

Daily prayers:

Sun., May 23 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.

Pray for God's presence with Bethel College commencement speaker Aziza Hasan, and God's blessing on the seniors graduating from Bethel today, and the faculty, staff, families and friends gathered to celebrate with them.

Mon., May 24 – Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.

Pray for seniors at Bethany Christian High School as they prepare for graduation on May 30 and decide on the next step in their lives; may they choose in light of God's calling on their lives.

Tue., May 25 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.

Pray for Bethel College's track and field team members competing in the national championships this week in Marion, Ind.

Wed., May 26 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School

Pray for Lancaster Mennonite School seniors as they make post-graduation plans.

Thu., May 27 – Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.

Pray that persons with a passion for Anabaptist Christian education will be identified for board service in the coming year at Eastern Mennonite School.

Fri., May 28 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Ask God to guide and direct the EMU students who are serving the church this summer at Christian camps, on short-term mission and service trips, and in the Ministry Inquiry Program.

Sat., May 29 – Mennonite higher education institutions

Pray for all students who are overseas for service and education and far from their families on this holiday weekend. Ask God to bless these life-changing, cross-cultural experiences.

WEEK OF MAY 30-31

Suggested bulletin announcement for May 30: Pray for the students of all Mennonite schools, colleges and seminaries who have or will graduate this spring. Thank God for the academic, spiritual, and social growth each graduate has experienced. Give thanks for the committed efforts of faculty and staff that made their educational experiences possible.

Daily prayers:

Mon., May 31 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Pray for the faculty and staff of the EMU Summer Peacebuilding Institute as they guide students from around the world in learning and practicing peacebuilding in their cultural context.



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MAY 2010 PRAYERS FOR FAITH AND LEARNING

WEEK OF MAY 1

Daily prayers:

Sat., May 1– Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Harrisonburg, Va.

Pray for students graduating from Eastern Mennonite Seminary today.

WEEK OF MAY 2-8

Suggested bulletin announcement for May 2: Pray for Goshen College Professor Jonathan Geiser and his students as they explore Spain and apply their on-campus learning about business to a new setting during a class called "Business in Spain."

Daily prayers:

Sun., May 2 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Ask God to bless the celebration of accomplishments and conferring of degrees at commencement exercises for EMU undergraduate and graduate students.

Mon., May 3 – Bluffton (Ohio) University

Remember students and faculty at Bluffton University during this spring semester final exam week.

Tue., May 4 – Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.

AMBS students, staff and faculty gather today to recognize the writing and publishing done by faculty during the year. Give thanks to God for scholarship and publishing that builds up the church.

ALSO May 4 – Goshen (Ind.) College

Goshen College celebrates its volunteers from the local community with a Volunteer Ambassador Luncheon today. Give thanks for this friendly, generous group and all who share time with our church schools.

Wed., May 5 – Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.

Pray for a positive experience for Eastern Mennonite School students performing *Godspell* tomorrow through Saturday.

Thu., May 6 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Invite the Holy Spirit to move among the faculty and staff of EMU as they gather today for the spring faculty/staff conference.

Fri., May 7 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.

Pray for William Eash, Bethel College professor of music, as he leads convocation this morning on Poulenc's *Gloria* and Stravinsky's *Symphony of Psalms*, and for the musicians who will perform the works on campus this coming Sunday.

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Thank you for joining us in these prayers for faith and learning.

ALSO Fri., May 7 – Bluffton (Ohio) University

Pray for alumni gatherings, graduating students and their families as Bluffton University holds May Day activities, baccalaureate and commencement this weekend. Pray especially for graduating students as they move into a new stage of learning and discovery.

Sat., May 8 – Goshen (Ind.) College

Goshen College music education major Karla Santiago presents her senior vocal recital this evening. Pray for a spirit of calm for Karla, and give thanks for all of Goshen's teacher education students as they prepare to enter the classroom.

