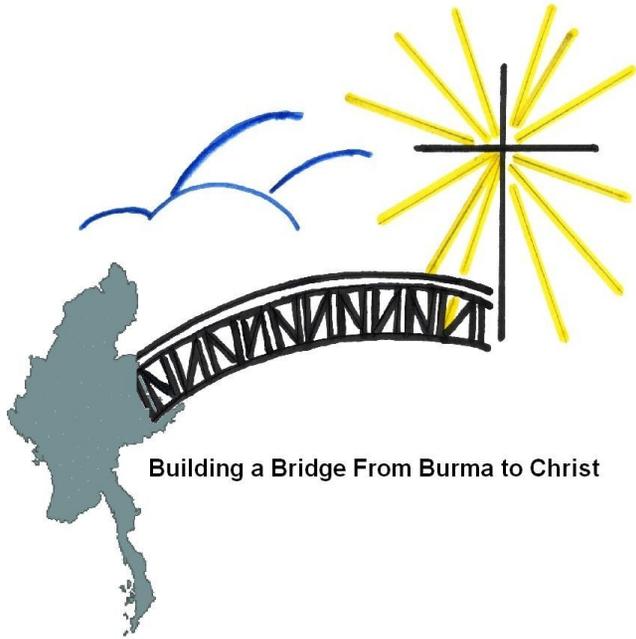


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among us. Embolden them to share your good news with those to whom we cannot go. But also open our eyes to those around us to whom we can go. Help us to also share your good news with everyone we meet. Grow your church, O Lord. We are your servants. Amen

Dear Jesus, you chose the apostles to be your first missionaries. You continue to choose men and women today to serve as your missionaries. Please bless the work of (insert names of churches, agencies and missionaries). Encourage them. Provide for their needs. Protect them. Use them to grow your church. Help us to be source of encouragement for them. Help us to support them. Use us to bless them and through them to bless others. Amen

Prayer for Spouse

Dear Lord Jesus, you blessed the wedding at Cana with your presence. Please bless my marriage with your presence as well. Thank you for my wife/husband. I pray that you would help him/her grow closer to you every day. Protect and bless her/him. Help me to love and care for him/her more and more. Help me to forgive her/him. Help me also to ask for forgiveness. Bless our marriage, O Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Dear heavenly Father, you have said in your psalms, "Call on me in times of trouble. I will rescue you, and you will honor me." Thank you for keeping your promise. Thank you for hearing my prayer and answering. Help me to honor you with my words, my thoughts, and my life. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen

Prayer for Work

Dear heavenly Father, when you created Adam you gave him the job of caring for the Garden of Eden. Work is needed to provide for our needs. Work is needed to give us a sense of purpose for our lives. Please help me to find a job. You know my skills. You know my desires. You know my needs. Help me to find the right job to meet those requirements. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

have for you. They are plans for peace and not disaster, plans to give you a future filled with hope.” You know what is in store for me. Help me to trust you to lead me into the unknown. Please guide me and prepare me for the future you have planned for me. I ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen

Prayer for Healing

Father, hear me. Have mercy. Help me. Have mercy. Heal me with Your peace. Father, I am in Your hands. Have mercy. Give peace. Amen

Dear Jesus, you gave the blind sight. You gave the deaf hearing. You healed the sick. You are the great physician. Please heal (name). Comfort him/her in his/her illness. Surround him/her with your arms of love. Amen.

Prayer for Marriage

Dear God the Creator, when you created Adam, you said it was not good for him to be alone. You created Eve to be his helpmate. I too do not want to be alone. I too need a helpmate suitable for me. I do not know where this helpmate is. I do not even know who this helpmate is. But you do. Prepare him/her for me. Prepare me for her/him. Help me to wait on you for the right moment to meet. Help me to wait for your blessing to get married. I pray this through Jesus Christ, the bridegroom of the church. Amen.

Dear God, you did institute marriage. Give me, your imperfect child, a devout wife/husband. Do this so that I may live honestly and peaceably in true love. I ask that my will may be hers/his and her/his will be mine. Choose for me one with whom I may serve you. Choose for me one with whom I may by faith and prayer overcome any trials of married life. Amen.

Prayer for Missions

Dear Jesus, you said that we should, “ask the Lord who gives this harvest to send workers to harvest his crops.” Lord, there are many who need to hear about you. Please raise up missionaries from



The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Luther's Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Prayer for Education

Dear Jesus, when you were growing up, we are told in your word that you, "grew in wisdom and maturity." We are also told that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." Education is important, Lord. Help me in my studies. Help me to know you first. Help me to understand my teachers. Help me to do my homework. Help me to have the discipline to study. Help me to grow in wisdom and maturity. Amen.

