



**Mennonite  
Education  
Agency**

The education agency of  
Mennonite Church USA

**Daily prayers:**

**Mon., January 25 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School**

Pray for Lancaster Mennonite School seniors as they prepare to share their senior presentations of their growth journeys with friends and family, and as they consider their options when they leave high school.

**Tue., January 26 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Pray for the Bluffton University campus community and guests Tom Sine and Dr. Christine Aroney-Sine of Mustard Seed Associates as they interact during a Forum presentation today, "Finding God's Best for Your Life...Creating New Possibilities," and chapel on Thursday.

**Wed., January 27 – Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.**

Pray that the presenters and participants of Pastors Week at AMBS will be renewed and nurtured by the themes of hospitality and mission in Luke and the opportunity for fellowship.

**Thu., January 28 – Goshen (Ind.) College**

Pray for the annual Pastors Dinner and Dialogue at Goshen College this evening and its participants—students, faculty and pastors from the local community and around the U.S. Pray that they will be enriched as they come together to fellowship, worship and discuss faith formation in young adults.

**Fri., January 29 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.**

Pray for a dynamic experience for students and campus pastors from EMU and other Mennonite colleges and universities as they gather for a self-directed conference this weekend at Merry Lea Environmental Center of Goshen College.

**Sat., January 30 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for the staff of Kauffman Museum on the Bethel College campus as they host the community for the annual Celebrate Kansas Day.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 31**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for January 31:** Pray for the search process to find a new principal for the Lancaster Campus of Lancaster Mennonite School.

**Daily prayers:**

**Sun., January 31 – Mennonite Schools Council**

Pray for the administrators and teachers of MSC schools who provide a curriculum that enables students to grow in grace and the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Mennonite Education Agency, the Mennonite Church USA agency that works with school-based education, brings you prayer requests from our preschools, elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, seminaries, and various programs that work to strengthen the church through education. If you are interested in receiving a free subscription to Prayers for Faith and Learning, e-mail or call Mennonite Education Agency. *Thank you for joining us in these prayers for faith and learning.*

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## JANUARY 2010 PRAYERS FOR FAITH AND LEARNING

**WEEK OF JANUARY 1-2**

**Daily prayers:**

**Fri., January 1 – Mennonite education**

Pray for MEA, the educational institutions of Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Schools Council during this new year.

**Sat., January 2 – Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA)**

Pray for the 11 new volunteer tutors and coordinators of the eight new IBA study centers in Florida, Illinois, New Jersey and New York. May God grant them energy and wisdom as they teach and coordinate their respective new groups of students. Pray that their ministry will be an instrument to harvest essential new leaders for the church.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 3-9**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for January 3:** Young children are inundated with messages about worldly possessions; those possessions rarely bring deep, long-lasting happiness. As we begin a new year, may we honor the young children in our lives by generously sharing the gifts of time and attention with them above material goods. (Mennonite Early Childhood Network)

**Daily prayers:**

**Sun., January 3 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School**

Pray for students and families who attended an open house or Prospective Student Day at Lancaster Mennonite School and are considering Christian education for next year.

**Mon., January 4 – Bethany Christian High School, Goshen, Ind.**

Pray for Bethany Christian High School seniors as they explore future vocational possibilities in a new weeklong job shadowing program.

**Tue., January 5 – Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.**

Pray for AMBS professors Loren Johns, Alan Kreider, David Miller, Ben Ollenburger and Daniel Schipani who are teaching Interterm courses in Revelation, church history, mission and peace, Isaiah, and pastoral counseling.

**Wed., January 6 – Goshen (Ind.) College**

Pray for Goshen College faculty and students as a new semester begins today. Ask a special blessing on the students leaving today for Study-Service Terms in Peru and Cambodia, and for their faculty leaders: Jerrell and Jane Ross-Richer (Peru), and Keith and Ann Graber Miller (Cambodia).

**Thu., January 7 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for all Bethel College students and faculty traveling out of the state or country this month, especially those going to Costa Rica under the leadership of Professor of Biology Jon Piper, and the Bethel College Concert Choir in Europe.

