



**CANADIAN BAPTISTS
OF ATLANTIC CANADA**
Joining God in Our Neighbourhoods

2022 SUNDAY PRAYER LINK JULY - DECEMBER

July 3

This summer, churches across Atlantic Canada will be participating in Undercurrent! Young people will spend time serving their neighbourhoods and will lead and engage their church congregations to join with them. Please pray for all of our students who are taking part in this dynamic event across Atlantic Canada. Pray for our Youth & Family team who are providing leadership over Undercurrent and for the Youth Pastors, church staff, and volunteers who are leading their individual teams. Pray for each of the neighbourhoods that our youth will engage with this summer. Pray also for the work to continue after Undercurrent finishes, and for God to use the new connections and initiatives for His glory.

Church to pray for: Windsor Baptist Church, NS (Eastern Valley Association). Senior Pastor: Robert Heffernan

July 10

During the summer months, churches find creative ways to do ministry that will reach their communities and build connections with their neighbourhoods. Pray for the events and programs that will take place this summer including Vacation Bible School programs, community

outreach initiatives, summer worship services, and other special events. Pray for the staff and volunteers who are involved in church ministry this summer, and pray that God would use their work to further his Kingdom.

Church to pray for: South Rawdon Baptist Church, NS (Eastern Valley Association). Senior Pastor: B. Mosher

July 17

Please pray for our CBAC church leaders who are taking vacation time to rest and recharge this summer. It has been another uniquely challenging year in ministry, so pray that these leaders are able to take space for renewal of their bodies, minds, and souls. Pray that God would prepare them for the coming fall season and that they would feel encouraged in their vocations.

Church to pray for: Spryfield Christian Community Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Pauline Coffin

July 24

This week, please pray for our pastors at different stages of their ministries, whether that be retirement, times of transition, or new pastors beginning in church ministry. These can be uncertain and chaotic times, and can be accompanied by loneliness and added stress. Pray that God would provide comfort and strength for these pastors in whatever they are facing. Pray that they would continue to sense God's presence and call on their lives. If you know a pastor who has recently retired, moved, or begun serving, please pray for them specifically this week.

Church to pray for: Aurora North End Parish Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Kevin Jolly

July 31

Pray for the Vacation Bible School programs across Atlantic Canada that have been happening this summer. These programs impact many lives for Christ each year and help to connect churches to the families in their neighbourhoods. Pray for those who lead these events, that they would have the energy to endure hours of preparation and investing in kids lives. We thank God for the passion and creativity that these leaders exude and for their hearts to serve in this way. Pray for the kids who will attend VBS this summer, that the seeds of the Gospel would be planted in their hearts and that meaningful relationships would be formed with their local churches.

Church to pray for: West End Baptist Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Timofey Cheprasov

August 7

This coming week is Oasis, our annual gathering! Please pray for everyone involved in planning and facilitating Oasis this week. Pray that this gathering would be a time of strengthening and unification for our CBAC family. Pray also for the Examining Council who will be meeting with the candidates seeking ordination. Pray that the council would have clarity, wisdom, and discretion throughout this process, and pray that the candidates would feel confident and encouraged in their call to ministry.

Church to pray for: Life Branch Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Gavin McCombie, Associate Pastor: Julie Loewen

August 14

There are many chaplains serving at several correctional institutions across Atlantic Canada. As they minister to incarcerated individuals and their families, pray that God would strengthen and sustain them in their roles. Pray that God would work through them in the lives of those they

are ministering to. If you know a prison chaplain, consider reaching out to them this week to encourage them.

Church to pray for: Regal Heights Baptist Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Jason Cole, Associate Pastor: Emmanuel Batumbya

August 21

Please pray for our partners at Canadian Baptist Ministries. Pray for CBM's Executive Director, Jennifer Lau, and for all of the CBM staff, both locally and in the mission field. Pray that God would continue to use them for the mission of partnering with local churches around the world. Ask God to bring hope, healing, and reconciliation through the work that they are doing.