Prayer for Forgiveness

Lord, it is your will and command that we should come to you and pray. So I now come to please you. I ask you to forgive and to remove my sins which weigh heavily upon me. Let them not prevent me from coming to you in prayer. Amen

O God, Father in heaven, look with mercy upon your needy child, and grant me forgiveness. Amen

O almighty God, merciful Father, I am a poor miserable sinner. I confess to you all my sins and iniquities. I confess all with which I have ever offended you. I confess all with which I justly deserve your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them. I sincerely repent of them. I pray you of your boundless mercy. I pray for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of your beloved son, Jesus Christ. Because of these, be merciful and gracious to me, a poor sinful being. Amen.

Psalm 51:10-12

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me
Cast me not away from Thy presence O Lord,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and renew a right spirit within me. Amen

Prayer for the Future

O almighty Father and Creator, You tell me that "every day of my life was recorded in your book before one of them had taken place." You know my future. You have also told me, "I know the plans I

Prayer for a Blessing

Give us this day our daily bread. Guard us against greed and anxiety for the body. Help us to confidently rely on you for all blessings. Amen

Dear Father in heaven, we are told, “Every good present and perfect gift comes from above, from the Father who made the sun, moon, and stars. The Father doesn’t change like the shifting shadows produced by the sun and moon.” Thank you for all the blessings you have given us. Thank you for not changing your love toward us. Help us to always give you thanks. Amen

Dear Jesus, I need a blessing. You know my situation. You know my need. Bless me O, Lord. Amen

Prayer for Children

Dear Father in heaven, you have said, Children are an inheritance from the Lord. They are a reward from him.” Thank you for my children. I am honored that you would give them to me. Please watch over my children. Guide them throughout their lives. Protect them. /Lead them in the path of life. I pray for their education. Grant them wisdom. I pray for their work. Grant them discipline. I pray for their marriages. Grant them patience. Keep these dear treasures from you firmly in your kingdom. Keep them from straying. Use them in your service. Help them to be your witnesses to those around them. I ask all of this through Jesus Christ, your dear Son. Amen.

Dear heavenly Father, you are the giver of all good gifts. Hannah prayed to you for a son. You heard her prayer and gave her Samuel. Elizabeth and Zechariah prayed for children. You heard their prayer and gave them John. We too ask you to bless our marriage with children. Please hear our prayer. Give us a son or daughter to love. Help us to be faithful and good parents. Help us to wait on you. Thank you for hearing our pray O Lord. Amen.

Bed Time Prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take. If I should live for other days, I pray the Lord to guide my ways. (If you choose you may also ask God to bless family and friends, naming them by name) Amen.

Before Meal Prayer

Come, Lord Jesus, be our Guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. And may there be a blessed share on every table everywhere. Amen.

After Meal Prayer

O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever. Amen. (psalm 136:1)

Sunday Prayer

Lord Jesus, on this day you defeated death by your resurrection. You rose from the dead never to die again. You promise forgiveness of sins and eternal life to me. Let my worship today be filled with this joy. Pour out your Spirit on the Pastor. Open my ears to your words. In your name, Jesus, I pray. Amen.

Monday Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, you created all things. You also promise to bring all things to completion. Today my job (schooling,) begins again. Bless the beginning of this new week. Direct its continuing. Bless its end. Keep me from sin. Help me to live a holy life. Help me to do my work (schooling) in such a way that it would please you. I pray this through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen

Tuesday Prayer

Savior, I commit my head, my heart, my tongue, my hands, my feet, my strength, my love, my all to You this day. Use me this day to share your love with others. Fill me with your Spirit. May all who meet me this day meet You, not me. Amen.

Wednesday Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, On this day you began to fill your creation. You filled the sky with the creation of the Sun, moon and stars. Their light guides are days. But you also sent your Son into the world to be its true light. Help me to follow the light of Jesus today. Help me to let the light of Jesus shine through me. I pray this through Jesus Christ, my light and Lord. Amen.

Thursday Prayer

Stand with me at the beginning of this day, O Christ. Walk with me each step of my waking hours, O Savior. Guide my speaking and doing by the power of your eternal Word, O Redeemer. Hear me, Lord Jesus Christ. You are full of grace and truth. Amen.

Friday Prayer

Dear Jesus, on this day you suffered and died on the cross. You did this willingly for me. You did this to remove my sins. You carried your cross out of love for me. Help me to take up my cross and follow you. You suffered untold agony for my sins. Help me to live a life of joy and thanksgiving for you. You died for me. Help me to live for others. Amen.

Saturday Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, on this day you rested from all your work of creation. Refresh me this day also. Help me to prepare myself for worship. Thank you for bringing me safely to the close of this week. I pray this through Jesus, my Lord and Savior. Amen



Special Prayers