



The Great Sending Jubilee Year—2022

November Prayer Guide

Join us in daily prayer, and for our monthly Prayer Meeting—First Wednesday of the month, 10am Eastern Time on Zoom.
For the Prayer Meeting Zoom link, contact Rev. Peter Meier, pmeier@flgadistrict.org

Suggestion: Use the “10:02 Prayer” – set your phone or wrist alarm for 10:02 daily and use that time daily to pray for workers in the Lord’s Harvest Fields (see Luke 10:02).

God Speaks: Read 1 Peter 1:13-17

1 Peter 1:17 – “...conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile.”

The Bible uses the word “fear” broadly and often. We can understand fear across a spectrum. At one extreme is the emotion we experience when something threatening comes at us that we cannot withstand – a bad diagnosis, financial ruin, marriage on the rocks, etc. At the other extreme are similar feelings, but our attitude changes when we hear that our mighty God is coming to our rescue. God *for us*, not against us.

How do we respond to His deliverance? Wow! Awesome! And that, dear reader, is the “fear of God.”

“Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord” (Psalm 34:11).

This is good fear, wholesome fear, the fear of the Lord.

“If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed... with the precious blood of Christ” (1 Peter 1:17-19). The ancient term, *missio Dei*, is most specific: Jesus turns us out of ourselves to God our Father. How awesome is *the fear of God*! Consider adding these seldom-used words to your faith vocabulary.

“But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.” Psalm 130:4

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.” Psalm 111:10

Excerpt from *The Great Sending* (Study 40, “The Fear of God,” by Rev Dr. Dale Meyer)

MONDAY

ADORATION *LBW 797:5*

Praise, all you people, the name so holy Of Him who does such wondrous things!

All that has being, to praise Him solely, With happy heart its amen sings.

Children of God, with angel hosts

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION

- + For letting the fear of men stifle our witness, rather than letting the fear of God energize us for witness
- + For failure to see opportunities to witness for Christ in every life situation.
- + For thoughtless words spoken hastily, rather than intentional grace-filled speech
- + For hearts that are more ready to be served than to serve
- + For half-hearted effort in our prayer life, slow response to God's Word, and failures to be aware of the Holy Spirit's power at work in us
- + For letting the anxieties of life worry and distract us from opportunities to give thanks and to witness in word and action.

THANKSGIVING

- + For our Nation, and all the blessings that are ours as citizens of the United States.
- + For the privilege of taking part in our national elections.
- + For Veterans who have given themselves in service to our Nation. Give thanks for the families of our service men and women, and for their commitment and sacrifices as well.
- + For National, State, and local leaders across the professions who work to provide safety, assurance, access to needed resources.
- + For Jesus, King of kings and Lord of lords, who rules all things together for good for His church.
- + For Jesus promises to come again and for the Holy Spirit's work of preparing us for that day.
- + For the underserved privilege of being included as partners with God in His mission, His work of reconciling the world to Himself.
- + For the daily opportunities to live for Him who died for us and was raised again.
- + For Jesus' promise hear and answer all our prayers in particular, for the Harvest.
- + For the unique holidays of this month and the unique opportunities they offer for witness. Give thanks for the special people God will bring into your life with whom you can share Jesus' reconciliation.
- + For schools and Early Childhood Centers and their administrators and staff who work in these special harvest fields, leading children and families to Jesus.
- + For mission interest and engagement among the people and congregations throughout our District.
- + For fellow disciples and church members who want to grow as disciples – following Jesus, learning from Jesus, living/loving like Jesus, and making more disciples.
- + For our District leadership, for pastors and local church leaders who understand the purpose of the Church and who take mission seriously - "for such a time as this."
- + For those who gather for "Mission Mondays" and the positive discussion and resources shared there.
- + For the Holy Spirit's work of aligning our hearts and minds with the mind of Christ.
- + For Florida-Georgia Prayer Partners and Intercessors; Pray that the number of praying partners grows!

