

# **The Charlottetown Christian Reformed Church**

exists to be a unified community of believers which . . .

- Loves and Worships God,
- Loves and Cares for each other,
- Encourages and Equips each other to live for Christ,
- Reaches out to a broken world to tell others about Jesus.



**The Charlottetown CRC praying together as we reach  
out to others with the love of Christ...**

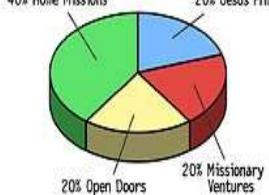
**June 2020**

In order to make our church's monthly Prayer Brochure as relevant as possible, **we would like information on what is happening in the lives of our congregation members.**

- Do you belong to an organization that has an annual meeting coming up?
- Do you belong to a group that is looking for volunteers?
- Would you or a group you belong to like us to pray for a specific cause?

If you have information you would like to see included in the Prayer Brochure, please connect with one of the Prayer Brochure Team Members: Joanne McIsaac, Cynthia Speelman and Monique Mowat (ex officio). Email Joanne McIsaac at [jomcisaac@hotmail.com](mailto:jomcisaac@hotmail.com) or phone her at 902-676-2951 or connect with any team member after church.

We encourage you to add notes regarding your personal prayers in the space provided. Why not also check the church bulletin on a weekly basis for up-to-date requests for petitioning, thanksgiving and praise?

	<p><b><u>Christian Motorcyclists Association:</u></b> The Christian Motorcyclists Association is a non-profit, inter-denominational association of Christians who ride motorcycles. It is not a club or a bike gang but a ministry whose individual chapters are involved in local biking events. For some bikers, CMA is as close to church as they will get and the only way they might hear about Jesus and see what it looks like to have Him in their lives.</p>	<p>This week's personal concerns and current requests as per the bulletin:</p>										
<p>Mon. June 1</p>	<p>Jesus, we thank You that the Christian Motorcyclists Association and its three partner ministries have been able to reach lives for You in over 190 countries. Bless the CMA's efforts, we pray, as it strives to fulfil its mandate of "Changing the World One Heart at a Time for Jesus Christ".</p>	<p>This week please pray for Community Group East Elder: <u>Rit Van Nieuwenhuizen</u>.</p>										
<p>Tues. June 2</p>	<p>Holy Spirit, encourage evangelists Malcolm Read and Peter Helgerson as they disciple the Christian Motorcyclists Association members and also as they reach out to other bikers. Fill each CMA member with boldness, we pray, as he/she shares the gospel with others.</p>	<p>Join us as we pray on the 1st Wed. of each month from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. We pray for our Council and for the concerns of our congregation.</p>										
<p>Wed. June 3</p>	<p>Lord, we pray for Ministry opportunities during these unusual times. Help Christian Motorcyclists Association members to find new and innovative ways to interact with the biker community.</p>	<p>We meet on Zoom. If you are interested in joining us for part or all of this time, please contact</p>										
<p>Thurs. June 4</p>	<p>Today we pray for the local Chapter of the Christian Motorcyclists Association called the "Island Christian Riders"; may this chapter grow and be an effective ministry on PEI. We pray especially for Klaas and Alice Nieuwhof from our church, who are active members of this chapter.</p>	<p>Joanne McIsaac at <a href="mailto:jomcisaac@hotmail.com">jomcisaac@hotmail.com</a></p>										
<p>Fri. June 5</p>	<p>Father, it is so disappointing that the annual "Run for the Son" bike run, which is the Association's main fundraiser, will not be going ahead as it usually does on the first Sat. in June. We pray that money will still be raised for CMA's ministry causes despite the cancelation of this and other fundraising events.</p>	<p>To donate to CMA, click: <a href="https://www.canadahel ps.org/en/charities/christian-motorcyclists-association-of-canada-inc/p2p/RFTS/team/island-christian-riders/captain/klaas-alice-nieuwhof/">https://www.canadahel ps.org/en/charities/christian-motorcyclists-association-of-canada-inc/p2p/RFTS/team/island-christian-riders/captain/klaas-alice-nieuwhof/</a></p>										
<p>Sat. June 6</p>	<p>Lord, we pray that people will consider donating online to the CMA' ministry causes so that the message of salvation can be brought to people around the world. We know that You are bigger than all of the changed plans caused by COVID-19. Help us all to trust in You.</p>	<p><b>RUN FOR THE SON</b> Breakdown of Funds</p>  <table border="1"> <caption>Breakdown of Funds</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Percentage</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Home Missions</td> <td>40%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jesus Film</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Open Doors</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Missionary Ventures</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Percentage	Home Missions	40%	Jesus Film	20%	Open Doors	20%	Missionary Ventures	20%
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<p>Sun. June 7</p>	<p>Supreme God, the Christian Motorcyclists Association members rely on Your strength in the Holy Spirit to deal with the Spiritual warfare they experience while doing Your work – continue to provide them this strength, we pray.</p>											

