



Prayers for Mennonite Education

June 2021

Daily prayers for June 1 – 30, 2021

1. **Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale,**

PA: Pray for students to finish well, and for faculty, staff, and administrators as we support the end of year activities.

Mennonite Early Childhood Network:

Thank God for adults who give leadership to Summer Bible School experiences for children. Pray that the study of God's word will convey God's love and create a desire to extend that love in everyday ways to everyone they meet.

2. **Lezha (Albania) Academic Center:** Pray

for our seniors as they take their upcoming National Exams on June 5, 9, 15 and 19.

Hesston (KS) College: Please pray for the faculty of Hesston College's School of Management as they prepare to instruct the college's first cohort of junior-level business students.

3. **Quakertown (PA) Christian School:**

We ask for prayers and blessing upon our seniors who will graduate today, June 3rd. We know that through their personal experiences God has been present and we pray that they continue to rely on God as they take these next steps. May they serve the world with their vocations.

4. **Bluffton (OH) University:** Pray for our recent graduates who are entering the workforce, starting graduate school or beginning a year or more of service.

Eastern Mennonite University,

Harrisonburg, VA: On the anniversary of the Center for Justice and Peacebuilding at EMU, thank God for the 25(+1) years of peacebuilding and justice education available to students around the world.

5. **MEA's Hispanic Bible Institute (Instituto Bíblico Anabautista-IBA):**

Pray for Marco Güete, director of Anabaptist Biblical Institute-IBA, who will be leading the virtual workshop on Romans to the IBA students from Miami, FL, today, June 5. Pray for God's guidance and wisdom upon Marco as he leads this virtual workshop. Pray that it will be a source of learning, a time for students to share and learn from each other, and may it be of blessing for them and their congregations.

6. **Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, VA:** Forty-seven seniors graduate from Eastern Mennonite School today, June 6th. Deanna Reed, the first black female mayor of Harrisonburg, Va., will give the address, launching students into a world learning to celebrate diversity and reckon with an unjust past.

7. **Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, IN:** Please pray for Bethany Christian Schools as they welcome kids for Bright Time Summer Camp the week of June 7-11. Pray that all their work to make this event COVID-19 safe will be effective, and that the campers will have a wonderful week exploring, experimenting and learning!

Lancaster (PA) Mennonite School:

Pray for a safe, relaxing and refreshing summer break for Lancaster Mennonite School faculty and students.

8. **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN:** Pray for students taking AMBS Intensive Term courses this month — both at a distance and safely on campus. May their learning be filled with fruitful, Spirit-led connections and insights.

Hesston (KS) College: Please pray for the faculty of Hesston College's Center for Anabaptist Leadership and Learning (CALL) as they prepare to engage MennoCon21 attendees in Cincinnati.

9. **Bethel College, North Newton, KS:** Pray for Bethel College admissions staff and especially for incoming students and their families on Early Enrollment Days June 9 and 10.

Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia: Pray that students, faculty and staff at EMU may find rest, renewal, peace and hope for the future after 14+ months of pandemic education.

10. **Hillcrest Academy, Kalona, IA:** As we celebrate with gratitude the graduation of our senior class, we also lament with them the loss of so many things. We pray that with God as their foundation and guide, (as our tagline states) they will lead others through their faith and go forward with hopefulness and preparedness to change our world for the better.

11. **Quakertown (PA) Christian School:** We pray for our students, faculty, and staff as we prepare for our annual field day today, June 11th. We pray for nice weather and safety.

12. **Bluffton (OH) University:** Incoming high school seniors can start applying to Bluffton this month. Pray for these students as they explore vocations, visit campus and ponder the benefits of a Mennonite education.

Freeman (SD) Academy: We ask for rest and renewed energy for our faculty and staff after a job well done with additional COVID expectations.