Church to pray for: Bethel United Baptist Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Vance Arbeau

August 28

Pray for Acadia Divinity College, as they begin a new semester this Fall. Pray for staff and faculty, as well as the leadership of Dr. Anna Robbins, President of ADC. Pray that they would be energized and ready for the year ahead. Pray that the students are able to be focused and diligent as they launch into a new year of studies.

Church to pray for: Hammonds Plains First Baptist Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Terry Henderson

September 4

As school begins this week, please pray for students, teachers, and support staff as they begin a new year of learning. Pray for those in Pre-K to High School as they transition into their school routines. Pray also

for their parents who experience significant changes and adjustments this time of year which can be overwhelming and exhausting. Pray for our churches as they seek to support schools and families during the back-to-school season.

Church to pray for: Sackville United Baptist Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Peter Metcalfe

September 11

Please pray for our Youth & Family staff: Dan Pyke (Director), Laura Bennett (Associate Director), and Jacqueline Derrah (Administrative Assistant). Our Youth & Family team continues to work hard to innovate ways to support our next generation ministries. Pray for God to continue to provide direction, vision, and passion to this team. Pray that churches would be encouraged and supported by their work, and consider personally reaching out to Dan, Laura, or Jacqueline to cheer them on this week!

Church to pray for: Faith Baptist Church, NS (Halifax Association). Senior Pastor: Borden Scott

September 18

Pray that God provides for the financial needs of our churches. Pray that He would raise up the appropriate leaders to guide our congregations as they manage and steward their resources. Pray for wisdom and guidance for those who already work diligently in these areas. Pray for our leaders and congregations to trust God in their finances and to seek Him to provide all that is needed to do his work.

Church to pray for: Brookfield United Baptist Church, NS (Northeast Nova Baptist Association). Senior Pastor: Stephen Bedard

September 25

This week we recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th. Please pray for our Indigenous brothers and sisters as they grieve the hardships of the past and continue to deal with present challenges. Pray for continued healing, and for our churches to remain diligent in seeking reconciliation. Pray that God would unify our nation, grant us compassion for one another, and give us wisdom as we continue to take steps toward harmony.

Church to pray for: Lifepoint Church, NS. (Northeast Nova Baptist Association).

October 2

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Take this opportunity to pray for those who serve as pastors and pastoral leaders in our CBAC churches. Reach out to the pastoral leaders in your church and community and extend extra encouragement and appreciation for the work that they do. It has been another challenging year in the wake of the pandemic, and many pastors have poured out all they have to sustain their ministries. Pray that they would be continually renewed and that God would provide the energy, passion, and direction they need to lead their congregations.

Church to pray for: Truro Heights United Baptist Church, NS (Northeast Nova Baptist Association).

October 9

Happy Thanksgiving! We take this moment to reflect on our many blessings and thank God for His steadfast love and goodness. Spend time praising Him for all He has done for us and how He is at work in

our churches and neighbourhoods. Pray that our hearts would remain humble and grateful, even in the midst of trials. Pray that our gratitude would overflow and be a light to those around us.

Church to pray for: Belmont United Baptist Church, NS (Northeast Nova Baptist Association).

October 16

Pray for those who serve on the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education as they continue to guide pastoral leaders and candidates who are seeking ordination. Pray for the current candidates as they follow God's call to ministry, and pray for those who have recently been ordained. Pray for the leaders that God is raising up in our churches and thank Him for how He uses them to lead us in faith.

Church to pray for: Groundswell Church, NS (Northeast Nova Baptist Association). Senior Pastor: Tammy Giffen, Associate Pastors: Taylor Giffen & Jeremy Vincent

October 23

Pray for the Pension & Benefits Board of the CBAC, and for Karen Gunn, our Pension & Benefits Coordinator. The work that they do is so important to our CBAC leaders and staff as they provide resources and financial support in the face of several life circumstances. Consider taking a moment this week to write a note of encouragement to Karen!

