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| SUNDAY  | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY  |
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|   |   |  | <b>1</b> Pray for the <b>Women of Faith for the 1000 days</b> consultation & advocacy event in Wash, DC promoting maternal & child nutrition, attended by CCIH's <b>Amy Metzger</b>                      | <b>2</b> Praise God for the <b>7<sup>th</sup> Faith &amp; International Development Conference (FIDC)</b> at Calvin College, Michigan (2-4); Pray that participants will be touched by the Spirit & filled with love | <b>3</b> Pray for <b>Sophie Savage, Mona Bormet and Douglas Huber and Douglas Huber</b> presenting breakout sessions on Family Planning for Christians & Advocacy for Family Planning at FIDC | <b>4</b> Celebrate as <b>Archbishop Desmond Tutu</b> receives Global Champion in the Battle against Hunger Award from the World Food Program; Give thanks for this man of God                         |
| <b>5</b> Pray for <b>Nigerians, especially Christians</b> , suffering losses and living in fear due to the violent group, Boko Haram; Pray also for an <b>end to corruption</b> in government & business        | <b>6</b> Thank God for new CCIH Board members, <b>David Olson &amp; Daniel Brame</b> , bringing experiences and skills in communications, management, and fundraising                                   | <b>7</b> Pray for today's <b>Bread for the World</b> consultation of religious leaders to assess progress and challenges in meeting the world's nutritional and food needs                               | <b>8</b> Give thanks for the travel services provided to FBOs and missions teams by CCIH affiliate <b>Raptim International</b> so that they can spend their saved resources on their ministry            | <b>9</b> Pray for continued emphasis on <b>HIV&amp;AIDS research</b> , especially relating to children, teens & young adults who face many years of medication and its side effects                                  | <b>10</b> Praise God for those preparing <b>abstracts for the CCIH Annual Conference</b> ; Pray for the Conference Committee as they review the abstracts                                     | <b>11</b> Pray for the future of the <b>Global Fund</b> , celebrating 10 years of operation, needing additional funds to support grants and dealing with a change in leadership                       |
| <b>12</b> Give thanks for the faith, persistence and grace of <b>Rev. Ari Biu &amp; Maitaimako Medical Mission staff</b> , in Nigeria, deeply affected by the current violence; Pray for safety/wisdom          | <b>13</b> Pray as CCIH participates today in the <b>Global Health Council's MNCH Roundtable</b> annual strategy meeting; Pray for a spirit of collaboration   | <b>14</b> Pray for Christians to reflect upon <b>health &amp; wholeness</b> , discerning how they are called to attend to the health needs of others; Pray especially for those living with chronic pain | <b>15</b> Give thanks for the <b>Christian Health Association of Nigeria</b> and the continuation of their mission despite the current economic challenges and the violence of Boko Haram                | <b>16</b> Pray for a greater public understanding of <b>Leprosy</b> which will reduce the stigma of those affected and their families; Give thanks for those who continue to serve in this field                     | <b>17</b> Pray for increased donor support and increased government prioritization of <b>HIV &amp; AIDS patients in DR Congo</b> where 85% cannot access ARVs and suffer terribly             | <b>18</b> Pray for the efforts of the CCIH Board and Staff to pull together the <b>26th Annual Conference, Health-Lifestyles-Christian Values!, June 8-10</b>   |
| <b>19</b> Praise God for the opening of a badly needed hospital in Lagos, Nigeria by <b>Life Builders International Ministries</b> ; Pray for donations of needed supplies and equipment and medical volunteers | <b>20</b> Ask God's blessing on CCIH's recruitment process, seeking to expand its capacity by <b>recruiting new paid staff and volunteers</b> for communications, student outreach, and member services | <b>21</b> Express thanks for CCIH volunteer <b>Marci Stoterau</b> , working to strengthen CCIH's networking capacity by compiling information about the work of CCIH organizational members & affiliates | <b>22</b> Pray for the preparations for the <b>10<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Advocacy Days</b> Conference on March 23rd in Washington, DC, exploring economy, livelihood and our national priorities        | <b>23</b> Praise God for CCIH's past and future involvement with <b>advocacy education</b> activities; Pray that our messages would be remembered for the sake of health worldwide                                   | <b>24</b> Pray for the <b>Justice Conference</b> in Portland, Oregon, working to restore the fabric of justice, and for CCIH Member World Relief, a co-sponsor for the conference             | <b>25</b> Pray for missions trips organized by <b>International Medical Relief</b> , providing short term opportunities for service for non-medical and medical professionals where it is most needed |
| <b>26</b> Celebrate <b>Ekklesia International Centre's</b> successful free medical outreach on diabetes & hypertension for poor communities in Nigeria in Dec 2011; Pray for a new one in March 2012            | <b>27</b> Give thanks for the passion & courage that <b>Rev. Dr Nyambura Njorge</b> , of the World Council of Churches' Ecumenical HIV and AIDS Initiative in Africa brings to her work                 | <b>28</b> Pray for the inter-faith peace initiative led by the <b>Sudan Council of Churches</b> to deal with the continuing conflict in Jonglei State, South Sudan which has claimed many lives          | <b>29</b> Give thanks for the resources & leadership needed to revive the work of <b>International Aid</b> , addressing chronic medical & health issues related to poverty, and assisting with disasters |  |   |   |