WEEK OF MAY 9-15

Suggested bulletin announcement for May 9: Pray for the hiring processes of faculty and staff at Eastern Mennonite School and that candidates will sense a calling from God to serve in a Mennonite school.

Daily prayers:**Sun., May 9**

The 1870 Mother's Day Proclamation was about world peace. Julia Ward Howe said, "Our sons shall not be taken from us to unlearn all that we have been able to teach them of charity, mercy and patience." Pray that we may all teach the "means whereby the great human family can live in peace ... bearing the sacred impress, not of Caesar, but of God."

Mon., May 10 – Mennonite Early Childhood Network

Pray for the participants from all over the world during the first session of the Summer Peacebuilding Institute at EMU, May 10-14. May they find a sense of community and build meaningful professional relationships to support their ongoing work.

Tue., May 11 – Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Harrisonburg, Va.

Pray for students at Eastern Mennonite Seminary who will begin May term classes today.

Wed., May 12 – Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.

Pray for Bethany students today as they give back to the community during a day of service to local agencies and that they realize for themselves the value in serving others.

Thu., May 13 – Goshen (Ind.) College

The Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College hosts its annual NatureFest this coming weekend—a family-friendly bash with overnight camping, hikes and outdoor activities. Pray for the Spirit's movement among the participants as they encounter God in their surroundings.

Fri., May 14 – Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.

Pray for Bethany Christian Schools musicians as they prepare for spring concerts today and May 18.

Sat., May 15 – Bluffton (Ohio) University

Remember Bluffton University students and faculty leaders traveling for domestic Cross Cultural Learning Experiences, May 11-26, to: Arizona, 16 students with leaders Phil Sugden and Carole Elchert; New York City, 20 students with leader George Metz; and Chicago, 15 students led by the director of the Chicago Center.

WEEK OF MAY 16-22

Suggested bulletin announcement for May 16: Pray for the new Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA) study center at Torre Fuerte Church in Iowa City, Iowa. Pray that their first course, "Intro to the Bible" will be a blessing to the students and that God's wisdom and patience will be with the tutors Ramiro and Martha Hernández as they lead the weekly sessions. May this new leadership training become a blessing to their congregation and community.

Daily prayers:**Sun., May 16 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Thank God for the musical gifts of Bethel College's a cappella men's group, Open Road, and guest artists who will perform in the annual home concert this evening.

Mon., May 17 – Bluffton (Ohio) University

Pray for Bluffton University students and faculty leaders traveling on international Cross Cultural Learning Experiences, May 11-26 to: Guatemala, 19 students with leader Jo Ellen Peterson; England/Wales, 15 students with leader Jeff Boehm; Colombia, 10 students with leader Paul Neufeld Weaver; and Israel/Palestine, 30 students with leaders Randy Keeler and Stephen "Tig" Intagliata.

Tue., May 18 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School

Pray that Lancaster Mennonite School students would grow and mature through participation in various co-curriculars.

Wed., May 19 – Goshen (Ind.) College

May term classes end at Goshen College today, marking the end of the academic year for most students and the beginning of summer experiences like the Ministry Inquiry Program. Pray for students as they explore their gifts outside the classroom, whether in a service-learning setting or a traditional job.

Thu., May 20 – Hesston (Kan.) College

Pray for the Hesston College students and co-directors and music faculty members, Bradley Kauffman and Ken Rodgers, during the biannual European Chorale Tour, May 11-June 3. Pray for good health, safe travels, and meaningful contacts as the chorale tours and performs.

Fri., May 21 – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.

As incoming students gather at EMU for Summer Orientation and Registration (SOAR), pray that they have a sense of hopefulness and excitement about embarking on their college journey.

Sat., May 22 – Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.

Pray for generous community support during the months of May and June to meet the financial mission needs for Mennonite education at Eastern Mennonite School.

WEEK OF MAY 23-29

Suggested bulletin announcement for May 23: Give thanks to God for students who graduated from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary yesterday. May they feel God's blessing as they celebrate this accomplishment and move into new avenues of ministry.