

**Fri., September 24 – Hesston (Kan.) College**

This weekend is Homecoming Weekend at Hesston College. Pray for students, faculty and staff who have prepared for the event. Ask God's Spirit to fill the campus with a sense of hospitality and warmth as they welcome alumni and friends back to campus this weekend.

**Sat., September 25 – Goshen (Ind.) College**

The Goshen College Campus Ministries team is leading a spiritual retreat for students at nearby Camp Friedenswald this weekend. Pray that this event will help students reflect on their relationship with God and build relationships with other students.

**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 26-30**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for September 26:** Pray for wisdom and discernment for faculty and staff members at Mennonite seminaries, colleges/universities, and schools as they guide and mentor students in their education and faith journeys.

**Daily prayers:**

**Mon., September 27 – Mennonite Schools Council**

Pray for the Mennonite Educators Conference Planning Committee as it meets tomorrow and Wednesday to plan the input for MSC teachers who will attend the upcoming conference in February 2012.

**Tue., September 28 – Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Harrisonburg, Va.**

Pray for Willi Hugo Perez, rector at SEMILLA, the Latin American Anabaptist Seminary, as he speaks to students, faculty and staff at Eastern Mennonite Seminary during spiritual life week.

**Wed., September 29 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School**

Pray for the recruitment team members at Lancaster Mennonite School as they provide leadership to admission events and build relationships with prospective students.

**Thu., September 30 – All Mennonite colleges and universities**

Pray for safety and health for those students from Mennonite colleges/universities who are studying overseas this semester. Pray that this time will broaden their world view and open their hearts to those different from themselves.

**SEPTEMBER 2010 PRAYERS FOR FAITH AND LEARNING**

**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1-4**

**Daily prayers:**

**Wed., September 1 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.; Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.; and Goshen (Ind.) College**

Pray for the campus communities of Bethel College, EMU, and Goshen College as they attend the opening convocation/chapel of the school year. Pray that the service at Bethel College and the speakers, Goshen College President Jim Brenneman and EMU President Loren Swartzendruber, will challenge and inspire students for the year ahead.

**Thu., September 2 – Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA)**

Pray for the IBA Annual Student Retreat, today through September 6, in Talladega, Ala. Students from New York, New Jersey, Virginia, Illinois, Nebraska, Florida and Texas will be participating. Pray for safe travel for the students, tutors and staff. Pray that this event will be a time for spiritual renewal and learning, to renew and make friendships, to fellowship and to gain new energy for the coming year.

**Fri., September 3 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School**

Pray for the Graybill Hall resident advisors at Lancaster Mennonite School as they prepare to welcome many new students. Pray that they may have grace and wisdom as they work with this diverse cultural community within the nearly full residence hall.

**Sat., September 4 – Hesston (Kan.) College**

Today is the first cross country meet that a Hesston College team has competed in since the mid 1970s. Pray for coach Gerry Sieber, assistant coach Todd Lehman and all the student athletes competing this fall. Ask God to keep them safe as they nurture and build a new team culture this season.

**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5-11**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for September 5:** Pray for Bluffton University students beginning classes this week and all faculty and staff who are called to lead this learning and discovery time with care.

**Daily prayers:**

**Sun., September 5 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for new students at Bethel College looking for a church community, and for the local congregations who will be welcoming them this morning.

Mennonite Education Agency (MEA), the education agency of Mennonite Church USA, brings you these prayer requests from our preschools, elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, seminaries, and various educational 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 MEA.

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

**Mon., September 6 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for Bethel College students, especially first-time freshmen and transfers, as they finish their first week of classes and hear the new president, Dr. Perry White, address the campus community in convocation this morning.

**Tue., September 7 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Pray for new faculty beginning this week as members of the Bluffton University campus community: Star Keyes, assistant professor of education; Amanda Sensenig, assistant professor of psychology; and Kate Spike, assistant professor of English.