TUESDAY

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

- + That the Holy Spirit will open the hearts of (*name your friends, family members, co-workers*), to receive the Lord's invitation to "come and see" God's grace and mercy for themselves.
- + That the Holy Spirit will not let the noises of the world confuse us and drown out what God says
- + That God might deliver us from all fears, harassments, doubts, unbelief and spiritual darkness
- + That the Spirit will keep us alert that we may not center our world in ourselves, but in Him
- + That the promise of Jesus' victory will always shape and move the work of the Church as it reclaims territory, both souls and soil, from the Evil One.
- + Against every spiritual stronghold and idol in our communities—Holy Spirit, give us discernment to recognize them and boldness to stand against them; that the enemy will not distract, confuse or turn us off course... ***especially in these areas targeted for new starts or restarts:*** In GA – Clarkston, East Point, Macon, Tifton, Savannah, Valdosta, Swainsboro; In FL: Amelia Island/Yulee, Jacksonville, Nocatee, Titusville, Rockledge, Orlando, Lake Nona, The Villages, Clermont, Harmony, Haines City, Four Corners/Davenport, Trinity, Port St. Lucie, Ft. Lauderdale & Miami areas, Homestead/Florida City/Kendall, Miramar, Port Charlotte, Babcock Ranch, Lehigh Acres, Lakewood Ranch, Venice, Naples; and Prison Ministry.
- + That the Holy Spirit will keep us aware and awake to the lurking presence of the Evil One
- + That God will teach us always to rely on the promised Holy Spirit – to be bold, forthright, and confident in our witnessing!
- + That the Lord of All will protect pastors, teachers, church and school leaders from the Evil One's temptations which would distract from the mission work to which they are called
- + That we will wield the sword of the Spirit deftly
- + Pray to put on the whole armor of God, so that you can stand against the schemes of the devil... so that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and having prepared everything, to take your stand (Ephesians 6:10ff).
- + That the Holy Spirit will protect and enrich the marriages and families of our leaders and church workers, so that the Evil One will not separate what God has joined together
- + That we will not give in to lukewarmness in the practice of our faith and witness; that we stand firm in the face of Satan's temptations to pull us away from time with the Lord in prayer and His Word
- + Against the lying spirit of powerlessness, hopelessness, confusion, discouragement and burnout for pastors, planters, and leaders; that we will instead learn to fight as effective warriors with Christ ahead, behind, beside us
- + Pray for those missionaries, planters, pastors and leaders who battle with depression and self-doubt
- + Against preoccupation with self and love of the world – rather that we may consecrate ourselves as living sacrifices to God and His mission
- + That God would use each of us as good stewards to provide everything needed for those on the front lines of mission work
- + For courage to stand with / to partner with those who desire to plant and multiply
- + Pray for protection against every form of the Enemy's attacks – especially for President Rockey and his staff, for our FLGA Mission Team: Peter, Debbie, Victor, Scott and Mike, and for fellow intercessors.

WEDNESDAY

GREAT SENDING – DISTRICT MISSION & OUTREACH

We pray for Students and Campus Ministries:

- + **That God will move our congregations** to see their local campuses as their mission fields, and to support campus ministries as partners in ministry
- + **For students who are settling in to routines**, that they will connect with Campus Ministries' outreach efforts, and for parents and pastors to encourage students to continue their walk with the Lord while on campus by participating in campus ministries.
- + **University Lutheran, FSU, and Florida A&M, Tallahassee – Pastor Jay Winters**
 - Praise God for those students who have made the move from receiving an email from ULC to joining in an event
 - For those students who have progressed from being very “green” leaders to becoming better able to understand leadership in the campus environment.
 - For ongoing student engagement – including Games & Prayers, seasonal events which create a more open door to the church, and the service retreat to Stepping Stone in Atlanta
 - For Triad leaders engaging with students and looking for national leaders who may spawn new triads
 - For God to open new doors for ministry to students from fraternity and sorority life
 - For new openings with students who come from non-Anglo cultures
- + **Christus Victor Campus Ministry, Athens GA – Pastor Greg Michael**
 - For students to have encouragement and endurance in their tasks as they approach the end of this semester
 - For planning and promotion regarding the Spring Break mission trip
 - For ongoing development of relationships among students and that connections would be strengthened with those students who participate less regularly
 - For the final weeks of this semester and planning and preparation for the start of the next semester
 - For the development of our students as leaders as we go forward together in mission
- + **Thrive Campus Ministry, Florida Gulf Coast University, Estero – Pastor John Roth & Campus Ministry Leader Ashley Reijm**
 - For the next president of FGCU, that this person is open to campus ministries being involved on campus
 - For blessings on Ashley's connections with students, building relationships where the Gospel can flourish
 - For Pastor John's 3 campus classes: World Religions, Leadership, New Testament, with 76 different students. This year, more than usual, this is missionary opportunity!
 - For the Faculty/Staff Bible study that meets Mondays at 12:30pm, and for the new Men's Bible study.
- + **Live Ministries, UCF, Orlando** –that God will bless Pastor Paul vonWerder (Hope Orlando) providing leadership for the work of discipling students and leaders; Pray for the student leaders God has gathered that they will find joy in connecting with other students in their micro-groups.
- + **University of North Georgia, Dahlonega GA – Pastor David Kruger, St. Peter Dahlonega**
- + **University of Florida, Gainesville FL – Pastor John Glover, First Gainesville**
- + **University of South Florida, Tampa; Univ of Tampa – Abby Moss, Messiah Tampa**
- + **University of Tampa – Pastor Dan Prugh, Holy Trinity, Tampa**

