

Team Belize Prayer Calendar

September 2020

Tues 1 – **Pray** for the Belize government to have wisdom as they face an increase in crime. Also, as COVID cases spiked in Belize by 900 cases, fatalities are increasing. The main hospital in Belize City is full. Belize is on tight lockdown again so churches cannot meet. **Pray** that the government will make wise decisions and will treat the Church as a critical component of society. **Pray** for wisdom as the Stodghills, Calls, and all the Belize pastors seek to continue their various church activities online for the indefinite future. **Pray** for the continued financial pressures placed on families as the economy struggles due to the pandemic.

Wed 2 – **Pray** for Harvest Presbyterian Church (Calcutta Village mission church, near Corozal town) as they adjust to not being able to meet together again. **Ask** God to bring people to faith through the ministry of the church. **Pray** for spiritual growth and maturity for the attendees, that they would be filled with knowledge and spiritual wisdom and would walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him being fruitful.

Thurs 3 – **Pray** for Leogardo Catzim (wife, Jenny) and his family. **Pray** for numerical and spiritual growth in the San Jose church. **Praise** that Ray Call is now assisting Leogardo at the San Pablo and Orange Walk churches where Leogardo pastors. **Pray** that Leogardo will be a good husband and father. **Ask** God to protect their family from the schemes of Satan. **Pray** for wisdom and time management as he works with the churches, serves as the treasurer of executive committee and also serves on commissions of presbytery.

Fri 4 – Schools will open in early September all online throughout the country. **Pray** for Presbyterian Day School who had their limited government stipend cut by 1/3 this year. MTW and the Belize team have set up an MTW account to assist the school with capital projects and shortfalls in teacher salaries. We are soliciting for donations and sponsors in this effort.

Sat 5 – **Pray** for the staff of the Presbyterian Medical Clinic as they serve the community while taking precautions for COVID-19. Pray for the staff to remain faithful in witnessing to patients and extending compassionate care. Also, **pray** that some needed medicine and medical supplies and equipment can be sent to the clinic. They have 11 staff members: Pamela Murray, Dr. Einstein Bodden, Patty Ku, Esther Ku, Mariana Lopez, Arturo Ku, Marcos Balaam, Hilario Nah, Marcela Villamil, Rosa Uh, and nurse midwife, Estela Uk.

Sun 6 – **Pray** for John and Karen Stodghill (MTW) as they minister in Santa Elena. **Ask** God to give them wisdom, protection, and guidance as the church begins meeting together at the church building again. **Praise** that two missionary candidate families are interested in joining the Belize Team. **Pray** that both families will be able to make site visits as soon as possible for the next step in their application process. John also asks **prayer** for a Bible study to begin in the capital, Belmopan, this fall as the first step for planning a new ministry site.

