



CCIH Prayer Calendar: April 2010

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| <h2>He has Risen – Hallelujah!!</h2> | | | | <p>1 Give thanks for a new month and new opportunities to serve God is all that we do; We pray for the time to reflect upon our life and work and to renew our spirit and our strength</p> | <p>2 Pray for CCIH member Ron Pust & colleagues at the Univ of Arizona running a 3 week practical course for medical students & others preparing to work overseas</p> | <p>3 Give thanks for new CCIH Program Manager, Devina Patel, working mostly on Family Planning and Family Health issues; Pray for her as she settles in to a new job and city</p> |
| <p>4 EASTER SUNDAY Give thanks to God for the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the forgiveness of sins; Pray that we may bring God's love to those we serve</p> | <p>5 Pray for new CCIH Board President Laura van Vuuren as she guides CCIH toward new challenges and opportunities; Give thanks for her giving spirit & dedication</p> | <p>6 Give thanks for the international response to the call to rebuild Haiti; Pray for the Haitian government – for leadership & transparency in this effort</p> | <p>7 World Health Day 2010 focuses Urban Health and the inter-related needs of those living in urban areas; Pray for Christian organizations and churches in this work</p> | <p>8 Keep the CCIH Conference Planning Committee and all sub-committees in your prayers as they continue to plan the details of the conference</p> | <p>9 Praise God for the candidates for the 2010/11 CCIH Board of Directors; Give thanks for their dedication to the mission of CCIH and their volunteer spirit</p> | <p>10 Give thanks for church leaders, ordained and lay, who recognize the need for the church to be involved in the health needs of the community</p> |
| <p>11 Praise God for Community Health Workers around the world; Pray for strength and sustenance to be able to continue their service to their community</p> | <p>12 Thank God for Nancy Young, who found CCIH through the Internet and felt called to offer her professional & organizational skills to CCIH on a part-time basis</p> | <p>13 Give thanks for the many opportunities for education and advocacy with the U.S. Congress concerning a Christian values approach to family planning</p> | <p>14 Praise God for CCIH member Henry Perry and his willingness to serve where he is needed; Pray for Henry's several presentations to be made at the CCIH Conference</p> | <p>15 Continue to pray for those affected by the Feb 27 earthquake/tsunami in Chile; Pray for the local churches which have responded to physical and spiritual needs</p> | <p>16 Give thanks for new CCIH Board member Nancy Harris who hosted the March Board Meeting; Pray for Nancy & Board member Douglas Huber who are traveling abroad</p> | <p>17 Pray for Christians attending the Global Health and Innovation Conference (17-18); Pray for opportunities to express their faith and relay their experiences</p> |
| <p>18 Give thanks for the compassion and love of Home-Based Caregivers around the world; Pray for resources & community support for these valued servants of God</p> | <p>19 Thank God for the outreach of the U.S. Government to the faith sector in planning for the implementation of its \$63 billion, six-year Global Health Initiative</p> | <p>20 Give thanks for the many Christian professionals willing to share their work & ideas at the upcoming CCIH Annual Conference; Pray for their preparations.</p> | <p>21 Pray for Haitian health professionals and external FBOs in Haiti discerning the role of the faith sector in Haiti's reconstruction and development effort</p> | <p>22 Give thanks for the contributions and enthusiasm of CCIH student Board member Michelle Fraser; Pray for peace & patience as she awaits news concerning medical school applications</p> | <p>23 Pray for the anti-trafficking work of CCIH member World Hope International; Pray also for their support of economic development of women through "Sponsor a Sister"</p> | <p>24 Pray for the work of CCIH member Catholic Medical Mission Board; Give thanks for its response to the earthquake in Haiti and for inspiring involvement among US Catholics</p> |
| <p>25 Give thanks for the support staff of healthcare services around the world whose work and service is vital to the provision of health services; Pray for their own daily needs so they may continue</p> | <p>26 Pray for the PACANet & CCIH planned Multiple Concurrent Sexual Partnerships Consultation in Swaziland (26-31), a forum for church and FBO leaders to discuss MCP as an important risk factor for HIV transmission</p> | <p>27 Pray for CCIH's management & Board, embarking in faith to expand staff & capacity to respond to new opportunities in spite of uncertainty about assured revenue to cover this expansion</p> | <p>28 Praise God for the active efforts by the U.N. Population Fund (UNFPA) to engage with FBOs; Pray for CCIH & its members as they plan appropriate collaboration with this and other U.N. agencies</p> | <p>29 Thank God for the invitation to CCIH (represented by Allison Herling Ruark) to collaborate with other Christians in planning a significant AIDS focus at the Third Lausanne Conference on World Evangelism</p> | <p>30 Praise God for CCIH member Samaritan's Purse, working in many critical and remote places and bringing God's love; Give thanks for efforts to build & reconstruct health facilities to improve access to healthcare</p> | |

