

## Prayers from Various Prayer Calendars

### Sunday, May 9

- **LCMS** –For missionaries to share experiences, listeners to consider serving in short/long term or career capacities.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Indonesia – Church leaders and mission organizations would work together for the gospel.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Blessed God, You do not reject our prayers or remove Your steadfast love from us. Hear us now and answer us in Your love for Your whole Church and for all people according to their needs.

### Monday, May 10

- **LCMS** – For families of visiting missionaries to enjoy their time together and mutually encourage one another.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Afghanistan – Our brothers and sisters will persevere through difficulties and persecution.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Heavenly Father, You invite us to freely come and hear Your Word. Bless and increase our faith, that we may rightly fear You and learn what You have done for our souls.

### Tuesday, May 11

- **LCMS** – God to comfort missionaries unable to see family/friends. The Holy Spirit comfort them with His presence.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Burkina Faso – Pray for unity and wisdom among those facing persecution.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord of all, You make known the good news of peace through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Bless and direct the work of our missionaries, that in every nation there would be people who fear God, do what is right and, believing in Jesus, receive forgiveness of sins through His name.

### Wednesday, May 12

- **LCMS** – That missionaries would have an easy transition back to life in the US —with minimal reverse culture shock.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Bahrain – Pray that persecuted believers will continue to find strength in Jesus Christ.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, Your Son took on our human flesh and was born of the Virgin Mary. He submitted to His mother, honoring and obeying her, so fulfilling the commandment where we have not. Graciously accept our thanksgiving for our mothers, whom You have given to us. Teach us to honor them aright — loving, obeying and giving thanks for them. Strengthen all women with child, and give them safe delivery. Comfort all women who long to have children but cannot, that they may find their consolation in You and Your unfailing love.

### Thursday, May 13

- **LCMS** – Lord would raise supporters for missionaries struggling to find the resources necessary for their ministry.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Turkey – That God will raise up a new generation of bold, wise Christian leaders in Turkey.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Almighty Father, You rule this world by Your established authorities in ways that we do not always understand; yet in the name of Jesus, we may ask You anything freely as friends and sons. Bless our nation’s leaders and cause them to serve wisely for our good. Give earthly peace and justice that is in accord with Your commandments and the order You have revealed. Bring an end to injustice, violence and disdain for Your truth, and let us receive all good with thanksgiving.

### Friday – May 14

- **LCMS** – Thanksgiving for the forms of support and joys the Lord provides to missionary families as they serve Him.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Saudi Arabia – Pray Saudi students at U.S. universities will hear and respond to the gospel.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, Giver of all that is good, grant Your healing and support to all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Give them the gift of Your grace to accept and bear their crosses with faith in You, that finally they would be prepared to depart this life and receive the gift of eternal life in Your kingdom.

### Saturday, May 15

- **LCMS** – Conversations started during home service would continue after the missionary has returned to the mission field. Pray that through ongoing communication, missionaries and supporters would encourage one another.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Bangladesh – Front-line worker who holds retreats for persecuted Bangladeshi Christians.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**