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- Mon 7** – Continue to **pray** for Ray and Michelle Call and their family. Ray is teaching leadership development class on Tuesday nights via Zoom for men from the San Pablo and Orange Walk churches. He leads prayer meeting for both churches on Wednesday, holds Zoom service on Sunday and records sermons on YouTube for those who do not have reliable internet. Michele leads a women's Zoom Bible study for the Orange Walk Church and hopes to start a mothers' prayer meeting at Presbyterian Day School.
- Tues 8** – John Stodghill asks **prayer** for church officers training for two men at Bethany Church. **Pray** that pastors, elders, deacons, and school teachers will seek first God's Kingdom, trust in God's sovereign rule and know His peace and joy daily as they serve in their various ministry roles. **Ask** God to grant good working relationships and a spirit of unity among the leaders. **Pray** for the seminary board of directors as they lead the seminary.
- Wed 9** – **Pray** that God would protect church members and communities in Belize from a serious case of COVID-19, especially the elderly and those with other conditions. **Pray** that many people will come to faith in Belize during this time when people are fearful of sickness and death. John and Ray both ask us to **pray** that God would give the Church a desire to evangelize and that hearts will be ready to receive the Gospel message during these uncertain times.
- Thurs 10** – **Pray** for Garry and Anita Chambers who hope to travel to Belize in mid-October to assist at the clinic during the administrator's maternity leave and for Garry to serve with the MTW team and the national church leaders in various aspects of ministry. **Pray** for Pam Murray (clinic administrator) as she prepares for her maternity leave which is to begin early October.
- Fri 11** – John Stodghill asks **prayer** for the clinic to be able to raise funds to replace the clinic vehicle as the current vehicle is in poor condition after 16 years of hard use. It is used daily for clinic business and to transport clinic medical volunteers to and from the airport. MTW has set up an account to receive funds (need is \$50K) to assist with this need.
- Sat 12** – **Pray** for the Patchakan Presbyterian (Holy Trinity) Church for spiritual growth for its members and the leaders as well as the members of the Chan Chen and Caledonia mission churches. **Ask** for protection from the attacks of the enemy and the world. **Pray** for Pastor Ishmael (wife, Leti) and his family to be protected from the enemy and for wisdom in ministry. **Pray** for spiritual and numerical growth of the church and mission churches. **Ask** God to give wisdom in ministering to the church during this difficult time of lockdown.
- Sun 13** – **Pray** for God to give the Presbyterian school teachers and staff wisdom to know how to minister to their students and families. **Pray** for the children as they are doing online school since there are many families who do not have internet or computers at their homes. Ray and Michele ask **prayer** for their children who will be starting at new schools and will be making friends.
- Mon 14** – **Pray** for God to raise up mature Christian men to serve as pastors, elders, and deacons. Also, **pray** for provisions to train them. **Pray** for ruling elders: Solomon Noh, Ishmael Vallejos, Wilbert Vallejos, Hilario Nah, Isais Botes, Desi Chan, Inocente Patt, and Roman Chan. **Ask** God to give them wisdom in leading the churches in Belize. **Pray** that they will lead by example of living godly lives, encouraging and building up those they lead and forgiving others as they have been forgiven.
- Tues 15** – **Pray** for Ernest Betson and wife, Carolyn, and her ongoing health needs. **Pray** for the ministry of the Saint Andrews and Unity churches, the homeless ministry, and Unity School. **Praise** that God is raising up male leadership (Adrian, Mark, Owen, and Dennis) for the churches in Belize City. **Pray** for the homeless ministry as many more people are coming for food since the lockdown.

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- Wed 16** – **Ask** God to bring a revival in Belize. **Pray** that God’s Spirit will pour out His power on His people in Belize granting repentance from sin, having a love for Christ, new obedience and zeal for evangelism. Ask God to protect the Presbyterian pastors, elders, deacons, school teachers, clinic staff, mercy ministry workers, and MTW missionaries from the attacks of the world, their flesh, and the devil.
- Thurs 17** – **Pray** for Bethany Presbyterian Mission Church in Cayo as John and Karen Stodghill (MTW) continue their ministry role at the church. **Praise** for Yamilette who recently came to faith and is now a part of the church. **Pray** for the youth ministry and for the Sunday School classes which have started again. Also John asks **prayer** for the leadership training at Bethany, Unity, and St. Andrews Presbyterian churches
- Fri 18** – **Pray** for Pastor Eliseo de La Cruz, his wife, Amada and family as they continue to minister at the Bethel Presbyterian Church in Cristo Rey village and the mission churches in Louisville and Xaibe. **Pray** for spiritual and numerical growth of the three churches. **Ask** God to fill Pastor Eliseo with His Spirit and protect his family from the attacks of the enemy.
- Sat 19** – **Pray** for the Presbytery Meeting being held today. **Ask** God to guide the discussions and decisions that will be made. **Pray** for unity even during the isolation of COVID. Also, **pray** for Adrian Bartley and presbytery to be able to arrange training for Adrian to become an ordained pastor for Belize Presbytery. **Pray** for the pastors of the Presbyterian Church in Belize as the church giving has decrease with the loss of jobs. **Pray** that God will supply for those who have lost their income.
- Sun 20** – **Pray** for opportunities and boldness in all churches to share the gospel during this time and for a harvest of many souls for the glory of Christ. **Pray** that Satan would not be effective in his attacks against the Church in Belize in 2020. **Pray** that God would protect Christian families and that they would be a strong witness for Christ. **Ask** God to give spiritual victory to grow and mature the church in Belize beyond our expectations.
- Mon 21** – **Pray** for St. Andrews Presbyterian Church that God will grow the church spiritually and numerically. **Pray** for the homeless ministry in Belize City: **ask** God to guide Adrian and Monique Bartley as they lead the ministry and that many will come to faith through the ministry. **Pray** for an increased impact into the community as people observe the church’s ministry. **Pray** for safety as they serve the community during the COVID-19 outbreak.
- Tues 22** – **Pray** for Pastor Juan Patt (wife, Maria and family) as he ministers at Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church in Corozal and at Harvest Presbyterian Church in the village of Calcutta. **Ask** God to continue to build the Prince of Peace and Harvest Presbyterian Churches. **Pray** for physical and spiritual health for Juan and Maria as they minister. **Ask** God to raise up elders for the church.
- Wed 23** – **Pray** for pastors: Ernest Betson, Juan Patt, Leogardo Catzim, Alvaro Pott, Eliseo de la Cruz, Ismael Puente and ruling elders: Hilario Nah and Isaias Botes, along with missionaries, John Stodghill and Ray Call, as they prepare sermons & devotions to share electronically. **Ask** God to empower the preaching and teaching of His Word and for lives to be transformed.
- Thurs 24** - **Ask** God to give wisdom to the church sessions, commissions and committees of presbytery as they lead the Church. **Ask** God to bring a ministry of reconciliation throughout the churches of the PCB (Presbyterian Church in Belize). **Pray** for the executive committee of presbytery as they guide the work of presbytery and as they assist church sessions to grow and mature in their leadership of local churches.

