

Wednesday, November 1

Kraybill Mennonite School, Mt. Joy, Pa.: Our annual Grandparents Day is tomorrow, November 2. We are deeply grateful for the love and care that grandparents provide for our students. Please pray for meaningful interactions as grandparents of PreK through 5th grade students spend time in the school with their grandchildren. Tomorrow is also a day of service for our middle school students. Our prayer is that this day will provide students with a deeper understanding of God's call to serve those around us as a reflection of God's great love.

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener, Ont.: Rockway welcomes CAMS Administrators (Canadian Association of Mennonite Schools) from November 1 - 3. We pray for safe travels as CAMS administrators travel from all over Canada to meet together to share experiences and learn from one another. As part of their gathering and learning, they will tour the Mennonite Archives at Conrad Grebel College.

Thursday, November 2

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.: Give thanks for the Anabaptist-Mennonite organizations across the world that are collaborating with AMBS to educate and form leaders grounded in Anabaptist theology and identity — and for AMBS's Forming Leaders Together campaign that is supporting this shared work.

Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.: Pray that the junior class will have a successful Fish Fry tomorrow.

Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School: Remember the students involved in the Lancaster Mennonite performance of Animal Farm, November 2-4. Pray that everyone — actors and those behind the scenes, will enjoy the experience and will feel a sense of accomplishment for well-done performances.

Friday, November 3

Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.: We pray for students involved in the theater production of 24 Plays in 54 Minutes.

Hillcrest Academy, Kalona, Iowa: Pray for creativity, confidence, and endurance for everyone involved in the Hillcrest Academy fall drama production of Our Miss Brooks, November 4-5.

Quakertown (Pa.) Christian School: The QCS Leadership Team gives thanks for our faculty and staff who give unconditionally to our ministry. Keep them in prayer as we begin this Thanksgiving season.

Saturday, November 4

Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.: Pray for Bethel College student musicians and music faculty — there are junior and senior recitals, an all-choral group concert, and a Wind Ensemble concert this month.

Mennonite Early Childhood Network: "Read. Grow. Inspire" is the theme of National Children's Book Week, November 6-12. Pray that adults will find regular and spontaneous time to **READ** carefully selected books with children. While exploring the home, church, school, and community libraries, they will **GROW** in contact with world resources. Engaging in storytelling may **INSPIRE** them to write as well as read!

Hillcrest Academy, Kalona, Iowa: Pray for our student athletes as they begin the basketball season. During the winter season, as they practice, compete, and travel, pray for the health and well-being of our teams and coaches, for spectators coming onto our campus, and for our fans.

Sunday, November 5

Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.: Pray for visiting writer Julia Spicher Kasdorf as she makes several public presentations and meets with students at Bethel College, November 6-7.

Central Christian School, Kidron, Ohio: Pray for our Parent-Teacher Conferences tomorrow, that we continue to partner well with our families (parents, students, and teachers.)

Goshen (Ind.) College: Pray for Goshen College theater students and faculty as they produce and perform the fall Mainstage, *Cymbeline: Interrupted*, starting November 6.

Hillcrest Academy, Kalona, Iowa: Remember in prayer our Middle School Exploratory Night tomorrow, November 6. As interested, rising 8th grade parents discover what middle school at Hillcrest Academy is like, may they get the answers they need.

Monday, November 6

Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School: Lancaster Mennonite School has a Fall Open House scheduled for tomorrow, November 7. Please be in prayer for prospective families who attend and for administration and admissions staff as they answer questions and encourage families to consider LM.

Lezha (Albania) Academic Center: Head of School Klementina Shahini is traveling to Florida, Virginia, Missouri, and Pennsylvania from November 6-20 to meet with donors and recruit teachers. Pray for smooth travel and good health for her.

Tuesday, November 7

Lezha (Albania) Academic Center: A container filled with different items for the school and community from a church in Saint Louis is scheduled to arrive in Albania this month. Pray that God will open the doors and the customs process will go smoothly.

