

## Prayers from Various Prayer Calendars

### Sunday, August 4

- **LCMS** – God bless directors of Christian education as they develop ministries for children, youth, adults, and families.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Laos – Pray Christians accused of choosing a “foreign religion” stay steadfast in the Lord.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Father, we give thanks for Christ Jesus, in whom we receive the things that make for peace. Keep us trusting in Him and eagerly expecting His final day of visitation.

### Monday, August 5

- **LCMS** – God guide Directors of Christian Outreach to support congregation or organization outreach and evangelism.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Somalia – Pray for Christian converts who are actively pursued and killed when discovered.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, You execute justice for the oppressed and uphold the poor. Cause Your Spirit to dwell in Your Church, that we may not lie about our sins and defile Your temple, but follow Your ways by caring for the sojourner, the fatherless and the widow; defending the innocent; and turning from all other gods.

### Tuesday, August 6

- **LCMS** – God guide directors of family life ministry in their vital work to strengthen the families in our congregations.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Kuwait – Pray those who flee Kuwait will find refuge among believers in their new country.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, You reject the wisdom of this world and the foolishness of our sinful minds. Turn us away from the lies of sinful men and, by Your Word, return us to Your truth, where we find everlasting peace.

### Wednesday, August 7

- **LCMS** – Teachers and administrators model Christ-like behavior to students and incorporate the Gospel each day.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Oman – Pray Christians won’t be discouraged facing legal challenges due to conversion.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, bring about Your good and gracious will. Bless those to whom You have given authority in our government to break and hinder the plans of the wicked and encourage whatever is righteous and good.

### Thursday, August 8

- **LCMS** – Directors of parish music find joy and satisfaction in their work of enhancing the worship life of the church.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Benin – Pray that new Christians will have access to God’s Word, especially in rural areas.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, deliver Your servants from every evil of body and soul. Provide for those in need, and grant endurance to the afflicted. Restore them to health speedily, according to Your will. Keep us together in the work of Your Church until Your final day of visitation.

### Friday, August 9

- **LCMS** – Lay ministers would support church efforts in evangelism, Christian education, and parish administration.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Qatar – Pray for the small number of Christians gathering covertly for teaching and worship.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, we thank You for Your holy things that make for peace: the cross of Your Son, His resurrection from the dead, Your blessed Word of forgiveness, the washing in Your holy name, and the feast of our Savior’s body and blood. Grant us Your peace through these Means of Grace, that we may be Your people and dwell with You forever.

### Saturday, August 10

- **LCMS** – For missionaries, who leave home and family to work in faraway lands. Ask God to give them strength, wisdom and protection as they do His work.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Syria – Pray for the protection of those distributing Bibles in Syria.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, because You love to show mercy, hear the prayers we offer for Your ancient people, that acknowledging Jesus Christ, the light of truth, they may be delivered from darkness; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**