	<p><b><u>Synod:</u></b> The Synod of the CRC represents all the churches of the denomination. Some tasks of Synod include responsibility for creeds, principles of worship, and moral/ethical positions. Synod also provides general oversight for the ministries undertaken jointly by CRC churches. Synod meets annually in June as it was scheduled to do this year from the 12 to the 18<sup>th</sup> but for the first time in the CRC's 160-year history, it has been cancelled and won't convene again until June, 2021.</p>	<p>This week's personal concerns and current requests as per the bulletin:</p>
<p>Mon. June 8</p>	<p>Father, it is inconceivable to us that the meeting of Synod, an event that annually brings together more than 200 leaders from our denomination, would have to be completely cancelled because of the current COVID-19 crisis. We pray that in the face of this pandemic, our church leaders will be able to find innovative ways to fulfil Synod's mandate.</p>	<p>This week please pray for Community Group West Elder: <u>Phillip Bondt.</u></p>
<p>Tues. June 9</p>	<p>Lord, we pray for the Council of Delegates which is the governing board of the Christian Reformed Church; may this 53 member board be effective as it meets virtually to take care of any business items on this year's agenda that cannot be delayed until Synod reconvenes in 2021.</p>	
<p>Wed. June 10</p>	<p>Father, we profess with Synod, that, we as a Christian Reformed Denomination, are a community of believers which seeks to introduce people to Jesus Christ and to nurture their faith through all ages and stages of life. We proclaim that faith comes through the hearing of Your Word and we declare the saving message of Jesus Christ.</p>	
<p>Thurs. June 11</p>	<p>Father, we profess that the lifelong equipping of leaders is essential for churches and ministries to flourish. Help us as a Christian Reformed Denomination to identify, recruit, and train leaders to be servant leaders in Your kingdom, we pray.</p>	
<p>Fri. June 12</p>	<p>Lord, we pray for Synod's effort to engage 18-26 year-olds in the current issues facing our denomination and for its effort to help raise up leadership within the church from among our young adults; may these efforts prove fruitful, we pray.</p>	
<p>Sat. June 13</p>	<p>Father, we profess with Synod, that, as a Christian Reformed Denomination, we are called to a global mission; one where we are to be witnesses of Christ's kingdom to the ends of the earth. Please bless our efforts to start and strengthen local churches in North America &amp; also churches around the world.</p>	
<p>Sun. June 14</p>	<p>Father, we profess with Synod that, as a Christian Reformed Denomination, we are summoned to hear the cries of the oppressed, forsaken, &amp; disadvantaged and that we are to act justly and love mercy as we walk humbly with You, our God.</p>	