**Wed., September 8 – Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.**

Pray for the students of Bethany Christian Schools as they form relationships with faculty through a mentoring program. Pray also that the students will grow in their academic responsibility and spiritual, social, and emotional development.

**Thu., September 9 – Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.**

As classes begin at AMBS, ask God to guide the faculty and students. Pray that the learning will help students hear and respond to God's call.

**Fri., September 10 – Bluffton (Ohio) University; Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.; and Goshen (Ind.) College**

The athletic departments of Bluffton University, EMU and Goshen College will participate in the Menno Soccer Classic this weekend at Christopher Dock Mennonite High School in Lansdale, Pa. The format features both men's and women's teams from each college in a six-game, three-day event.

**Sat., September 11 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Pray for new Bluffton University staff members: Kevin Nickel, vice president for fiscal affairs; Rae Staton, campus counselor; Anje Anglin, admissions office administrative assistant; Hassan Mosoka, graduate student in business assisting in campus ministries program; Craig Smith II, assistant football coach; and Rick Nussbaum, interim head coach of men's and women's soccer.

**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12-18**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for September 12:** Lord, bless our children's schools and programs as they transition into this new year. May they be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom. Enable those who teach to demonstrate your loving acceptance to each child in their care. (Mennonite Early Childhood Network)

**Daily prayers:**

**Mon., September 13 – Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.**

Ask God to guide Missy Kauffman Schrock, the new director of development at AMBS, as she works to foster support of the seminary's mission of preparing leaders for the church.

**Tue., September 14 – Bluffton (Ohio) University**

Pray for Lynn Thompson, Minister-in-Residence guest and pastor of St. John Mennonite Church in Pandora, Ohio, and the Bluffton University campus community as they interact and learn about each other's ministry and mission, today through September 16.

**Wed., September 15 – Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.**

Pray for Stacy Koontz Middleton, Bethel College women's softball coach, who starts work this fall building a new program in order to begin competing in fall 2011.

**Thu., September 16 – Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School**

Pray for the class of 2011 as they move into leadership positions in student organizations at Lancaster Mennonite High School. Pray they will take seriously their influence on the school community.

**Fri., September 17 – Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.**

Pray for the seminar at AMBS that meets Friday mornings, focusing on the Lord's Supper. Pray that professor John Rempel and the students will gain new insights into the practice of Holy Communion.

**Sat., September 18 – Academia Menonita Betania, Aibonito, P.R.**

Pray for faculty, staff and students at Academia Menonita Betania who joined Mennonite Schools Council (MSC) this summer. Pray that MSC schools will continue to find ways to support each other as they educate students—pre-kindergarten through grade 12.

**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19-25**

**Suggested bulletin announcement for September 19:** Pray for Elvin Kennel as he assumes his new role as Lancaster Campus principal at Lancaster Mennonite School this year. Pray for wisdom as he leads with vision.

**Daily prayers:**

**Mon., September 20 – Goshen (Ind.) College**

During the fall semester, all first-year students at Goshen College meet in small groups led by a professor to learn about the college's resources and values, process the changes that happen at college and find encouragement to grow socially, spiritually, psychologically and academically. Please pray for these groups and the professors who lead them.

**Tue., September 21 – Mennonite Education Agency**

Pray for the MEA Board of Directors and staff as they prepare for the upcoming Leaders Forum, September 23-25, in Pittsburgh, Pa. Pray that this meeting will strengthen the church and provide many opportunities for conversations among Constituency Leaders Council members, staff and board members of Mennonite Church USA agencies, and representatives of other affiliate groups.

**Wed., September 22 – Goshen (Ind.) College**

Students, faculty and staff of Goshen College will spread out around the community today to volunteer their time for the college's "Celebrate Service Day." Pray for safety for the volunteers, and that the service groups will provide a spark of hope in the community.

**Thu., September 23 – Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.**

Pray for Bethany Christian Middle School, today and tomorrow, as the students have fun learning outdoor skills and developing friendships during the two-day, one-night Wilderness Experience at Amigo Centre.