**Fri., January 8 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School**

Pray for wisdom and understanding for both parents and teachers of Lancaster Mennonite School as ways are found to best instruct students with special learning needs.

**Sat., January 9 – Philadelphia (Pa.) Mennonite High School**

Pray for God's continued grace and mercy for the Philadelphia Mennonite High School administration, staff, students and families. Pray especially for the Board President Emeritus Dr. Mark Garis who has been diagnosed with a brain tumor and Pamela Seretny, art and science teacher, who is fighting cancer.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 10-16**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for January 10:** Pray for returning and new students at EMU and Bluffton University as they return to campus today and into the joys and challenges of study and living in community.

**Daily prayers:**

**Sun., January 10 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for the Bethel College Concert Choir, with Professor of Music William Eash and Professor of German Merle Schlabaugh, as they perform today in Berlin and as they sing for audiences in Germany, Switzerland, France and the Netherlands this month.

**Mon., January 11 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Remember Bluffton University students, faculty and staff as the semester begins today and as the process of learning and discovery continues in various disciplines and contexts.

**Tue., January 12 – Hesston (Kan.) College**

Remember Hesston College students as spring semester classes begin today. Ask God to bless their studies and their social interaction on campus, and help them grow spiritually. Pray for new students as they adjust to academic challenges, as well as meet new friends.

**Wed., January 13 – Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.**

Pray for students at Bethany Christian Schools during their second and final week of J-term classes; pray that they will have safe travels, develop and strengthen their relationships with peers and teachers, and be enriched as they study.

**Thu., January 14 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Pray for the first Bluffton University chapel service of the new year today; pray that there will be an openness to God's Spirit and movement in the life of the campus community and in the lives of individual learners.

**Fri., January 15 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.**

Ask God for safe travels for the EMU undergraduate students and their professors who are traveling to Guatemala and the Middle East for a semester-long cross-cultural seminar.

**Sat., January 16 – Goshen (Ind.) College**

Pray for the Goshen College students and community members who are participating in weekend training sessions at the Goshen College Community School of the Arts for leading Music Together classes. Pray also for the young children and their families who will attend these classes.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 17-23**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for January 17:** Invite God's Spirit to flow freely through the worship and teaching venues of the School for Leadership Training at Eastern Mennonite Seminary this week, and grant speaker Greg Boyd wisdom as he engages those gathered.

**Daily prayers:**

**Mon., January 18 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for the Bethel College community on this Martin Luther King Jr. holiday as they celebrate throughout the day the 50-year anniversary of King's speech on the Bethel campus in January 1960.

**Tue., January 19 – Hesston (Kan.) College**

Ask God to bless Hesston College faculty and students as they celebrate the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., through a variety of special activities and presentations during the week, including an evening of artistic expression on Thursday. May people be moved "to act justly... to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8, NIV).

**Wed., January 20 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Pray for Bluffton University Minister in Residence guest Addie Banks and the campus community this week as they recognize the life and ministry of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., through dialogue, a forum presentation, chapel and class interaction.

**Thu., January 21 – Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Harrisonburg, Va.**

Ask God for continued wisdom and guidance in the search for a new vice president and seminary dean for Eastern Mennonite Seminary.

**Fri., January 22 – Hesston (Kan.) College**

Pray that God will speak to high school students who are visiting the Hesston College campus, attending classes in their areas of interest, and experiencing dorm and community life during Prospective Student Visit Days this weekend. Ask God to give them guidance about his plans for their lives and which college to attend.

**Sat., January 23 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.**

Pray for the EMU chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes that meets weekly on campus. May student-athletes grow in their faith through the winter months.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 24-30**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for January 24:** Pray for the upcoming Mennonite Educators Conference, February 4-6, in Pittsburgh, Pa., for the planning committee members, keynote presenters, workshop presenters as they prepare, and for the teachers and administrators of Mennonite Schools Council who plan to attend.