

**2020 SUNDAY PRAYER LINK**  
**January 5 – July 1, 2020**  
Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada

**January 5, 2020**

- **Happy New Year!** As we gather together for worship today, let's celebrate and give thanks to God for this new beginning.  
Consider Jeremiah 31:33 – *“But this is the new covenant I will make with the people of Israel after those days,” says the Lord. “I will put my instructions deep within them, and I will write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.”*  
Consider what God is declaring in your own life, your church and your neighbourhood. Where is God asking you to join him in this new year?
- **Church to pray for:** Cherry Brook United Baptist Church, Dartmouth, NS (African United Baptist Association, Region 7); Senior Pastor - Rev. Wayne Desmond, Associate Pastor - Rev. Dr. Lionel Moriah

**January 12, 2020**

- Pray for our **vocational children's & youth pastors and camp directors** as they meet this week for **The Summit** (Jan. 13-14, Dartmouth, NS). May this be a time of encouragement and challenge as they minister to the next generation, equip leaders, and inspire young people in their journey of faith. Please pray that this would be a time of renewal as they gather to refocus and re-energize around our vision in leading the next generation in joining God in their neighbourhoods.
- **Church to pray for:** Hopewell Community Church, Hopewell Hill, NB (Albert Association, Region 3); Rev. Gordon James

**January 19, 2020**

- The **Fresh Embrace** event happens January 20-21 in Moncton, NB. This is a unique opportunity for all **CBAC pastors** to gather and sabbath together; it will focus on personal and practical ministry concerns. Pray for our pastors as they use this and other resources to develop resilience, endurance and perseverance in ministry.
- **Church to pray for:** Timberlea Baptist Church, Timberlea, NS (Halifax, Region 6); Interim Pastor - Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta

**January 26, 2020**

- Pray for **Rev. Greg Jones**, Associate Executive Minister (Congregational Renewal/Mission-Edge). Greg works to encourage and equip CBAC churches as they seek God's direction toward revitalization and resurrection. Take a moment this week to send Greg a note of encouragement ([greg.jones@baptist-atlantic.ca](mailto:greg.jones@baptist-atlantic.ca)).
- **Church to pray for:** Rusagonis Baptist Church, Rusagonis, NB (Queens - Sunbury Association, Region 2); Rev. V. Brent MacDonald

**February 2, 2020**

- February is **African Heritage Month/Black History Month**. Take the opportunity to pray for, learn from, bless and be blessed by our brothers and sisters in the African United Baptist Association. If you can, worship at an AUBA church this month. Also, visit the Black Cultural Centre in Cherry Brook outside of Halifax <http://www.bccns.com>.
- **Church to pray for:** East Preston United Baptist Church, East Preston, NS (African United Baptist Association, Region 7); Associate Pastors Rev. Dr. Joyce Ross & Lic Debbie Simmonds

**February 9, 2020**

- The annual **Simpson Lectures** at *Acadia Divinity College* take place this week (Feb. 10-12) [acadiadiv.ca/event/simpson-lectures-2020/](http://acadiadiv.ca/event/simpson-lectures-2020/)
- Please pray for **Dr. Anna Robbins, President of Acadia Divinity College**, as well as the Board of Trustees, faculty and staff. Please pray for wisdom, discernment, clarity and good health as they train leaders for ministry in our churches. We give thanks for ADC and the God's blessing to our churches and communities as they train up pastors and leaders.
- **Church to pray for:** Portage Vale United Baptist Church, Portage Vale, NB (Westmorland-Kent Association, Region 3); Rev. Dr. Peter Sherwood

#### February 16, 2020

- Please pray for **Mr. Andrew Hopper, CBAC President**, as he provides leadership alongside our Executive Minister and CBAC Council throughout the year. Pray for protection and good health for he and his wife Helen.
- Pray for our **CBAC Associate Staff** as they capably offer their gifts to our family of churches: – Jacqueline Derrah, Karen Gunn, Wendy Jones, Lottie Reid, Debbie Barriault, Ron Scott, and Sandi Killeen. The role they play in the life of our CBAC may be largely behind the scenes but is critically important for the day-to-day operations of our organization. Pray for them as they carry out these responsibilities as well for their health and their families. Send them a note this week and thank them for what they do for us. [baptist-atlantic.ca/contact-us/](http://baptist-atlantic.ca/contact-us/)
- **Church to pray for:** Beaver River United Baptist Church, Beaver River, NS (Church, Region 9, Yarmouth Association); Pastor Keith Moore.

#### February 23, 2020

- The season of Lent begins on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Consider using this time to prepare your heart for Easter. Like advent for Christmas, Lent is a period of waiting and anticipation as we remember Christ's death and resurrection.
- Pray for the **20 Associations** in our CBAC family. Many associations come together around chaplaincy, camps and other ministry that is still a vital part of our ministry and outreach. Please pray for the Moderators and executive members who give leadership and seek future direction for the Associations. <http://baptist-atlantic.ca/associations>
- **Church to pray for:** Emmanuel Baptist Church, Upper Hammonds Plains, NS (African United Baptist Association, Region 7); Rev. Dr. Lennett Anderson, Associate Pastors - Rev. Carl Price & Lic. Andrea Anderson.

