

Classis Toronto Prayer Calendar

This month's prayer items are focused on Holland Marsh CRC (HM) the Heritage Fellowship CRC (HF), and the Classis Ministry Committee (CMC) / Classis Executive Committee (CEC). Please use this prayer guide in your church, small groups, at the family table and in your individual prayer times.



- 1 This year many teams and committees of Classis will be reflecting on Luke 10:1-12. Pray that we all may grow in our understanding of what it means to join in Christ's mission to the world.
- 2 Praise God for HM. Thank God that this congregation is part of our community of CRCs in central Ontario. Pray that God will be glorified through this congregation.
- 3 Praise God for HF. Thank God that this congregation is part of our community of CRCs in central Ontario. Pray that God will be glorified through this congregation.
- 4 Praise God for the people who volunteer to work on the CMC of Classis. The work of this committee is important for Classis Toronto as they collaborate and plan together. Pray that this team will be energized to do this work.
- 5 Praise God with HM for Rev. Richard Bodini's presence in their congregation. Pray for him as he leads this congregation.
- 6 Pray for HF as they search for a minister to replace Herman Praamsma as he retires in October.
- 7 Pray for the CMC as they nurture vision and planning within Classis Toronto. Pray that they may be able to stimulate and guide our joint ministries effectively, listening to what God wants to do in our midst.
- 8 Praise God with HM for the VBS they were able to have last month. They are thankful that about two-thirds of the participants were not members of the congregation. Pray for those who are now planning to follow-up with these families and pray that the families have a desire to know more about God.
- 9 Pray for those in the HF community who are bereaved and lonely. Pray that God will comfort them and that the community can be part of that comfort.
- 10 Pray for the CEC who meets today to take care of some in between business of Classis and begin planning for the next Classis Meeting. Pray that they will be able to discern what God wants to do in Classis Toronto.
- 11 Pray with HM that their budget and ministry shares may be met this year.
- 12 Praise God that the members of HF are learning and growing in their faith.
- 13 Pray for the CMC as they make recommendations for 2011's budget. Pray that they may be able to discern the best use of our financial resources for furthering God's mission here in our Classis.
- 14 Pray for those members of the HM who are distant and have stopped coming to church. Pray that the attending members will want to reach out to them and show Christ's love to them.
- 15 Pray for the community at HF, sometimes it is a challenge to live in your church community. Pray that relationships may be blessed and that those who feel alone may experience the presence of God and others in a very real way.

16 Pray for the CEC as they supervise the work of the Ministry Coordinator and Stated Clerk. Pray that the CEC will be able to provide appropriate support and encouragement to Elizabeth Guillaume-Koene and John Meiboom.

17 Praise God for how HM is present in their community, through community suppers, providing lunch and ESL to Mexican migrant workers, new baby visits, the food bank, Mercy House and Teen Challenge. Pray that they may find ways to grow deeper roots into the community.

18 Praise God with HF as they anticipate becoming an independent church in the New Year. Praise God for a good relationship with the CrossPoint congregation.

19 Pray for the CMC who meets this evening to share what is happening in the committees and to plan for the next Classis Meeting. Pray that the team may become excited by what is happening in Classis.

20 Praise God for the Sunday evening services at HM where they have seminar and discussion on the Heidelberg Catechism. Pray that they may be able to connect what they believe with what they are doing in the community.

21 Praise God for the unique situation HF is in as it is a fellowship of people from many different denominations that can worship God together despite their differences. Pray that God may continue to be glorified through this interdenominational worship.

22 Pray for the Stated Clerk, John Meiboom, as he prepares the agenda for the October 7 Classis Meeting.

23 Pray for the youth of HM. Pray that they may become more involved in the church community.

24 Pray with HF as they reach out to those in their community who do not know Christ. Pray that they may always carry with them the Good News.

25 Pray that the CMC will be able to support the churches in Classis to continue finding ways and means to reach out to our communities.

26 Pray with HM for their fall adult catechism class. Pray that many people will attend and that it may be a time of growth in their faith and understanding of the Reformed tradition.

27 Pray with HF for those in their community who have been hurt by the church or lapsed in their faith. Pray that they will find healing in the Lord and that congregation can be part of the healing process.

28 Pray that there may be unity on the CMC. The members are representatives from different ministries in Classis but need to be one in Christ so that all the ministries may be effective in showing the love of Christ to each other and the world.

29 Praise God with HM for how they are able to walk alongside each other and see how that changes their lives. Pray that God may strengthen their faith as a community.

30 Praise God for the council of HF and how they can work together even when they do not always agree. Pray that they may continue to find office bearers to lead the congregation.

31 As those involved in Classis continue to reflect on Luke 10:1-12, pray that they may begin to see what God is up to among us and be able to discern what God wants to do among us.