Christian Connections for International Health

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If you would like more information on any of the prayer requests listed for this month, please contact us. We also welcome your suggestions for prayer points for next month's calendar. Send queries, suggestions or comments to Sharon Franzén at sfranzen@ccih.org.

April 1 Give thanks for a new month and new opportunities to serve God is all that we do; We pray for the time to reflect upon our life and work and to renew our spirit and our strength;

April 2 Pray for CCIH member **Ron Pust & colleagues at the Univ of Arizona** running a 3 week practical course for medical students & others preparing to work overseas; <http://www.globalhealth.arizona.edu>; Arleen Heimann, Program Coordinator, (520-626-1992, aheimann@email.arizona.edu);

April 3 Give thanks for new **CCIH Program Manager, Devina Patel**, working mostly on Family Planning and Family Health issues; Pray for her as she settles in to a new job and city; devina.patel@ccih.org;

April 4 EASTER SUNDAY - Give thanks to God for the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the forgiveness of sins; Pray that we may bring God's love to those we serve;

April 5 Pray for new CCIH Board President **Laura van Vuuren** as she guides CCIH toward new challenges and opportunities; Give thanks for her giving spirit & dedication; lvanduuren@medicalteams.org;

April 6 Give thanks for the **international response to the call to rebuild Haiti**; Pray for the **Haitian government** – for leadership & transparency in this effort; <http://www.state.gov/secretary/rm/2010/03/139336.htm>; <http://www.haiticonference.org/documents.html>;

<http://www.csmonitor.com/USA/Foreign-Policy/2010/0331/UN-Haiti-conference-more-than-100-countries-pledge-15-billion>;
http://www.brookings.edu/opinions/2010/0401_haiti_deficit_casaszamora.aspx;

April 7 World Health Day 2010 focuses Urban Health and the inter-related needs of those living in urban areas; Pray for Christian organizations and churches in this work; <http://www.who.int/world-health-day/2010/en/index.html>;
<http://www.communityhealthglobal.net/Topic/Topic.aspx?Action=2&li=8&parentid=7&Gid=7>; <http://www.jhsph.edu/urbanhealth>;

April 8 Keep the **CCIH Conference Planning Committee** and all sub-committees in your prayers as they continue to plan the details of the conference;

April 9 Praise God for the **candidates for the 2010/11 CCIH Board of Directors**; Give thanks for their dedication to the mission of CCIH and their volunteer spirit;

April 10 Give thanks for **church leaders**, ordained and lay, who recognize the need for the church to be involved in the health needs of the community;

April 11 Praise God for **Community Health Workers** around the world; Pray for strength and sustenance to be able to continue their service to their community;

April 12 Thank God for **Nancy Young**, who found CCIH through the Internet and felt called to offer her professional & organizational skills to CCIH on a part-time basis; nyoung@ccih.org;