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**FEBRUARY 1** Pray for the **Women of Faith for the 1000 days** consultation & advocacy event in Washington, DC promoting maternal & child nutrition, attended by **CCIH's Program Manager Amy Metzger**; Please pray for the success of these meetings as church leaders unite in Washington to learn more maternal and child nutrition in an effort to build an advocacy voice around this critical need; <http://www.bread.org/hunger/maternal-child-nutrition/women-of-faith-for-the-1000.html>; <http://www.bread.org/hunger/maternal-child-nutrition/documents/the-first-1000-days.pdf>

**FEBRUARY 2** Praise God for the **7<sup>th</sup> Faith & International Development Conference (FIDC)** at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan (2-4), with the theme of "Yearning for Justice, Learning in Love: A Dialogue on Fear & Hope"; Pray that participants will be touched by the Spirit & filled with love; <http://www.calvin.edu/academic/ids/conference/>

**FEBRUARY 3** Pray for **Sophie Savage, Mona Bormet and Douglas Huber** presenting breakout sessions on Family Planning for Christians & Advocacy for Family Planning at Calvin College's Faith and International Development Conference and speaking to participants about CCIH; <http://www.calvin.edu/academic/ids/conference/>

**FEBRUARY 4** Celebrate as **Arch-bishop Desmond Tutu** receives Global Champion in the Battle against Hunger Award from the World Food Program; Give thanks for this man of God; <http://www.wfp.org/news/news-release/wfp-honours-archbishop-emeritus-desmond-tutu-champion-against-hunger>

**FEBRUARY 5** Pray for **Nigerians, especially Christians**, suffering losses and living in fear due to the violent group, Boko Haram, while the government appears powerless to stop them; Pray that Christians resist the temptation to retaliate; Pray also for an **end to rampant corruption** in government & business which enables a few to gain wealth, leading to protests and strikes which can bring more violence and hardship; <http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/world/nigerian-christians-searched-at-church/story-e6frg6so-1226256971035>; <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-16777008>; <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2012/jan/16/nigeria-restores-fuel-subsidy-protests>; <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-15855916>

**FEBRUARY 6** Thank God for new CCIH Board members, **David Olson & Daniel Brame**, bringing experiences and skills in communications, management, and fundraising;

**FEBRUARY 7** Pray for today's **Bread for the World** consultation of religious leaders, with CCIH participation, to assess progress and challenges in meeting the world's nutritional and food needs and to begin thinking about the faith community's role in crafting post-2015 global goals following the MDGs; <http://www.bread.org>