For Mission & Outreach Work

- + **Messiah Latino, Tampa; Hope, Plant City** – Pastor John Cobos
- + **Immanuel Brandon**, outreach to Hispanics and Spanish worship start, Pastor Miguel & Katherine Sanabria
- + **Pelican Golden Gate, Naples** – Pastor Mark Eisold, who is working to instruct 8 potential Spanish-speaking deacons in Christian Doctrine, a pre-requisite to further deacon or pastoral studies.

THURSDAY

GREAT SENDING – DISTRICT MISSION & OUTREACH

- + **REV7:9 project**, the partnership of the District and Mission Nation Publishing, seeking to help congregations start new local ministry with neighbors of differing cultures. Pray for **Rev. Dr. Victor Belton**, Project Director, and for **these participating congregations and pastors**. Ask for clarity, discernment, and engagement, and for God to raise up mission “igniters” both within the congregation and in the community. Pray for every spiritual force of darkness to be overcome, that the eternal destiny of all redeemed by Christ will be proclaimed and received with eager joy.

Lord of Life, Stockbridge GA, Rev. Carl Morton

St. Paul, Peachtree City GA, Rev. Mark Dahn

Trinity, Savannah GA, Rev. Jeff Webb

Mt. Calvary, Warner Robins GA, Rev. Andrew Howe

Faith, Merrit Island FL, Rev. Andy Schermbeck

Christ, Lakeland FL, Rev. Chris Hazzard

Holy Trinity, Tampa, Rev. Dan Prugh

Good Shepherd, Gainesville GA, Rev. Dan Sparling

Bethlehem, Jacksonville FL, Rev. Dana Brones

Hope, Plant City FL Rev. Dean Pfeffer

Our Savior, Lake Worth FL, Rev. Jacob Roedsens

Our Savior, Plantation FL, Rev. Tony Durante

Christus Victor, Athens GA, Rev. Greg Michael

University Lutheran, Tallahassee FL, Rev. Jay Winters

Messiah, Tampa FL, Rev. Mark Adrian

Oak Road, Lilburn GA, Rev. Andrew Wrasman

Trinity, Rockledge FL, Rev. Ron Meyr

St. Paul, Weston FL, Rev. Scott Henze

St. Paul, Boca Raton FL, Rev. Steve Carretto

Grace, Naples FL, Rev. Keith Lingsch

The Pelican, Naples FL, Rev. Mark Eisold

Peace, Decatur GA, Rev. Terrell Davis

- + **Amigos Ministries of SWFL (AMOS) & Amigos Center Immigration Services**, Fort Myers, Rev. Robert Selle, Lindsay Ray (Exec Dir of Immigration Services), Vicar Niclau Alcena, Rev. Karl Glander, Rev. Mark Eisold
- + **Stepping Stone Mission/New Life Mission** in metro Atlanta, Rev. Joseph Song. Ask God to bless their efforts to feed and clothe homeless brothers and sisters.
- + For Pastor Matt Peebles and the **Kairos Network**. Pray that God will bless **The Missionary Pathway** training for everyday disciples, which will launch in November in FLGA
- + Pray boldly that God will bless the vision of nearly 20% of our congregations (36 of them) who want to start some new type of faith community in the next 12-15 months
- + For **Lutheran Bible Translators’ Living Water** project which gives listeners the opportunity to experience God’s Word through music. Every verse of the ESV New Testament is sung by vocalists to bless listeners in a new and fresh way.
- + For the **Mission Leader Network** which is being formed in FLGA – this will network at least one pastor and one lay leader from every Circuit to share mission action, ideas, learning, encouragement and prayer. Pray for God to raise up mission practitioners from around the District who want to lead mission work into the future!
- + Pray for our **Lutheran elementary and pre-schools**, as well as Early Childhood Centers. Ask God to bless the new families in our schools, and those who are returning, that the Word of Christ will reach into families and communities through our Lutheran schools!
- + Pray for our **School Administrators, Teachers, Helpers and staff members** as they share Jesus’ love and His Word daily with children and families.
- + That our schools and congregations may be united in God’s sending mission