April 13 Give thanks for the many opportunities for education and advocacy with the U.S. Congress concerning a Christian values approach to family planning opened recently to Dr. Judith Brown and Devina Patel;

April 14 Praise God for CCIH member **Henry Perry** and his willingness to serve where he is needed; Pray for Henry's several presentations to be made at the CCIH Conference; heperry@jhsph.edu;

April 15 Continue to pray for those affected by the **Feb 27 earthquake/tsunami in Chile**; Pray for the local churches which have responded to physical and spiritual needs; <http://www.act-intl.org/news.php?uid=835>; <http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900SID/AMMF-83GTZD?OpenDocument>;

April 16 Give thanks for new CCIH Board member **Nancy Harris** who hosted the March Board Meeting; Pray for safe journeys for Nancy & fellow Board member **Douglas Huber** who are traveling abroad;

April 17 Pray for Christians attending the **Global Health and Innovation Conference** (17-18); Pray for opportunities to express their faith and relay their experiences; <http://www.uniteforsight.org>;

April 18 Give thanks for the compassion and love of **Home-Based Caregivers** around the world; Pray for resources & community support for these valued servants of God;

April 19 Thank God for the **outreach of the U.S. Government to the faith sector** in planning for the implementation the of its \$63 billion, six-year Global Health Initiative; http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/global_health/home/Publications/docs/ghi_consultation_document.pdf;
http://www.globalhealth.org/view_top.php?id=1033;

April 20 Give thanks for the many Christian professionals willing to share their work & ideas at the upcoming CCIH Annual Conference; Pray for their preparations;

April 21 Pray for **Haitian health professionals and external FBOs** in Haiti discerning the role of the faith sector in Haiti's reconstruction and development effort;

April 22 Give thanks for the contributions and enthusiasm of CCIH student Board member **Michelle Fraser**; Pray for peace & patience as she awaits news concerning medical school applications;

April 23 Pray for the anti-trafficking work of CCIH member **World Hope International**; Pray also for their support of economic development of women through "Sponsor a Sister"; <https://www.worldhope.org>;

April 24 Pray for the work of CCIH member **Catholic Medical Mission Board**; Give thanks for its response to the earth-quake in Haiti and for inspiring involvement among US Catholics; <http://www.cmmb.org>;

April 25 Give thanks for the **support staff of healthcare services** around the world whose work and service is vital to the provision of health services; Pray for their own daily needs so they may continue;

April 26 Pray for the **PACANet & CCIH planned Multiple Concurrent Sexual Partnerships Consultation** in Swaziland (26-31), a forum for church and FBO leaders to discuss MCP as an important risk factor for HIV transmission; Pray for CCIH members attending the consultation: CCIH Board President Laura van Vuuren and Allison Herling Ruark (and possibly others); contact ccih@ccih.org for information;

April 27 Pray for **CCIH's management & Board**, embarking in faith to expand staff & capacity to respond to new opportunities in spite of uncertainty about assured revenue to cover this expansion; Pray for guidance and strength to pursue the networking, information sharing and Christian advocacy mission of CCIH;

April 28 Praise God for the active efforts by the **U.N. Population Fund (UNFPA)** to engage with FBOs; Pray for **CCIH & its members, such as the Salvation Army World Service Office**, as they plan appropriate collaboration with this and other U.N. agencies; <http://www.unfpa.org>;
<http://www.unfpa.org/culture/fbo.html>;

April 29 Thank God for the invitation to CCIH (to be represented by **Allison Herling Ruark**) to collaborate with other Christians in planning a significant AIDS focus at the **Third Lausanne Conference on World Evangelism** in Cape Town, South Africa, October 15-26, 2010; <http://www.lausanne.org/cape-town-2010>;

April 30 Praise God for CCIH member **Samaritan's Purse**, working in many critical and remote places and bringing God's love; Give thanks for efforts to build & reconstruct health facilities to improve access to healthcare; <http://www.samaritan.org>;
http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/Newsletter/january_10;