

## CRC Prayer – July 13, 2022

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### **Philippians 1:12-18**

*12 Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. 13 As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. 14 And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.*

*15 It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. 16 The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. 17 The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. 18 But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.*

**REVERENCE** – *The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.*

*(The Lord's Prayer - Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name)*

*Praise God for who he is, seeking his Face and not his hand.*

We praise you that Christ is preached in...

God, we praise you that rise above our weakness when...

Thank you the gospel is preached around the world where...

**RESPONSE** - *The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. 18 But what does it matter?*

*(The Lord's Prayer - Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven)*

*Our response to God's character, Yielding to the Holy Spirit, to God's purposes*

Thank you that Christ is preached even when my motives may be misplaced when...

Forgive me for the wrong motives of...

Teach me where my motives are not pure when...

**REQUESTS** - *And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.*

*(The Lord's Prayer - Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors)*

Help us to proclaim Christ without fear when...

Give us confidence in the Lord for...

*Other requests*

For the CRC – unity in the midst of difficulty

For new leaders

Zach King (General Secretary)

Al Postema (Transitional Canadian Executive Director)

Lloyd VanderKwaak (interim chief adminstor)

*Other requests for our denomination, our churches, our leaders, ourselves*

**READINESS** - *Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel.*

*(The Lord's Prayer - Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil)*

*In our lives, we trust God.*

Lord, advance the gospel through suffering and weakness in...

Lord, advance the gospel through us today by...

Lord, advance the gospel through showing love and mercy and justice in...

**PARTING BLESSING**

*Romans 15:5-6*

*5 May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, 6 so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*