



April 2017

¹⁷ Now Jesus was going up to Jerusalem. On the way, he took the Twelve aside and said to them, ¹⁸ "We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death ¹⁹ and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!"

- Matthew 20:17-19 (NIV)

Theme Prayers:

- ☐ Praise God that the tombstone rolls away for a risen Lord and that the darkness of fear, sin, and death are replaced with Light!
- ☐ Pray that the propensity for sin will die, and that the love of God will be resurrected.
- ☐ Give praise for the wonderful, marvellous, sacrificial love of Jesus that fills us with wonder, hope and peace!

Around our BIC Canada churches:

- ☐ Pray that the 2017 BIC Lenten Devotional Guide is preparing us for the hope of Easter as we read and participate in it.
- ☐ Pray that Good Friday, Sunrise & Easter Morning Services in our churches would be used to draw people to the risen Christ.
- ☐ Pray for 'Coffee & Conversation' Meetings on April 9 and 19.

Around the World:

BIC Canada Missionaries - Zambia

- ☐ Joel & Julianne Percy (Micah, Caleb, Nathaniel)
- ☐ Jamie & Arja Sanfilippo (Kanah, Talya and Ranen)
- ☐ Amanda Schwartzentruber – Praise God for the new staff who are now settling into the paediatric ward at Macha Hospital. Pray these nurses will continually be motivated and genuinely care for the very ill patients.

BIC Canada-Global Associates:

- ☐ Bruce & Merly Bundy (Spain): Thank you for praying, interceding and just thinking of us. We sense that God is wanting to do something new, and we need your prayers for clarified vision and direction.
- ☐ Mike & Lori Cassel (Guatemala)
- ☐ Kris G (Thailand): Pray that P.B. will be restored as a disciple of Jesus. Pray for his wife's health and for encouragement during this time. Pray they both will be able to come back to the church soon, and that their extended family will receive salvation through faith in Jesus.
- ☐ D & M G (ME): Pray that more and more encounters of knowing God in His trueness and fullness will be evident. So much is happening here! God's heart is very much for the people of this land. It's an exciting place to be living!
- ☐ Earl & Lois Hess (Malawi): Pray for Earl as he prepares to teach three subjects next semester: Pastoral Theology, Ezra/Nehemiah, and the book of Revelation, and as Lois faithfully carries out a valuable support role. Pray for timely and accurate preparations and delivery, and that classes will be focused and relevant.
- ☐ Chris & Kara K (Spain)
- ☐ T & S M (ME)
- ☐ Doug & Barb Miller (Malawi)
- ☐ Melissa S (Spain): Pray with me that Mrs. M would find a job in her field and that it would grow her faith. Pray she will recognize her need for God even more than her need for food and a job.
- ☐ Jay & Judy Smith (England)
- ☐ John & Esther Spurrier (Zambia).

BIC Canada Partners:

- ☐ Pray for our BIC brothers and sisters in Zimbabwe as they recover from the flooding and storms that have hit the country.
- ☐ Pray for the village teachers, who are working in India, and are contacting different people groups through basic social development work. Pray that the Lord will help them to reach more villages and bring new souls to Christ.
- ☐ The number of new believers is increasing day by day in Nepal. New believers continue to grow spiritually as the church planters visit them regularly for prayer and Bible study.

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