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Continue steadfastly in prayer,
being watchful in it
with thanksgiving.

Col. 4:2 (ESV)

September, a perfect time to pray for students and teachers. Tens of thousands of new students come from little Ontario villages and countries around the world to study at the UofT, TMU, George Brown, etc. Knox is so beautifully positioned. Pray for God's connections as Nicky and The Mission Hub staff and all of us reach out.

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Elaine Esser, Owen Sound. (Underlining the above.) "Please pray for the students going off to schools away from their homes and families. May the Lord provide them with Christian friends and churches to worship in as they pursue higher education."

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Khevna & Sharon, Knox Missions Hub. "Praise God for good space and time with our leaders during our retreat together. We collected stories that are up on our Instagram. Please pray many would be encouraged by how God is at work in our community. Please also pray for great strength and joy as we launch into the new school year!"

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change. "Pray as students return, that those who don't know Jesus would become friends with Christians and encounter Jesus; that students would find a community on campus and a church where they can continue to grow and feel safe; that they would experience the goodness and presence of God daily."

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Ann Chow, Event & Project Management. September is huge for Ann. "September 1, I'll be traveling to the Philippines to work with my #HACK (hack.indigitous.org) colleagues in person. September 22-28, the Lausanne Movement global congress is happening. 5000 people from 170 countries will come together. Each afternoon, our amazing team will be running a collaboration process, addressing 25 issues felt around the world." Pray for God's hand in Lausanne's crucial focus on world evangelism, and for wisdom and strength for Ann.

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Sylvia Dresser, Waterloo. It is some time since she requested prayer for her son Andrew's vision after he was told that it would get worse, and that he would see very little. "God intervened and the last check with the optometrist indicated that his vision has improved to the point that there is only mild vision loss. However he now has COVID so please pray for full and speedy recovery."

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S & H, Mexico. Please lift up H who has been experiencing growing chest pains which are now being investigated by a cardiologist. God give peace as S & H await the possibility of future witness where they served before, and currently continue to minister in their homeland.

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Gus & Marliese, London. “Please continue praying for our mall Bible study.... I recently talked with a man who may join us. Prayer for a Yazidi man, as well as my Palestinian friend.”

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Susan Jeffery, CANIL, Abbotsford. “The last batch (#55) of CanIL Library books and periodicals was moved to Alloway Library on Aug. 15th. This month my focus will be dealing with 1,500 books that Alloway Library didn’t accept because of their condition, or because they already had them. Please pray that the shelving in CanIL Library doesn’t disappear (a seminary in Vancouver has expressed interest in it) before I’ve been able to find new homes for many of these books.”

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I & S. “We invited a dozen new Muslim friends from I’s coworking space to our home. Please pray for continued opportunity with them. We are praying for healing for our neighbour’s son who needs emergency surgery. She knows we pray to Jesus and asked us to pray. We are so grateful for a month of establishing routine, and ask for blessing in our language learning. Sending love!”

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Chyrl Basa, FFM. “We are so thankful to the Lord for Knox Church support and partnership in this special prayer ministry.” A prayer partner recently shared, “It was in Prairie Bible College in Alberta where we were introduced to FFM and began using and deeply appreciating its prayer bulletins. This resulted to us applying to serve among the Malay Muslims of South Thailand....” Praise God and ask for His choices to join the FFM Board.”

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Knox Camp. 102 campers attended over the 7 weeks. Pray for the impact on all these children and also for the staff members, many of whom are students beginning the new academic year. Also, it is not too soon to begin praying for camp leadership and planning for 2025.

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Our sponsored refugee family. We don’t see our family of five Sunday by Sunday as the Haidarys fellowship with a co-sponsoring Afghan Church. Do remember them as they continue to adjust to life in Canada. It’s been half a year already and our official sponsorship ends in February 2025. They cope with language and cultural adjustments, school, looking ahead to employment and possibly new housing. Christ guide in all.

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. “At the end of September, the Committee on Foreign Missions (CFM) of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC) will meet to finalize new candidate selections. Two pastors have applied to work with our team in Mbale. The Uganda mission hopes to meet before that in person to give our recommendations. We need discernment, unified vision, and improved communication.”

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Colin & Rachel McCordic, AIM, Chad. “Growing crops in Chad is a constant challenge—some years there is not enough rain, other years there is too much. Pray for good harvests this year as most Chadians are dependant on what their fields can grow. There are always many physical needs around us. Please pray that the Lord will give us compassion and wisdom when helping others.”