Church to pray for: New Harbour United Baptist Church, NS (Antigonish - Guysborough Association). Senior Pastor: David Wheeler

October 30

In this month of October, a number of our churches have chosen a Sunday to celebrate CBAC Sunday—taking time to acknowledge God’s faithfulness and talk about our shared mission as an Atlantic Baptist family. But not only are you connected through the CBAC, but you’re also joined with other churches in your local Association. Pray for the sister churches in your Association, and ask God how you can better serve your neighbourhoods by partnering with one another!

Church to pray for: Seal Harbour United Baptist Church, Goldboro, NS.

November 6

This week we take time in Remembrance for those who have served our country. Pray for those who currently serve in our military, as well as our military chaplains. Take the opportunity to thank God for the privileges and freedoms that we have, and for those who have sacrificed to make those happen. We think of those around the world who are enduring suffering as a result of war and conflict. We pray God’s comfort and protection for them.

Church to pray for: New Tusket United Baptist Church, NS (Annapolis - Digby Association). Senior Pastor: Timothy O’Blenis

November 13

Pray for Debbie Barriault, our CBAC Finance Officer, and for the church treasurers in our CBAC churches. Thank God for these capable leaders who do the important work of managing the resources we have been given. Pray for God’s blessing on them as they do work that often goes unseen and unnoticed. Take a moment to reach out to Debbie or a church treasurer and encourage them this week!

Pray for: The Annapolis - Digby Association, The African United Baptist Association, and The Albert Association

November 20

Pray for the CBAC leaders who have been gathering for fall spiritual retreats, led by Dr. Cheryl Ann Beals, Director of Clergy Formation and Wellness. For those who attend, pray that these retreats allow for renewal and strengthening in their lives and work. Pray for all of our leaders who are feeling worn down from a long year of ministry, that God would encourage their hearts and give them endurance to continue the work He has for them.

Pray for: The Antigonish - Guysborough Association, The Cape Breton Association, and The Cumberland Association

November 27

As Advent begins, be reminded of the gift of hope we have been given through the birth of Jesus Christ our King. As Christmas approaches, let's turn our hearts toward Him and thank God for his plan to redeem His people. Pray that the hope of Jesus would be evident in us, and that we would be a light to our neighbours this Christmas.

Pray for: The Eastern Valley Association, The Halifax Association, and The Lunenburg Association

December 4

On the second Sunday of Advent, be reminded of God's faithfulness and dwell in his enduring love. Through Jesus, God fulfilled many promises and demonstrated his faithfulness to us. Pray with faith that God is continuing to work in our churches, in our neighbourhoods, and in our world. He has not forgotten us and is still working to draw us to Him. Pray that God is at work in our communities to bring people to faith in Jesus this Christmas.

Pray for: The Miramichi - North Shore Association, The Newfoundland and Labrador Association and The North East Nova Baptist Association

December 11

On the third Sunday of Advent, be reminded of the overwhelming joy that is found in Jesus, our friend and Saviour. Even through darkness and trials, we have reason to rejoice because God has given us joy that cannot be taken away. Our hearts are filled with joy as we see His love and kindness fulfilled through a tiny baby in a lowly manger. Thank God that He came to dwell among us and give His Son for us. Pray that God works through our churches to share the Good News of Jesus' birth this Christmas.

Pray for: The Northwestern Association, The Prince Edward Island Association, and The Queens - Sunbury Association

December 18

On this final Sunday of Advent, be reminded of the deep and lasting peace of knowing that God is healing our broken world. We thank God that nothing can separate us from His love. He is good and his plans for us are good. We see this demonstrated in Jesus birth, death, and resurrection. Our Prince of Peace has come to rescue us! Pray for the peace of God to fill our hearts and overflow into our neighbourhoods this Christmas.

Pray for: The Saint John - Kings Association, The Shelburne Association, and The Southwestern Association

December 25

Merry Christmas! As we celebrate this day with family and friends, take a moment to thank God for the many blessings He has given us this

year. Praise Him for the work he has done in our churches and neighbourhoods in 2022. Pray that the new year would bring new opportunities for our churches to seek Him, to show his love, and to share life with those in our local areas.

Pray for: The Westmorland-Kent Association, The Yarmouth Association, and the York Association