#### March 1, 2020

- Please pray for the **Board of Ministerial Standards and Education** as they meet with students and others seeking credentials with our CBAC family. Pray that those who appear before the Board will share their Christian experience and call to ministry with clarity and conviction.
- Pray for those whom God is calling into vocational ministry. Discern who in your church God may be calling. Pray for them. Encourage them. Support and journey with them. Our churches need these pastors to guide us in engaging our culture and neighbours.
- **Church to pray for:** Foundation United Baptist Church, Porter's Lake NS (Halifax Association, Region 6); Rev. Deborah Stevens.

#### March 8, 2020

- It's exciting to see **new congregations** emerging in various corners of our region – some are brand new while others are mergers and replants, still new but with renewed energy and vigor. Is God calling you to start something new or help support something near you? Pray for these new congregations and even those that will emerge through 2020.
- Pray for **Rev. Kevin Vincent**, Associate Executive Minister (New Congregations). He is primarily working with individuals and churches seeking to begin something new or multiply what God is

already doing. Take a moment this week to send Kevin a note of encouragement ([kevin.vincent@baptist-atlantic.ca](mailto:kevin.vincent@baptist-atlantic.ca)).

- **Church to pray for:** Pocologan United Baptist Church, Pocologan, NB (Southwestern Association, Region 1); Rev. Bruce Alcorn.

### March 15, 2020

- Pray for **Rev. Dr. Cheryl Ann Beals, Director of Clergy Formation & Wellness** for the CBAC. Pray that she continues to find opportunities to help pastors and their families improve their level of wellness as this has a direct effect on the church they are serving. She leads several pastors retreats each year along with ongoing groups and programs that pastors can take advantage of. Take a moment this week to send Cheryl Ann a note of encouragement - [cherylann.beals@baptist-atlantic.ca](mailto:cherylann.beals@baptist-atlantic.ca).
- **Church to pray for:** Sturgeon United Baptist Church, Montague, PE (Prince Edward Island Association, Region 4); Pastor Justin Able.

### March 22, 2020

- **Leadership Development** – Strong & capable leaders are needed in our churches. We're committed to walking with and helping them live up to their calling as they lead in our churches and neighbourhoods. Pray that God will continue to raise up leaders to lead well. Do you see someone that needs some encouragement to lead? Tap them on the shoulder and tell them. Looking for resources to help discern the call or take the next steps – [yourcalling.ca](http://yourcalling.ca).
- Pray for **Rev. Dr. Garth Williams**, Associate Executive Minister (Leadership Development). We are committed to seeing our pastors not just survive but thrive. The overall health and missional strength of our churches depend on it. Along with broader responsibilities, Garth gives oversight to the Board of Ministerial Standards & Education. Take a moment this week to send Garth a note of encouragement via our website [garth.williams@baptist-atlantic.ca](mailto:garth.williams@baptist-atlantic.ca).
- **Church to pray for:** Westport Baptist Church, Westport, NS (Annapolis - Digby Association, Region 8); Rev. Emmanuel Mutale

### March 29, 2020

- **Pension & Benefits Board** – This is an important ministry of caring for our pastors and their families. It's a tangible way we journey with them while they are serving and even after they retire. The PBB oversees the benefits and investments. Pray for the board members and staff (Karen Gunn, Benefits Coordinator) as they provide leadership and support to our pastors and churches.
- **Church to pray for:** Riverside-Albert Baptist Church, Riverside-Albert, NB (Albert Association, Region 3); Pastor Peter Atkinson

### April 5, 2020

- **Happy Palm Sunday!** *"So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!'"* John 12:13. Today is the beginning of **Holy Week**. Reflect each day on the events around Christ's death and resurrection. We pray this will impact you in a new way.
- **Church to pray for:** Hillsburn United Baptist Church, Granville Ferry, NS (Annapolis - Digby Association, Region 8); Rev. Robert Elliot.

### April 12, 2020

- **Happy Easter! Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!** "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 May our

lives and churches be a reflection of the risen Christ. Share the power of the resurrection and the love of the Father with our neighbours.

- **Church to pray for:** Oxford United Baptist Church, Oxford, NS, *Little River United Baptist Church*, Oxford, NS (Cumberland Association, Region 6); Rev. Christopher Greer.

#### April 19, 2020

- One of our priorities is that our churches would become **Mission Edge Churches**. Some markers of this kind of church would be that the church would be in the neighbourhood, they would reflect the demographic of their neighbourhood, and that they recognize where God is working in their neighbourhood and are joining Him there. Your neighbourhood should be different because the church is there. Is it?
- **Church to pray for:** Havelock United Baptist Church, Havelock, NB (Westmorland - Kent Association, Region 3); Rev. Jeffrey Irving

#### April 26, 2020

- The **NEXT Conference for Children's Ministry Workers**, was held yesterday April 25<sup>th</sup>, in Moncton, NB. Pray for renewal, community, networking and for the volunteer leaders who attend will be open to hear what God is saying to them.
- Pray for our volunteer youth/children's leaders. They carry an immense responsibility alongside parents to train up our children and youth in the ways of the Word. Pray for them as they teach and walk with our children. Send a note of encouragement to your youth/children's workers this week.
- **Churches to pray for:** New Beginnings Christian Ministries, Kingston, NS (Eastern Valley Association, Region 8); Pastor Neil Armstrong.