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- Fri 25** – **Ask** God to call more men to the pastorate and church leadership for the Presbyterian churches. There are only six active pastors and eight elders for the 16 Presbyterian congregations. **Pray** that seminary training can be made available to Adrian Bartley as he senses God's call to the pastorate. **Pray** for the churches to be effective in reaching the youth of Belize. **Pray** that God would call several youth into full-time Christian service in 2020.
- Sat 26** – **Pray** for restoration of interpersonal relationships throughout the churches. **Ask** God to enable church members to follow Christ's example by humbling themselves to be servants to others. **Pray** for pastors & church leaders to flee and overcome temptation and discouragement. **Pray** for their spiritual renewal. **Pray** that pastors, elders, deacons, SS teachers, clinic staff, and Presbyterian school teachers will be men and women of prayer and faithful witnesses for Christ.
- Sun 27** – **Pray** for a spiritual revival in the churches in Belize and for a spiritual awakening that will see many come to faith across Belize. **Pray** for the gospel to transform lives and bring peace in the hearts of the people and healing in marriages and families. **Ask** God to open doors to evangelize the lost and that He would grant Christians boldness to share during this time of fear and concern.
- Mon 28** – **Pray** for Bethany Presbyterian Church in Cayo! **Pray** that God will protect the church families from the attacks from Satan, the world, their own flesh. **Pray** that parents would have wisdom in raising their children to know Christ and to love and serve Him. John Stodghill asks **prayer** that families would see the importance of the institution of marriage and that God would protect the marriages of the church leaders. **Pray** that God will continue to grow the church by bringing former members back, through evangelism, and discipleship. **Pray** for John and Karen Stodghill as they work with Presbytery to guide this ministry.
- Tues 29** – **Pray** for the San Pablo and Louisville congregations who are wanting to finish training elders and install them so they can become particular churches. Continue to **pray** for the officer training on Tuesday nights. Give **praise** for spiritual and numerical growth of several churches in Belize. **Also pray** for a spiritual awakening in Belize.
- Wed 30** - **Pray** for the seminary Board of Directors President -TE Juan Patt, Secretary-Lidia Tzul, Treasurer-TE Eliseo de la Cruz, Counsellor-RE Abert Zantingh, Support-RE Alfonso Vallejos, Ex Oficio-Ray Call/Garry Chambers. **Ask** God to call men to serve as pastors, elders, and deacons for the churches. **Pray** that God will call more missionaries to serve in Belize to assist with the ministry.

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