



The education agency of
Mennonite Church USA

MARCH 2019

Prayers for Faith and Learning

WEEK OF MARCH 1–2

Friday, March 1 — Hesston (Kansas) College

- Today Hesston College is hosting dozens of students' grandparents from across the country for Grandparent Day. Give thanks for the legacy and support passed from grandparents to students.

Saturday, March 2 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

- We ask prayers for EMU students and faculty who are volunteering and assisting with a Remote Area Medical clinic. May they feel strengthened and energized through their service.

WEEK OF MARCH 3–9

Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, March 3 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

- Pray for students who are serving and learning during spring break with Y-Serve, the longest running student organization at EMU. They'll be serving Florida, Puerto Rico, Georgia, D.C. and West Virginia.

Monday, March 4 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

- Pray for EMU's University Choir and Emulate Chamber Ensemble who are lifting voices and song in worship with congregations and schools in Ohio and Indiana.

Tuesday, March 5 — Goshen (Indiana) College

- Pray for the Goshen College community during the Study-Service Term Conference: "Global Education for All: Renewing Our Vision," as they examine the past 50 years of SST and look ahead to its future.

Monday, March 25 — Quakertown (Pennsylvania) Christian School

- Praise God for a strong re-enrollment season. May there will be growth as more join the QCS family.

Tuesday, March 26 — Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School

- The last quarter of the 2018-19 school year at Lancaster Mennonite School begins this week. Pray that students, faculty and staff will continue to work with energy and enthusiasm toward the completion of another good year.

Wednesday, March 27 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

- AMBS Professor Loren Johns, Ph.D., is leading a weekly Spanish-language short course this month: *Cómo Se Formó la Biblia* (How the Bible was Formed). May the course make a difference in participants' lives and faith.

Thursday, March 28 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

- Give thanks for the technology that allows prospective students to participate in today's Seminary and Theological Graduate School Virtual Fair. May God use these online interactions to help them discern whether AMBS is a good fit.

Friday, March 29 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

- Pray for Donna Hetrick, Bethel College instructor of organ, as she presents her DMA recital in the Administration Building chapel this evening.

Saturday, March 30 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

- Give thanks for collaborative efforts among MEA educational institutions to respond to the challenges of climate change. AMBS partners with Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College and also with the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions.

WEEK OF MARCH 31

Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, March 31 — Goshen (Indiana) College

- The annual Goshen College Conference on Religion and Science is taking place this weekend, with guest speaker Katharine Hayhoe. Be with all participants as they discuss faith, science and Climate Change.

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

Wednesday, March 6 — Mennonite Early Childhood Network

- During the 40 days of Lent, beginning today, pray that we will endeavor to see Jesus in everyone and everything about us looking with his all-merciful and compassionate eyes. Then we can see like him, giving us no reason to exclude or reject any of God's children.

Thursday, March 7 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

- We ask prayers of safety for the group of hikers who are climbing Kilimanjaro to raise funds for the Michael J. Sharp scholarship fund for peace studies. MJ Sharp '05 was a UN officer killed in the Congo in 2016.

Friday, March 8 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

- Give thanks for Bethel College student musicians as they prepare for classical and jazz concerts this weekend on the Bethel campus.

Saturday, March 9 — Hesston (Kansas) College

- Remember Hesston College students leaving campus for spring break. Pray especially for student groups traveling during spring break to do service.

WEEK OF MARCH 10–16

Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, March 10 — Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School

- The Lancaster Mennonite High School Campus Chorale spring concert season begins today. Pray that God may be glorified and that students and listeners are blessed in each concert. Pray for safety as students travel to the different locations.

Monday, March 11 — Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Indiana

- Pray for Bethany High School students as they focus their learning on fruits of the spirit during Spiritual Life Week.

Tuesday, March 12 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

- Pray for prospective AMBS students who are applying for scholarships and for administrators who are discerning how to award funds. Give thanks for donors who help make seminary study possible!

Wednesday, March 13 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

- Pray for students and campus ministries as we celebrate Women's History Month with events and speakers. May our efforts to be more aware of and active in removing gender barriers create pathways for justice and peace.

Thursday, March 14 — Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School

- Parent-teacher conferences are great opportunities for discussion on the best approaches to empower each student to learn to the best of their ability. Pray for parents, faculty and students as they meet today and tomorrow.

Friday, March 15 — Goshen (Indiana) College

- Pray for Goshen College students who are participating in the spring musical "Bright Star." May all involved find meaning and joy during the performances.

Saturday, March 16 — Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Indiana

- Pray for Bethany students and community as they embark on a community service project: hosting a Habitat for Humanity panel build for a family in Elkhart, Indiana.

WEEK OF MARCH 17–23

Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, March 17 — Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana

- Pray that church leaders across the world who desire Anabaptist biblical and theological training would connect with AMBS's online distance education offerings.

Monday, March 18 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

- Pray for safety, rest and good health for Bethel College students during spring break, especially the softball team, with games during the break, and the Concert Choir traveling to New Mexico, Arizona and California.

Tuesday, March 19 — Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Indiana

- Pray for students at Bethany Christian Schools during their week of Interterm classes: that they will have safe travels, develop and strengthen their relationships with peers and teachers, and be enriched as they study and serve.

Wednesday, March 20 — Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia

- We give thanks for the students and benefactors who will be honored at a Legacy Scholarship Luncheon this week to celebrate generosity and academic achievement in psychology, nursing, and the sciences.

Thursday, March 21 — Hesston (Kansas) College

- As Hesston College hosts the "Beating Guns" tour, pray for those throughout the nation impacted by gun violence, and for voices of peace and nonviolence to have a difference in national conversations and decision-making.

Friday, March 22 — Hesston (Kansas) College

- Tonight Hesston College will hold a Cultures Fair, celebrating the music of the many cultures and backgrounds represented on campus. Pray for daily student interactions — that they would work to learn, understand and celebrate different backgrounds and perspectives.

Saturday, March 23 — Goshen (Indiana) College

- Pray for international students at Goshen College as they celebrate their distinctive cultures during the International Student Club dinner and performance.

WEEK OF MARCH 24–30

Suggested bulletin insert for Sunday, March 24 — Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas

- Thank God for the gift of music and the willingness to share it as the Bethel College Concert Choir wraps up their spring break tour this evening in Memorial Hall.