
































Classis Toronto Prayer Calendar

This month's prayer items are focussed on Community CRC of Richmond Hill, the Classis Toronto Nominating Committee and the Christian Reformed Church Extension Fund. Please use this prayer guide in your church, small groups, at the family table and in your individual prayer times.



-  Praise God for Community CRC of Richmond Hill. Thank God for their presence in Classis Toronto and how God has been glorified in their congregation. Pray that they might continue to worship and praise God together.
-  Praise God with Community CRC of Richmond Hill for the six or so young people who made profession of faith this spring. Pray that these new members would continue to grow in their faith and find places to serve in the church.
-  Praise God for the Classis Toronto Nominating Committee who serves our Classis by recruiting members of our churches to serve in our Classis ministries.
-  Pray for those from Community CRC of Richmond Hill who are going on SERVE this month and for those who are planning a trip to Guatemala in December.
-  Praise God for the CRC Extension Fund which provides affordable mortgages for churches and Christian schools.
-  Pray that Community CRC of Richmond Hill may be very evident in the life of their community. Pray that their church may get to know those in the community who do not know God.
-  Praise God for all those from the congregations who set aside time to volunteer for our ministries. Praise God that there are people from 19 of our churches who participate on teams and committees to do ministry together.
-  Praise God for all those who make the work of the CRC Extension Fund possible by investing with the fund.
-  Pray that the members of Community CRC of Richmond Hill will truly grasp what it means to enfold people who come through their doors. Pray that this enfolding may naturally happen and that all people will experience God in and through the church.
-  Pray that God would call people from our Classis to the ministries of Classis that reflect the diversity represented among us including our geographic diversity, ethnic diversity and gender diversity.
-  Praise God with the CRC Extension Fund for 40 years of service in Canada.
-  Praise God with Community CRC of Richmond Hill for the worship renewal seminars they have had this year. Pray that their worship would continue to glorify God. Pray for their worship leaders who have been called to lead the congregation in their worship of God.
-  Pray for the CRC Extension Fund as they have more money than they can effectively place in loans (due to denominational restrictions). Pray that the board may be able to effectively meet the challenge of managing the extra cash.
-  Pray that the CRC Extension Fund may find appropriate ways to donate the extra money to causes in ways that glorifying to God and promote good stewardship.

-  Give thanks to God for those who are finishing their terms this year and pray that God will provide people to fill the open positions.
-  Praise God with Community CRC of Richmond Hill for the heart for missions that they have in their congregation.
-  Pray that those recruited by the Nominating Committee will understand what they are asked to do and be able to glorify God in the work they do.
-  Pray for Community CRC of Richmond Hill's Dinner Club which is a practical way they can show the love of God. Pray that those people who attend would not only call Community CRC their church but will also begin to attend the worship services and become enfolded into the community.
-  Pray that the Nominating Committee, the congregations, the committees and the Classis Ministry Committee will all be able to communicate with each other effectively.
-  Pray with Community CRC of Richmond Hill for their vision, mission and renewal process they have begun. Pray that it will be a time of refreshing and discerning what direction God wants them to go.
-  Praise God for the faithful constituency that not only feels safe investing their money in the CRC Extension Fund but also wants to see their investment used to build the body of Christ.
-  Pray that the work of the Nominating Committee may not grow tiresome but may be energizing and hopeful.
-  Praise God for the after school program run by the Youth Pastor of Community CRC of Richmond Hill. Pray that it may continue its relationship with the local public school in the next school year.
-  Praise God for the reliable administrator that the CRC Extension Fund has. Pray for Harry Houtman as he serves in this capacity.
-  Pray for the staff of Community CRC of Richmond Hill: Rev. Doug Nieuwstraten (Pastor); Jack Klooster (Youth Pastor) and Diane Hoving (Administrator). Pray that they may be servant leaders.
-  Give thanks to God for a good working board for the CRC Extension Fund. Pray that these people will have wisdom and discernment as they handle large amounts of money.
-  Pray that the phone calls made in the next few months by the Nominating Committee will be well-received and productive.
-  Pray that Community CRC of Richmond Hill may have the mind and attitude of Christ Jesus: being one in spirit and purpose, looking to the interests of others and becoming servants to each other and their community (Philippians 2).
-  Pray that the Extension Fund will be able to continue to serve the church and Christian school community in the coming years.
-  Pray that the work done in through the Nominating Committee be righteousness and praise before our Lord.
-  Pray with Community CRC of Richmond Hill that they may be challenged by Christ's invitation to join in God's mission of reconciliation.