Wednesday, November 8

Bluffton (Ohio) University: Please pray for our Bluffton University student actors, directors, and stage managers as they share the fall play "Paragon Springs" Nov. 9-12. Pray for their continued creativity in developing ways to present and share their love of live performance.

Quakertown (Pa.) Christian School: We are thankful for our involved parents who walk with their students and our ministry. We pray for God's blessing on our teachers during our Parent-Teacher Conferences, Nov. 9-10.

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener, Ont.:

Tomorrow, November 9, Rockway will host its Discover Rockway Information Night – an evening designed for prospective families to come and explore what Rockway has to offer. We ask for prayers for our school faculty and staff as they prepare for this night and for our guests as they join us and begin the discernment process of determining the right school experience for their family.

Thursday, November 9

Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.: Pray for the annual Music Gala tomorrow night that highlights the talent of our student musicians and faculty members in a way that moves audiences.

Goshen (Ind.) College: Pray for Goshen College student musicians as they hold concerts and recitals this month.

Friday, November 10

MEA's Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA – Anabaptist Bible Institute): Please pray for the new study center at College Mennonite Church in Goshen, Ind. Pray for the students and tutors.

Quakertown (Pa.) Christian School: We are grateful to partner with Healthy Ninos and ask for God's blessing on their organization as they use our space tomorrow.

Saturday, November 11

Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.: Pray for families and students in the Goshen, Ind., area as they consider the possibility of Christian education and take the opportunity to visit the school.

Bluffton (Ohio) University: Please pray for our Bluffton University choir, ensemble, and band students as they share the joy of music through several performances this month and next. Watch over our students and community members as they prepare for the 129th Messiah performance on Dec. 10.

Sunday, November 12

Dock Mennonite Academy's Early Childhood – Grade 8 Campus, Lansdale, Pa.: Please pray for a successful book fair at Dock's EC8 campus this week, and that we can share the love of reading with each of our students.

Western Christian School, Salem, Ore.: November 13 – 17 is Spiritual Renewal Week. Please pray that students, faculty, and staff alike will seek to deepen their faith.

Monday, November 13

Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.: Pray for Bethel College organ instructor Donna Hetrick and guest musician Alan Wenger as they give a recital at the college tomorrow evening.

Bluffton (Ohio) University: Please pray for Bluffton's campus community and our guests as we contemplate major questions during "Tempest: Music and Poetry for a Regenerative Earth" tomorrow, Nov. 14. During the event, musicians play pieces from the 15th-17th centuries while poets connect the art, music, and politics of the Renaissance era with the ecological and social crises of our own time.

Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.: We pray for the students, staff, and faculty involved in our fall sports programs.

Tuesday, November 14

Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale, Pa.: Please pray for Dock's kitchen staff as they prepare the food for our monthly family meal tomorrow.

Dock Mennonite Academy's Early Childhood – Grade 8 Campus, Lansdale, Pa.: Please pray for all the Dock families at the EC8 campus as we share a Thanksgiving meal together tomorrow and spend time fellowshiping with our Dock community.

Wednesday, November 15

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.: Please pray for those who are considering engaging Scripture and strengthening their leadership skills through AMBS — whether on campus or at a distance. May God provide clarity for their next steps.

Bluffton (Ohio) University: Please pray for Bluffton University's campus community as we move forward in our five-year strategic plan with attention on academic success, well-being, emotional intelligence, social justice, and advocacy.

Thursday, November 16

Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Ind.: Pray that Bethany Christian High School's cast of *The Curious Savage* will be granted health and the ability to perform their best after many weeks of practice, with performances Nov. 17-19.

Central Christian School, Kidron, Ohio: Please pray for our middle school's fine arts program as they will have their first concert and art show tomorrow, November 17.

MEA Hispanic Ministries: We give thanks for the new MEA Hispanic Ministries – AMBS Graduate Certificate in Theology program, in partnership with Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. This is the first graduate certificate program offered in Spanish by a Mennonite Church USA seminary! Please pray for the students, teachers, and administrators.

Friday, November 17

Lezha (Albania) Academic Center: Tomorrow, Nov. 18, there will be an auction in Chesapeake, Va., with all the proceeds benefitting Lezha Academic Center. This is the first time we have organized such an event, and we pray for a good turnout.