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel, Arizona. Pray for perseverance and grace for our “retired” missionaries in their writing efforts: Mary Anne is writing her spiritual autobiography and is working and praying for a publication date before mid-November. **Sylvia Dresser** is working on a missions history that focuses on Irian Jaya/Papua, a part of Indonesia where she and her husband Dr. Ken served faithfully for

decades.

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Luke & Yuko Elliot, Aomori Christian Center, Japan. At this time, some of the most intensive camping activity will be ending and the family also sees the three eldest returning to school abroad. Pray for the family in all the adjustments involved. Christ be at the centre of their busy lives.

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Aina Dobilaitė, Lithuania. "God gave me a great vacation in July, but August and the beginning of another year of ministry met me with anxiety and overwhelmed. Our ministries at church continue to increase but the number of us ministering here is the same. So the prayer request would be for God to send more full-time workers and also for more involvement from our church community."

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan. "May God bless and guide Paul and all the Bible translation teams he supports in Taiwan, as they continue their 'long obedience in the same direction' (E. Peterson)."

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Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. "Teaching the pastoral trainees in August strengthened our souls! Several mentees and I will be attending a conference, 'Made for Intimacy', with Ed Welch (of CCEF in Philadelphia) on the 20th and 21st. May this be encouraging to us all—and hopefully after I have a few days of rest early in the month. Unfortunately, my financial support is in serious need of help—prayers to that end are also greatly appreciated!"

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KWM. Pray for Jeff Bloom and the KWM Committee as they listen to the Lord, while weighing the various needs and opportunities open to Knox and our missionaries. Ask for prayer and financial supports that meet the current needs and open doors for future opportunities.

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Dave & Rani, Mission Go, Brampton. Please pray for Deepak as he is now in his first year of Engineering at McMaster University (residence). Pray for focus and discipline. Devanand and Rani would like to serve in India from Nov. 2024-Feb. 2025. Please pray that some Christian friend or someone who they feel comfortable with could stay in part of their house while they are away as this is essential. Thanks for your prayers!

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Marg Roth, Waterloo. "Tests still continue with no deciding results which just seems to lead to more tests. It really would be nice to know what we are dealing with and then do it. The fellow I mentioned last time (the hospital staff I talked with) has accepted the Lord. PTL"

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ALPHA. Pray for the Lord's leading in any future long range planning for meetings and follow-up. There is no question that there has been a real impact for Christ from previous ALPHAs hosted by Knox. How best to meet this need and opportunity?

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, Mesa Global. Isabela and David's wedding was beautiful and God was honoured as the Gospel was preached throughout the ceremony. Pray for them as they embark on their newly married life. Carluci continues to work on the Latin American mission network in Canada (Red Latina de Misiones), under the umbrella of COMIBAM. "There are now eight coordinators of

biblical expository preaching circles. Please pray for their continued commitment to the formation of new biblical expositors.”

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Hanneke Cost Budde, Tanzania. Jacky, Faraja and Kiri all coped with exams, and Kiri will continue with a diploma course in animal health. Pray that a biopsy on her breast lump will prove it is benign. Ngassa and Mfaume will soon be in the employment-seeking stage, while Baraka will be choosing further studies. “I thank God for the strength and energy He gives me to carry on with my work and taking care of kids and Daniel.”

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Jim Mason, Challenge Enterprises, Ghana. Rev. Mrs. Nana Kegya Appiah-Adu, a volunteer with CEG’s Prison Ministry, reached the age of 60 in June. Praise! Pray she will continue to grow in grace as she ministers to inmates and prison officers. Pray also for the outreach of Good News Bible Church, a CEG partner, as it mobilizes resources to support prison inmates.

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Mary Jane, Texas. This has been a month of physical challenge with many doctors' appointments. The excessive heat has discouraged visiting in the playground and from door to door in the former neighborhood.... Pray for the Christian community of Lebanon, that hearts and minds will focus on the blessing of knowing Jesus the Lord rather than on the current political situation. Amen, come quickly, Lord Jesus.

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Bill Fitch. Listen to Learn. “Listen to Learn is exploring the purchase of 3 or 4 used motorbikes in Kenya & Uganda. This is because our newly trained regional leaders are so eager to reach new villages... so it makes us smile! Pray for wisdom to make good choices.”

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Phase II Workers. John & Debra Bowen, Glenn & Fern Byerly, Eleanor Crabtree, Gladys Linthicum, Norine Love, Patsy McCarthy, David & Angela Morris, Barbara Rahn, Pamela Stedman, Diana Wadsworth, Rosemary Walker.