	<p><b><u>Indigenous Ministry:</u></b> The CRC's Canadian Indigenous Ministry made up of a National Committee, 3 Urban Ministries and a Justice &amp; Reconciliation Mobilizer, provides leadership and support for teaching and learning about Aboriginal justice and reconciliation. It teaches how the theology of healing, reconciliation and justice can be put into action.</p>	<p>This week's personal concerns and current requests as per the bulletin:</p>
<p>Mon. June 15</p>	<p>Father, we pray for a blessing on the CRC's Canadian Indigenous Ministry as it seeks to support healing, reconciliation and the restoration of relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. Holy Spirit, empower us to live out Your love in community; may everyone involved experience Your healing presence as it brings peace between You, people, and creation.</p>	<p>This week please pray for Community Group West Elder: <u>Garry Renkema.</u></p> <p>Join us as we pray on the 3rd Wed. of each month from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. We pray for our Council and for the concerns of our congregation. We meet on Zoom. If you are interested in joining us for part or all of this time, please contact Joanne McIsaac at <a href="mailto:jomcisaac@hotmail.com">jomcisaac@hotmail.com</a></p> <p>For more info on Aboriginal Ministry, check: <a href="https://www.crcna.org/indigenous">https://www.crcna.org/indigenous</a></p>
<p>Tues. June 16</p>	<p>Father, for Indigenous Canadians who leave reserves looking for a better life, Canada's cities often turn out to be a nightmare rather than a dream-come-true. We pray for those who have this experience; may they find the support they need.</p>	
<p>Wed. June 17</p>	<p>Lord, we are saddened that historically, Indigenous Canadians have been discriminated against in housing, recreation, education and more. We ask you to forgive us and to make us aware of how to do things differently.</p>	
<p>Thurs. June 18</p>	<p>Father we pray for a blessing on the Urban Indigenous Ministry Centres as they strive to help Indigenous Canadians live dignified and harmonious lives. Father, we pray for the Centres in Winnipeg, Regina &amp; Edmonton; may they respond effectively to the spiritual and social needs of the Indigenous men and women in their respective cities.</p>	
<p>Fri. June 19</p>	<p>Lord, we pray that the Urban Indigenous Ministry Centres will be able to continue to incorporate worship and to address the spiritual needs of Indigenous Canadians while simultaneously being multi-service delivery centres.</p>	
<p>Sat. June 20</p>	<p>Father, we thank you for events such as tomorrow's National Indigenous Peoples Day – may this annual opportunity help us to become more aware of how restitution can take place. We celebrate the gifts and richness that Indigenous people bring to life in Canada. How awesome is the diversity in Your creation!</p>	
<p>Sun. June 21</p>	<p>On this Fathers' Day, we pray for all the Dads in the world; may they be selfless in their love and good spiritual leaders for their families. We pray especially for fathers of Indigenous descent who have so many obstacles to overcome. Help them be responsible providers for their children financially, emotionally and spiritually.</p>	

<p><b><i>Charlottetown CRC Council and Pastor Josh:</i></b> The Charlottetown CRC Council is made up of Elders and Deacons chosen by God to oversee the life and activities of our local church. The Council and Pastor Josh make up the team responsible for overseeing the spiritual, administrative and pastoral life of our church and its members.</p>		<p>This week's personal concerns and current requests as per the bulletin:</p>
<p>Mon. June 22</p>	<p>Father, we pray for Council and Pastor Josh as they work together to understand the needs in our congregation; lead them by Your Spirit and in Your power to understand what Your will is. We pray that our church will wholeheartedly trust You in every decision that is made.</p>	<p>This week please pray for Council member: Deacon <u>Mike Hiscock</u>.</p>
<p>Tues. June 23</p>	<p>Father, we thank You for Pastor Josh. We pray for a blessing on Him and on his family; may they, Council and our entire church be bonded together in love – the kind of love, Lord, that makes You visible in the world.</p>	
<p>Wed. June 24</p>	<p>Lord, we pray for the Elders as they connect with the members of their Community Groups. Help them in their role of spiritual leader and encourager. Father, we thank You for William DeHaan and Charlie VanKampen who serve as the Executive; enable them to do their jobs well, we pray.</p>	
<p>Thurs. June 25</p>	<p>To be a Deacon, Father, takes a special skillset and we thank You for the men who fill that role in our church. Help them know how to respond appropriately to those who are in need of the resources they are able to provide,</p>	
<p>Fri. June 26</p>	<p>We know, Lord, that good communication is vital to a good relationship between Council, Pastor and Church and so we pray for that now. Please enable each of us to express ourselves clearly and protect us from misunderstandings, we pray.</p>	
<p>Sat. June 27</p>	<p>Jesus, our Leader and King, we know that You have a plan for us as a church – a plan to prosper us and not to harm us. We claim that promise today as we pray for those who are in leadership positions; bless them with a sense of unity and peace as they make decisions.</p>	
<p>Sun. June 28</p>	<p>Father, we are thankful for the elders and deacons that make up our Council: we pray that they will continue to lead our congregation well with the gifts and skills You have given them and may we as a congregation show genuine respect to those whom you have placed in leadership positions.</p>	

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