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener, Ont.:

The MCC Ontario Peace Conference will be happening at Rockway this year, tomorrow, November 18. Please pray for the organizers and facilitators as they plan for the conference titled "Speaking Truth...Building Peace." May they inspire and inform their participants through interactive workshops, drama, art, and conversations.

Saturday, November 18

Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.: We pray for success as we begin our annual Christmas fund drive and our campaign to complete The Gathering Space in the elementary school.

Mennonite Early Childhood Network: Pray that adults will thank God daily for good gifts. Pray that they will be empowered with the Holy Spirit's aid to nurture the hearts and minds of young children toward gratitude by together recognizing gifts both great and small AND expressing appreciation for them.

Sunday, November 19

Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School: Pray for continued energy, enthusiasm, and good health for faculty and students at Lancaster Mennonite School as they enter the excitement of the holiday seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Western Christian School, Salem, Ore.: Please pray for unity and healing within our community. Ask God for wisdom and discernment for our leadership team.

Monday, November 20

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.: Please pray for participants in AMBS's two-year Transition to Leadership program, which guides and nurtures new pastors in their first years of ministry.

Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.: Pray for Bethel College students traveling for the Thanksgiving break this week, and for the generous folks who will host international students during this time.

Tuesday, November 21

Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.: We will pause and give thanks and pray for safety during Thanksgiving break.

Lezha (Albania) Academic Center: In addition to many other activities, we will celebrate Thanksgiving with Guri i THemelit church, parents, students, and teachers from LAC – around 250 people! We will pray for God's presence, asking God to speak to the people who will be in the celebration. Please pray for the organizers of the event as well.

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener, Ont.:

Rockway's Annual General Meeting will take place online tomorrow, November 22. We ask for prayers over the Board and Administration Team as they prepare for this important event in the life of our school. All are welcome to join - email agm@rockway.ca for the Zoom link.

Wednesday, November 22

Kraybill Mennonite School, Mt. Joy, Pa.: Our Thanksgiving break is November 22-26. Pray for each member of our school community, that this will be a time of rest, connection with family and friends, and reflection on God's many blessings in our lives.

Quakertown (Pa.) Christian School: During this Thanksgiving Break, QCS shares our thanks with our partners who contribute with prayer, support, and financial gifts. We give thanks for our partners and their shared vision for our ministry.

Thursday, November 23

Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va.:

Please pray for a safe, restful, and meaningful Thanksgiving break with friends and family.

Goshen (Ind.) College: Please pray for Goshen College students, especially those who will celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday far away from their families.

Friday, November 24

Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale, Pa.: Please pray for Dock High School Theater and Athletic groups.

The City School, Philadelphia, Pa.: Please pray for the students, faculty, administration, and staff as they seek to be a light in the city.

Saturday, November 25

Freeman (S.D.) Academy: Please pray for our special fundraising drive this year to match budget to mission. Please pray for enrollment concerns.

Sunday, November 26

Central Christian School, Kidron, Ohio: Pray for our elementary school teachers for their Collaboration Day tomorrow, November 27, as they will be finalizing their plans for our first-ever "Elementary Mini-Term" offerings in January.

Monday, November 27

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.:

Give thanks for the global diversity of AMBS's graduate student body, and that students from 22 countries across the world can learn and grow with each other.

Tuesday, November 28

Dock Mennonite Academy, Lansdale, Pa.: Please pray for Dock seniors as they feel the pressure of post-high school decisions and the application process.

Wednesday, November 29

Eastern Mennonite School, Harrisonburg, Va.: We pray for a successful fall concert season. The high school will be performing highlights from Handel's Messiah tomorrow, Nov. 30, while our middle and elementary school students prepare to perform various pieces.

Thursday, November 30

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.:

AMBS's Pastors & Leaders 2024 conference will focus on "Strategies for Peacemaking." Pray that God's Spirit would guide preparations for the Feb. 19–22 event, which will be held both in person and online.

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