gather for our first Gospel in Action event in Algonquin this evening (Sunday), we pray for the Lord's blessings and encouragement as we seek to work together with all our congregations and ministries to reach more people with the Good News of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**October 30** – We praise the Lord for the ministry partnership of Mount Olive, Rockford and Concordia, Machesney Park. We celebrate their working together to build up God's Kingdom.

**November 3** - As time changes this weekend and we "fall back" an hour, we pray for the Lord to help all of us fall back on His Gospel and the saving message of Jesus sacrificing His life in our place to completely pay for the price of our sin. May this sweet Gospel message of His sacrifice and victory motivate us to bring this love to as many people as possible.

**November 10** – As people from around the District gather for our second Gospel in Action event in Bolingbrook this evening (Sunday), we pray for the Lord's blessing and encouragement as we seek to work together with all our congregations and ministries to reach more people with the Good News of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**November 17** – We pray for the ministry of St. Paul Lutheran, Bourbonnais, asking the Lord to continue to bless their outreach ministry, Gabriels Callers. May the Lord continue to help them build relationships and be the hands and feet of Jesus as they share His love and Good News.

**November 24** – In this week of Thanksgiving, we give all thanks, praise, and glory to our God for the many blessings He has given and continues to extend to all of us. We especially thank Him for the gift of His life, death, and resurrection to pay for our sin, grant us His forgiveness, and use us to bring His life-saving message to others.

**December 1** – We thank the Lord for Giving Tuesday—another opportunity for us to exercise kingdom generosity. May our giving bless those in need and help advance Your kingdom here and around the world.

**December 8–** We thank the Lord for the way He comes through the ministry of Immanuel, Downers Grove as they minister to their pre-school families and their community. May the Lord bless their efforts in reaching people in a downtown setting.

**December 15** – We pray for our District Board of Directors meeting this Monday, asking the Lord to provide His wisdom and guidance as the Board not only seeks to take care of the business of the District, but to especially seek the Lord's guidance in helping more and more of our congregations connect and engage with their surrounding communities with the Good News of Jesus.

**December 22** – As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus, we not only thank Him for coming as one of us to pay the price for our sin, but also ask Him to continue to use us to make a positive difference in the lives of others as we share His love and Good News.

**December 30** – As we end one year and enter another, we thank God for His many blessings, and we ask Him to motivate us by His Gospel to respond out of joy and gratitude to do all we can to work together as the hands and feet of Jesus, blessing as many as possible with His love and Good News.

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