**FEBRUARY 8** Give thanks for the travel services provided to FBOs and missions teams by CCIH affiliate **Raptim International** so that they can spend their saved resources on their ministry; <https://www.raptimusa.com>

**FEBRUARY 9** Pray for continued emphasis on **HIV&AIDS research**, especially relating to children, teens & young adults who face many years of medication and its side effects; <http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/article/2012/01/20120110160240enelrahc0.5928614.html#ixzz1jDryleFb>

**FEBRUARY 10** Praise God for those preparing **abstracts for the 2012 CCIH Annual Conference**; Pray for the CCIH Conference Committee as they review the abstracts; <http://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventID=1051754>

**FEBRUARY 11** Pray for the future of the **Global Fund**, celebrating 10 years of operation, needing additional funds to support grants and dealing with a change in leadership, as Executive Director Michel Kazatchkine resigns; <http://theglobalfund.org>;  
[http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/mediacenter/pressreleases/2012-01-24\\_The\\_Global\\_Fund\\_Executive\\_Director\\_to\\_step\\_down\\_in\\_March/](http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/mediacenter/pressreleases/2012-01-24_The_Global_Fund_Executive_Director_to_step_down_in_March/);  
<http://www.aidspace.org/index.php?issue=174&article=1>; <http://www.voanews.com/english/news/africa/decapua-global-fund-replenish-27jan12-138198494.html>

**FEBRUARY 12** Give thanks for the faith, persistence and grace of **Rev. Ari Biu & Maitaimako Medical Mission staff**, in Nigeria, deeply affected by the current violence; Pray for safety and for wisdom to know how to proceed with the opening of two new clinics; Pray also for needed medical supplies and equipment; contact [ccih@ccih.org](mailto:ccih@ccih.org) for more information about their work and current needs

**FEBRUARY 13** Pray as CCIH participates today in the **Global Health Council's Maternal, Newborn & Child Health (MNCH) Roundtable** annual strategy meeting; pray for a spirit of collaboration; <http://www.globalhealth.org>

**FEBRUARY 14** Pray for Christians to reflect upon **health & wholeness**, discerning how they are called to attend to the health needs of others; realizing that health is more than just physical; Pray especially for those living with chronic pain; [http://edinburgh2010.oikoumene.org/fileadmin/files/edinburgh2010/files/Study\\_Process/Witnessing%20to%20Christ%20today.%20Promoting%20health%20and%20wholeness%20for%20all\\_\\_1.pdf](http://edinburgh2010.oikoumene.org/fileadmin/files/edinburgh2010/files/Study_Process/Witnessing%20to%20Christ%20today.%20Promoting%20health%20and%20wholeness%20for%20all__1.pdf); <http://www.oikoumene.org/en/programmes/justice-diakonia-and-responsibility-for-creation/health-and-healing.html>

**FEBRUARY 15** Give thanks for the **Christian Health Association of Nigeria** and the continuation of their mission despite the current economic challenges and the violence of Boko Haram; <http://www.channigeria.org>

**FEBRUARY 16** Pray for a greater public understanding of **Leprosy** which will reduce the stigma of those affected and their families; Give thanks for those who continue to serve in this field, including CCIH member American Leprosy Missions (<http://www.leprosy.org>) and The Leprosy Mission International (<http://www.leprosymission.org/what-is-leprosy.html>); [http://www.chgn.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=390&catid=94&Itemid=a390](http://www.chgn.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=390&catid=94&Itemid=a390)

**FEBRUARY 17** Pray for increased donor support and increased government prioritization of **HIV & AIDS patients in DR Congo** where 85% cannot access Antiretrovirals (ARVs) and suffer terribly; <http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/press/release.cfm?id=5742&cat=press-release>

**FEBRUARY 18** Pray for the efforts of the CCIH Planning Committee to pull together the **26th Annual Conference, Health-Lifestyles-Christian Values!, June 8-10**