#### May 3, 2020

- Please pray for **Dr. Bruce Fawcett, President of Crandall University**, as well as the University's board of governors, faculty, staff and students. Please pray as they continue to build on the strong foundation that was established more than 65 years ago. Thank God for blessing the students who receive "quality university education firmly rooted in the Christian faith."
- **Spring Convocation Services** for *Crandall University* were held on Saturday, **May 2<sup>th</sup>**. Please pray for all our college/university graduates as they seek God's calling in their lives.
- **Church to pray for:** Sisson Ridge United Baptist Church, Plaster Rock, NB (Northwestern Association, Region 2); Pastor Dwayne Broad.

#### May 10, 2020

- Today is **Mother's Day**. Please pray for all Mom's in particular, but also for all women, that they will have the godly wisdom, maturity and fortitude to help shape our homes, churches, neighbourhoods & communities to be places of protection, nurture and growth for all.
- Today is **ADC's Convocation**. Congratulations to all graduates! We pray for you in this next stage of life as you move into God's calling.
- **Church to pray for:** Ludlow United Baptist Church, Ludlow, NB (Miramichi - North Shore Association, Region 3); No current pastor.

#### May 17, 2020

- Pray for the **CBAC staff** as they continue to serve each of our churches & associations. Pray for God's wisdom and guidance as they offer assistance, develop resources, and plan events that inspire and equip churches and leaders to be all that God is calling them to be. Take a minute and send a note to the staff this week – [cbac@baptist-atlantic.ca](mailto:cbac@baptist-atlantic.ca)
- **Church to pray for:** Big Tancook United Baptist Church, Big Tancook Island, NS (Lunenburg-Queens Association, Region 9); No current pastor

#### May 24, 2020

- **ONE Conference** - One God. One Church. One Conference. A multi-denominational 2-day conference for students and youth leaders held this weekend. Pray for the youth in attendance, that the impact of the weekend would continue to grow, and their relationship with God would go deeper.
- **Church to pray for:** St. Andrews Baptist Church, St. Andrews, NB (Southwestern Association, Region 1); No current pastor.

#### May 31, 2020

- Give thanks for the continued growing ministry of the **Atlantic Baptist Foundation** as they assist our churches and agencies with financing for new church development, extension projects, and grants to strengthen various ministries of the CBAC. As God blesses this ministry, it in turn is able to bless others. Pray for the board as they make these decisions
- **Church to pray for:** West Brooklyn Baptist Church, Wolfville, NS (Eastern Valley Association, Region 8); Rev. Barbara Cochran.

#### June 7, 2020

- **Pray for our High School graduates** as they launch into the next stage of life. Pray that their faith will grow and that mentors to come alongside of them to encourage them. As their faith community, maintain your connection to them as they seek God's will for their life.
- **Church to pray for:** Southampton United Baptist Church, Southampton, NS (Cumberland Association, Region 6); No current Pastor

#### June 14, 2020

- Pray for **camp directors, staff & boards of our camps** as they provide opportunities for campers to have a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ this summer. As Atlantic Baptists, through our Associations we own and operate 15 **camps** throughout Atlantic Canada. For a list of camps, visit our website – <http://baptist-atlantic.ca/camps>.
- **World Refugee Day** is June 20<sup>th</sup>. Over the past three years, Canadian Baptists have settled over 500 people. Many churches have been helping settled families bring their family members to Canada. Has your church considered refugee sponsorship? Contact Paul Carline for more information.
- **Church to pray for:** Rolling Dam United Baptist Church, Rolling Dam, NB (Region 1, Southwestern Association); Associate Pastor - Rev. Dr. Marion Jamer.

#### June 21, 2020

- Today is **Father's Day**. Please pray for all Dad's, but also for all men, that they will have the godly wisdom, integrity and leadership that will help shape our homes, churches and neighbourhoods to be safe, healthy places where their example points to our Heavenly Father.
- Many pastors and lay leaders take **vacation** during July & August. Please pray for those who travel, and that these vacations may be times for rest, renewal and spiritual replenishment.
- **Church to pray for: First Cambridge Baptist Church, Cambridge Narrows & Waterborough Baptist Church, Waterborough, NB – Rev. Aubrey & Queenstown United Baptist Church Queenstown, NB (Region 2, Queens - Sunbury Association); Pastor Eric Hudson**

#### June 28, 2020

- Wednesday is **Canada Day!** *"May he have dominion from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth!"* Psalm 72:8. Pray for our country and for our leaders as they wrestle with social and moral issues. Pray that they will seek wisdom from God as they carry out their duties.

Pray also for leaders in the churches across our CBAC as they participate in public dialogue through the grace and Spirit of God.

- ***Church to pray for:*** Port Hawkesbury United Baptist Church, Port Hawkesbury, NS (Cape Breton Association, Region 5); Rev. Jonathan London.