13. **Mennonite Early Childhood Network:** Let Children's Day prompt us to pray for Christ-like love to reach out to children who are neglected or abused, for children or who are homeless or who live in war-torn rubble, in ghettos, in migrant and refugee camps, orphanages and hospitals or are separated from their parents in other ways. Pray that parents/caregivers may have strength, courage, insight and a generous portion of God's love to offer hope to all children.

14. **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN:** Pray for participants in AMBS's Decolonization and Discipleship course June 14 – 25 as they learn about the ongoing impacts of settler colonialism under the Doctrine of [Christian] Discovery and consider reparative responses in light of Jesus' call to Jubilee justice.
15. **Quakertown (PA) Christian School:** We pray for a successful end of the year as we complete our 2020-21 school year today, June 15th. We pray for peace as we take some time to breathe and relax from a long year filled with different obstacles.
16. **Goshen (IN) College:** Pray for basketball, theater and arts summer camps that are happening at Goshen College, in-person with safety precautions.
17. **Hesston (KS) College:** Please pray for Bryan Kehr as the Hesston College athletic department adds a development team to the Larks baseball program.
18. **Freeman (SD) Academy:** We pray for protection over our graduating seniors as they transition from high school to home then onto colleges such as M.I.T. and Purdue in the fall.
19. **Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, IN:** Pray that Bethany faculty and staff will experience rejuvenation and rest over the summer months, and that they will be renewed and empowered -- mind, body and spirit -- for great things in the 2021-22 school year.
20. **Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale, PA:** Pray for our graduates as they leave this place in uncertain times, that the education and faith-building experiences they received here at Dock will help guide their next steps.

Hillcrest Academy, Kalona, IA: As we end our academic school year, we look forward to our summer outdoor baseball and softball seasons. We pray for the continued health and safety of all our student athletes and our coaches, for spectators coming onto our campus, and for our fans as they travel; that all will be well.
21. **Goshen (IN) College:** Pray for students and educators who are participating in nature education programs this month at Goshen College's Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center.
22. **Lezha (Albania) Academic Center:** We are still looking for English, Science, and Social Study teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. Pray that God will provide for us.
23. **Bethel College, North Newton, KS:** Pray for Brad Shores, who coordinates summer programs at Bethel College, and whose first summer in the position, 2020, was unexpectedly shaped by a pandemic.
24. **Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale, PA:** Pray for faculty, staff, and returning students to find refreshment over the summer after a difficult year.

Kraybill Mennonite School, Mount Joy, PA: Pray for a restful, healthy and peaceful summertime.

25. **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN:** Pray for those who are following a call to ministry and exploring AMBS's distance-friendly nondegree Journey Missional Leadership Development Program, which develops leaders centered in Jesus Christ for ministries in local churches and communities.
- Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA:** As EMU faculty and administrators make plans for the 2021-22 school year, pray that they will provide space for healing and grief for all that has changed in the last two years.
26. **Bluffton (OH) University:** Please pray for our faculty and staff as they prepare for the 2021-22 academic year. May they fulfill Bluffton's mission to prepare students of all backgrounds for life and for vocation...for the purposes of God's universal kingdom.
- Lancaster (PA) Mennonite School:** Pray for administration and staff of Lancaster Mennonite School as they work through the summer months. Pray that the more relaxed pace will inspire creative planning and preparation for the 2021-22 school year.
27. **Bethel College, North Newton, KS:** Pray for the seven Bethel College students who were successful in obtaining summer research fellowships and are working in biology, history, literature, mathematics and natural sciences.
- Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale, PA:** Pray for wisdom, energy, and guidance over the summer as we plan for ways to develop minds, character, and faith in our students in the coming year!
28. **Lancaster (PA) Mennonite School:** Pray that families considering enrolling their children at Lancaster Mennonite School will find answers to their questions and a sense of peace with the decisions they make.
29. **Kraybill Mennonite School, Mount Joy, PA:** Pray for positive transition in leadership: principal and board.
30. **Freeman (SD) Academy:** Praise God for a full year of in-person classes and no severe cases of the pandemic on our small campus.

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