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✓ **Examples of how some people use their *Life Support* Prayer Calendar:**

- ◆ Post the prayer calendar in a visible spot, such as the refrigerator door or wall by the computer.
- ◆ Make a copy to keep in your Bible for prayer time and Prayer groups and Bible study groups.
- ◆ Include the prayers in Sunday School class

...and invite others to commit to prayer for PPL.

Have you moved?
Or would you like to receive your prayer calendar by email?
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A Call to Prayer

“Be prepared. You’re up against far more than you can handle on your own...God’s Word is an indispensable weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open...” Ephesians 6:13-18 (The Message)

Following the sweet fellowship of Advent and Christmas, the intimacies and mysteries of Lent, the joys of the Easter season and the promise of Pentecost, the summer months present us with a bit of a disconnect. The liturgical among us call it “Ordinary Time” – there is no special spiritual focus, no particular ecclesial celebrations to anticipate or prepare for. Without the “white noise” of church activities to draw our attention away from the cares of the world, Ordinary Time allows The Troubles of the World to grow louder in the background and disturb our peace.

Ordinary Time is its own kind of revelation: not the revelation of Incarnation or Resurrection or new birth, but the revelation of why we need such things at all from the hand of God. Ordinary Time emerges out of the mists that mark the borders of Easter and shows itself on the other side of Pentecost’s flames, spanning the days to the next Advent.

There are people and institutions for whom Ordinary Time is a metaphor for existence plagued by confusion, fraught with suffering, littered with the lonely, the weak and the cast off. In a single Ordinary Day the ships of nations shudder in rough waters with no steady hand at the helm; their people wander homeless and often unwelcome in strange lands; the treasure of their youth are caught in the briar patch of cultural chaos; nascent persons are threatened in the womb; the weak are pushed aside; the wisdom of gray heads is laughed off.

It is into this world of Ordinary Time that God’s Holy People are launched by the winds of Pentecost to undertake extraordinary work: to establish a bridgehead – a defensible foothold - to be expanded as more troops join the force to push back the darkness. In the world of Ordinary Time we are called to stand – on our knees by our beds, in our prayer closets, on our morning walks, at the dinner table, in our cars at stop lights, in our churches – and speak short prayers, long prayers, desperate prayers and breath prayers of the promises of God’s grace, mercy and deliverance into the lives of those whose only and all-sufficient Advocate is God. Thank you for standing with us.

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MAY

May 1-7

1. Read I Chronicles 16:8-36; Genesis 1 & 2
2. Praise and adore the Lord, maker of heaven and earth.
3. Praise the King of heaven, the One who firmly establishes His purposes and will not be moved.

May 8-14

1. Read Psalm 139
2. Pray the Father's protection for all unborn babies residing in their mother's wombs.
3. Thank God for your mother and for the gift of life.

May 15-21

1. Read Psalm 1
2. Ask the Lord to prosper the work of Marie Bowen and members of the PPL Board of Directors as they prepare for multiple denominational meetings.
3. Pray that church leaders will not walk in the counsel of the wicked, but would delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night.

May 22-28

1. Read Psalm 23
2. Pray for a pregnant woman—especially one in difficult circumstances—that she will be led to God's green pastures and know the still waters of the Lord her shepherd.
3. Pray for pastors and elders speaking to their churches about life issues, that God will anoint them and fill their cups to overflowing with His goodness and mercy.

JUNE

May 29 – June 4

1. Read Psalm 37
2. Pray that God would cut off those who would speak against His Sovereignty over all life.
3. Pray for advocates for life facing opposition in their churches; that they will not fret but will be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him.

June 5-11

1. Read Ephesians 2:1-10; Philippians 1:3-11
2. Pray for those who work on behalf of the gospel, that they never forget that they are saved by faith, which is a gift from God.
3. Thank God the Father that He is the One who will complete the good work He has begun.

June 12-18

1. Read Psalm 16; Psalm 18
2. Pray for traveling mercies for PPL teams attending the PCA, EPC, and PCUSA General Assemblies.
3. Pray for the PPL Teams and for their families; that the Lord would be their Rock, their Fortress; their Deliverer.

June 19-25

1. Read Psalm 104; Isaiah 40:9-31
2. Pray that all that is done this week at the various Presbyterian assemblies will be pleasing to the Lord our God.
3. Pray that God will strengthen those who are speaking out this week to defend the pre-born and those facing the end of life.

JULY

June 26 - July 2

1. Read Habakkuk 3:17-19; Philippians 4:4-7
2. Pray that whatever the outcome of our assemblies, we know that our joy is in the God of our salvation, not in the decisions of men and women.
3. Pray that the members of the PPL Board will remember to rejoice and give thanks to the God of their salvation.

July 3-9

1. Read Psalm 34
2. Pray for those women who are in a difficult place and have chosen life; that they would taste and see that the Lord is good.
3. Pray for those who work daily in Crisis Pregnancy centers; that they will take refuge in the Lord and will lack no good thing.

July 10-16

1. Read Psalm 1
2. Pray for those in our world who walk in the council of the wicked, stand in the way of sinners, and sit in the seat of scoffers; that the Holy Spirit would change their hearts to delight in the law of the LORD and meditate on His law.
3. Pray that church leaders would be like trees planted by streams of water (pardon, grace, promise) and yield their fruit (peace, patience, kindness).

July 17-23

1. Read Psalm 2
2. Pray that Jesus Christ the King would rule in the hearts of His people.
3. Pray for those in the abortion industry that lie to young woman about their babies; that they would repent and turn from their ways lest the King be angry and they perish in their way.

July 24-30

1. Read Psalm 3
2. Pray for the PPL Board Members to stand in the strength of the LORD, their shield and glory, the lifter of their heads.
3. Pray that PPL Executive Director Marie Bowen will rest in and be sustained by the LORD and not allow her fears to cause her anxiety.

AUGUST

July 31 - August 6

1. Pray Psalm 4
2. Pray that women in crisis pregnancies will call upon the LORD and will receive the relief only He can give them in their distress.
3. Pray that we would be angry against the sin of abortion, yet not sin in our anger but would put our trust in the LORD.

August 7-13

1. Read Psalm 5
2. Pray and give thanks that our God does not delight in wickedness and that one day He will destroy those who speak lies and will cast out those who rebel against Him.
3. Pray that the LORD will spread His protection over those who take refuge in Him, over those who love His name and sing for joy in His salvation.

August 14-20

1. Read Psalm 6
2. Pray for those who minister in elder care and hospice centers, that they will not tire nor despair, but will trust in the One who hears their plea and accepts their prayer.
3. Pray and give thanks that we serve a faithful God who never fails, even in the darkest of circumstances.

August 21-27

1. Read Psalm 7
2. Pray that the evil of the wicked would come to an end and that God would establish His righteousness.
3. Pray and give to the LORD the thanks due His righteousness; singing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.

August 28 – Sep 3

1. Read Psalm 8
2. Pray and give praise that our God has ordained that the weak will silence the powerful, that out of the mouth of babes and infants He has established His strength.
3. Pray and give thanks for the Creation, the work of our Creator.