**FEBRUARY 19** Praise God for the opening of a badly needed hospital in Lagos, Nigeria by **Life Builders International Ministries**; Pray for donations of needed medical supplies and equipment and for medical missions' volunteers to assist the Nigerian staff; contact Rev. Emmanuel Ogunyemi, [Life\\_builders@yahoo.com](mailto:Life_builders@yahoo.com); <http://www.lbuilders.org>

**FEBRUARY 20** Ask God's blessing on the CCIH recruitment process as it seeks to expand its capacity to serve and represent the Christian global health community by **recruiting new paid staff and volunteers** for communications, student outreach, and member services; <http://www.ccih.org>

**FEBRUARY 21** Express thanks for CCIH volunteer **Marci Stoterau** as she works to strengthen CCIH's networking capacity by compiling information about which

countries and which global health sub-sectors all CCIH organizational members and affiliates are active in

**FEBRUARY 22** Pray for the preparations for the 10<sup>th</sup> **Ecumenical Advocacy Days** Conference March 23-26 in Washington, DC, exploring economy, livelihood and our national priorities through the lens of Isaiah 58, and for CCIH project manager for policy and advocacy Mona Bormet as she participates; <http://advocacydays.org/>

**FEBRUARY 23** Praise God for CCIH's past and future involvement with **advocacy education** activities; pray that our messages would be remembered for the sake of health worldwide; <http://www.ccih.org/advocacy.html>

**FEBRUARY 24** Pray for the **Justice Conference** in Portland, Oregon, working to restore the fabric of justice, and for CCIH Member World Relief, a co-sponsor for the conference; <http://thejusticeconference.com/#about-link>; <http://www.worldrelief.org/>

**FEBRUARY 25** Pray for missions trips organized by **International Medical Relief**, providing short-term opportunities for service for non-medical and medical professionals where it is most needed; Give thanks for those who offer their time and resources to participate on these trips; <http://www.internationalmedicalrelief.org>

**FEBRUARY 26** Celebrate **Ekklesia International Centre's** successful free medical outreach on diabetes & hypertension for poor communities in Nigeria in Dec 2011; Pray for the next one to be held in March 2012 and for much needed financial donations and supplies; Praise God for the giving spirit of Ekklesia's leadership and staff; <http://www.ekkleisia-ng.org/support.html>; contact Ekklesia President, Paul Achem, [info@ekkleisia-ng.org](mailto:info@ekkleisia-ng.org)

**FEBRUARY 27** Give thanks for the passion & courage that **Rev. Dr Nyambura Njoroge**, of the World Council of Churches' Ecumenical HIV and AIDS Initiative in Africa brings to her work; <http://www.oikoumene.org/en/news/news-management/eng/a/article/1634/responding-to-hiv-with-fa.html>; <http://www.oikoumene.org/en/news/news-management/eng/a/browse/1/article/1634/hiv-next-steps-in-the-lo.html>

**FEBRUARY 28** Pray for the interfaith peace initiative led by the **Sudan Council of Churches** to deal with the continuing conflict in Jonglei State, South Sudan which has claimed many lives since August 2011; <http://allafrica.com/stories/201201251126.html>; <http://allafrica.com/stories/201201290024.html>; <http://www.sudantribune.com/South-Sudan-State-Councils,41438>

**FEBRUARY 29** Give thanks for the resources & leadership needed to revive the work of **International Aid**, addressing chronic medical & health issues related to poverty, and assisting with disasters; <http://www.internationalaid.org/Home.html>; [http://www.internationalaid.org/News/Entries/2011/8/10\\_How\\_Spring\\_Lakes\\_International\\_Aid\\_went\\_from\\_broke\\_to\\_helping\\_the\\_world\\_again.html](http://www.internationalaid.org/News/Entries/2011/8/10_How_Spring_Lakes_International_Aid_went_from_broke_to_helping_the_world_again.html)