# Saturday, August 25 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

• Pray for new students joining the EMU community, from more than 30 states, 50 countries and 60 faith traditions, as they participate in new student orientation this weekend. May they all come to find home on campus.Pray for faculty as they prepare to begin a new academic year. May they return to campus refreshed and renewed in spirit to mentor students in their learning, faith and formation journeys.

# WEEK OF AUGUST 26-31

#### Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, August 26 — Goshen (Indiana) College

 Pray for new and returning students as they arrive to the Goshen College campus and as classes begin.

#### Monday, August 27 — Lezha (Albania) Academic Center

• Pray that all goes well at our teacher-parent-student night out.

# Tuesday, August 28 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

 We ask prayers and blessings as more than 2000 students, faculty and staff begin classes today. May the year be filled with unexpected delights, extraordinary discoveries, new and deepened friendships and pleasure in a community of learning and growth.

#### Wednesday, August 29 — Mennonite Schools Council

Pray for all MSC schools – students, teachers and faculty — beginning school this fall.

# Thursday, August 30 — Mennonite Education Agency

Pray for the ministry of MEA.

# Friday, August 31 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

Pray for AMBS's Church Leadership Center as they plan nondegree offerings for the
coming academic year to strengthen participants' faith and leadership skills — from
online short courses to Spiritual Guidance Seminars to the Journey Missional Leadership
Development program to Pastors and Leaders 2019.

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# Prayers for Faith and Learning

# **WEEK OF AUGUST 1-4**

#### Wednesday, August 1 — Lezha (Albania) Academic Center

 Pray for student and teacher recruitment for the 2018-19 academic year. May educators, students and parents be attentive to God's call.

# Thursday, August 2 — Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School

Remember LMS administration and staff as a new school year begins this month. Pray
that any remaining open positions will be filled and that everyone will experience a sense
of anticipation and hope for the upcoming year.

# Friday, August 3 — Mennonite Early Childhood Network

Interacting outdoors with bugs, flowers, water, mud, shadows and more is a wonderful
science adventure for young children. Pray that adults may capture this interest. May they
help children expand their study and develop an appreciation for the Creator.

# Saturday, August 4 — Goshen (Indiana) College

 Pray for Goshen College students who are returning from Study-Service Term in Peru and in Senegal, as they process their experiences and re-adjust to life back in the U.S.

# **WEEK OF AUGUST 5-11**

# Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, August 5 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

Pray for students who are beginning online coursework for a new semester this week.
 May God grant them space, time and the ability to focus on their seminary studies.

#### Monday, August 6 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

 Pray for incoming first-year students at Bethel College and their parents, as they prepare for this major life transition.

#### Tuesday, August 7 — Goshen (Indiana) College

Pray for Goshen College student-athletes as they begin a new season.

#### Wednesday, August 8 — Lezha (Albania) Academic Center

God is faithful. Pray with thanksgiving for a wonderful 2017-18 school year.

#### Thursday, August 9 — Hesston (Kansas) College

 Pray for Hesston College's team of student Resident Assistants as they begin orientation and learn how to be good, compassionate and patient leaders for their fellow students.

#### Friday, August 10 — Lezha (Albania) Academic Center

 Pray with thanksgiving for the two students who were baptized at the end of the 2017-18 school year.

# Saturday, August 11 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

 Pray for the staff of the AMBS Library as they help connect students with the many print and electronic resources that the library offers. Give thanks for the technological advances that have made these theological resources accessible!

# **WEEK OF AUGUST 12-18**

# Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, August 12 — Hispanic Pastoral and Leadership Education (HPLE)

• Pray for students, tutors and professors who are teaching and learning through *Instituto Bíblico Anabautista* (IBA) and *Seminario Bíblico Anabautista Hispano* (SeBAH).

# Monday, August 13 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

 Pray for those who are preparing for the fourth Rooted and Grounded Conference on Christian Land and Discipleship, to be held Sept. 27-29 at AMBS. May this event inspire and deepen participants' commitments to care for God's creation.

# Tuesday, August 14 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

Pray for EMU faculty and staff as they gather for faculty staff conferences. May they return
to campus refreshed and inspired to teach and transform the lives of all students.

#### Wednesday, August 15 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

 Pray for faculty leaders and examiners for Bethel College's senior capstone course, Basic Issues of Faith and Life, as they spend the day together in the annual BIFL preparation workshop.

# Thursday, August 16 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

 Pray for EMU's student-athletes who return to campus today to begin training for fall sports. May they find balance and joy in their opportunities to play DIII sports while pursuing their academic passions.

#### Friday, August 17 — Hesston (Kansas) College

Pray for the Hesston College community during Opening Weekend. May new students feel
at home, and may parents have peace of mind as they separate from their young adults.

# Saturday, August 18 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

Thank God for the gifts and dedication of the music faculty of the Bethel College Academy
of Performing Arts (BCAPA), who give a recital tomorrow afternoon.

# **WEEK OF AUGUST 19-25**

#### Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, August 19 — Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School

 Tomorrow is a staff development day for faculty at LMS. Remember them as they meet together to prepare for a successful school year and pray for wisdom and strength as they teach and model the life and teachings of Christ for their students each day.

# Monday, August 20 — Lezha (Albania) Academic Center

 Today our teachers return to school. Pray for wisdom as they make plans for the coming academic year.

# Tuesday, August 21 — Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School

Pray for LMS students and faculty as they begin the new school year today. Pray that
anxious new students are welcomed and feel a sense of calm, and that returning students
are excited and prepared for a good year.

# Wednesday, August 22 — Hesston (Kansas) College

 Pray for students, faculty and staff at Hesston College in the first week of the new academic year.

# Thursday, August 23 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

 This week, campus and distance students are coming together for a week of face-to-face learning at AMBS. Pray for rich and fruitful in-person interactions among students and faculty.

# Friday, August 24 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

 Pray for Bethel College fall athletes as they begin their seasons – for good health and safety in travel, hot-weather practices and competition.