- + For **every-day disciples**, that they may see and learn to love their personal mission fields, and so to engage as the priesthood of all believers. Ask God to show you who He is sending you to and to enable you to listen and to share the Good News.
- + That God will provide volunteers in every congregation who serve as an overflow from His deep love for them
- + That God will shape every member of our church families to glorify and honor Him so that all will see and experience the wonder of our Great God!

FRIDAY

GREAT SENDING – PEOPLE IN MISSION

- + *Join in the 10:02 Prayer daily (Luke 10:2)* - Ask the Lord to raise up and send workers into His harvest fields. Pray also that God will raise up more faithful pray-ers for the harvest in every congregation, flgadistrict.org/prayerpartner/
- + That each person in the FLGA District will be Jesus' instrument to bring healing, peace, and comfort to those who are fearful or hurting in any way.
- + Thanksgiving for LERT (Lutheran Early Response Teams) whom God sent to help those in need after Hurricane Ian's destruction; Praise God for supplying the needs of His people through countless hours of volunteer work by those sent to serve their neighbors in love
- + For LCEF Vice President Jay Wendland and his work as Disaster Relief Coordinator for the FL-GA District, that God would provide him with everything needed to carry out this serving ministry
- + For every Christian person who reached out in Jesus' love to help their neighbors recover from Ian
- + For President Rockey and the FLGA staff: Laura Zirbel, Jennifer Tanner, Peter Meier, Jay Wendland, Kathy Keene, Cindy Hammerstrom, Debbie Arrington, Meridith Swanson. Give thanks for these servants and bless their ministry!
- + For our District Vice Presidents Victor Belton, Jay Winters, Charles Reich, David Brockhoff and Stephen Carretto, for District Secretary Greg Michael, for Circuit Visitors and members of the District Board of Directors, that they will bring wisdom and leadership to the mission of God in our District.
- + For our FLGA Area Mission Facilitators: Victor Belton (Georgia), Mike Mast (Southwest FL), and Scott Gress (Southeast FL)
- + Megan Miessler & Rick Armstrong, Lutheran Counseling Services; pray for those whom they serve
- + Sheryl DeWitt and Deaconess Alex Schick, Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries, especially for the second maternity home in East Dundee, IL. Pray for the moms and babies who are blessed by this ministry.
- + Rev. Dr. William Schumacher, new CEO of Mission Nation Publishing. Give thanks for Rev. Dr. Robert Scudieri's years of ministry as founder and CEO of MNP. Pray that God will bless the partnership of MNP and FLGA to research and produce materials which help congregations to gather the diverse harvest in their communities.
- + Rev. Bill Schmidt, Operation Barnabas Coordinator – a network of care for Military members, families, & veterans.
- + Rev. Jay and Julie Das, training pastors in Pakistan
- + Rev. Gustavo and Ruth Maita, LCMS Missionaries in Puerto Rico.
- + John List, Lutheran Life Editor and Publisher, that our District magazine will bring encouragement, ideas and useful information to the people of our District and beyond.
- + Missionary Lophane Laurent, Mission Haiti. Pray for much needed funds to continue the monthly food distribution program; for safety and health-both physical and spiritual.
- + That the eyes of every believer will be opened to the Harvest around them that is ripe, ready, diverse, and abundant!
- + For those missionaries you/your congregation know and support in your Jerusalem... Judea... Samaria... Ends of the earth
- + Pray that the Gospel will be made clear through missionaries serving in sensitive areas world-wide.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY

MISSIONS IN THE CHURCH AT LARGE

- + For the congregations of our 35 Districts of the LCMS that they will vigorously make disciples in their communities
- + That every congregation will have needed courage to truly be a “Sending” church, training and deploying God’s people on God’s mission
- + For the Presidents of our 35 LCMS Districts that they will be filled with mission zeal, inspiring and igniting a growing mission/evangelistic passion and focus within their districts
- + That every believer will feel a burden for the lost, will pray for open doors, open hearts, and boldness in witness and service
- + That believers around the world will be more observant and attentive to people around them, prompting them to pray and serve with Jesus’ love.
- + For our seminaries (St. Louis & Fort Wayne) and our Concordia University System (Chicago IL, Seward NE, Mequon WI, Ann Arbor MI, St. Paul MN, Austin TX, Irvine CA) that Christian leaders would be prepared by the Holy Spirit using these schools for mighty use in God’s mission, whether as professional church workers or as every day disciples who follow Jesus and serve others in His name
- + That pastors and church leaders will get adequate sleep and rest to keep physically, emotionally and socially healthy
- + That as pastors and leaders prepare themselves for Sunday worship, they will keep focused on God’s mission and His purpose for gathering and sending His Church
- + That God would provide hope and vision for churches who are struggling and facing decline, for those who are worried about how they will survive
- + Pray that God will give needed vision to think and plan for how the church will meet the deep spiritual needs of our communities and nation through starting new faith communities
- + Pray for persecuted believers around the world, especially in areas where persecution is being ramped up for pastors and Christian people.

FOR THE NATION

- + For the National, State, and Local elections taking place on November 8. Pray that the people of our nation will take advantage of their right and privilege to vote, and will make their votes informed by godly principles. Following the election, pray for these newly elected leaders to serve faithfully and for the good of all.
- + That all people in our nation, beginning with our leaders, would respect life as a gift from God, seeking to protect all life from the unborn to the elderly and vulnerable
- + Continue to pray for peace and national unity, “One nation, under God.” Pray that our citizens, leaders and the residents of our nation will work together for healing.
- + That as a nation, we would humble ourselves before the Lord and seek His forgiveness and mercy for our selfishness, our lack of self-control, for our desire to be our own gods; for a time of National re-awakening to the Gospel and our need for God
- + That God would guide and direct the leaders of our Nation and State; for President Joe Biden, for Georgia Governor Brian Kemp, for Florida Governor Ron DeSantis and their staffs, for National and State legislators, for the Supreme Court and all Judges, that they will make godly decisions for the common good
- + For God’s protection for our nation and its people, especially for protection of our military personnel and their families, for police and firefighters as they serve and protect our communities
- + For those who are unemployed, that they may find suitable work, and for those employers who are seeking workers that their jobs might be filled by responsible and faithful employees
- + For our nation to withstand ungodly influences from within and without

The Great Sending Jubilee—2022

God's Heart for the WORLD beating through YOU

Each month of 2022 features one of the 12 Mission Theses and a brief Great Sending teaching. These are taken from The Great Sending, Will Sohns, 2021. Tenth Power Publishing, Elgin, IL, 2021, www.thegreatsending.com. See the District Website (<https://flgadistrict.org/the-great-sending/>) for Great Sending Jubilee information and resources.

How might the following thoughts guide your praying and action?

Thesis 11

We believe, teach, and confess that
God gives His church a wide variety of gifts and people for the *missio Dei*,
with unique contributions of people of all ethnic backgrounds
in the culture of our life together.
(1 Corinthians 12; Romans 12; Ephesians 4)

The Great Sending Catechism (Teaching)

From The Great Sending, page 271.

XIV. WHAT IS THE GOD-CREATED AND GOD-GIVEN MEANS TO CARRY OUT THE MISSIO DEI?

Through the Holy Spirit, the spoken Word of God, Baptism, the Lord's Supper, and the Office of the Keys are the divinely appointed means of grace that create and sustain saving faith in Christ and His merits. The assembly of believers also provides varied earthly means accessing the divine means: practices, programs, and activities. The earthly means must be aligned to the *missio Dei* and the divine means of grace without mere performance. Believers cannot simply focus on the secondary means and practices, with the words "mission" and "missions" being carelessly used as slogans.

John 20:21-23; John 5:39; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Romans 1:16; Romans 10:8-17; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:38-39; Matthew 16:19; 1 Corinthians 10:16; 1 Corinthians 11:24-28.