



Daily Prayer Guide

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2026



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DEAR FRIENDS

Collaboration, sharing and fellowship - a huge part of IFES. The General Secretary of OPKO Finland was in Burkina Faso in August to speak at UGBB's national conference. Student leaders from across the Andes subregion in Latin America encouraged each other to live for Christ at a training conference. The FEUER network of evangelists resources events weeks across Europe. IFES Engaging the University eLearning program helps students bring their faith not just to a Christian group meeting, but into their lectures and research, into their

interactions with university authorities – learning from each other about what that looks like in other movements. Even where challenging contexts mean that direct help is not possible, movements know that they are being prayed for - like MUEVE Venezuela celebrating their national conference in August. **This year, for World Student Day on 8 October, let's lift up our eyes and stand together in prayer!**

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📅 01 – 06 OCT

East Asia

1/10 Give thanks for a recent mission trip to rural areas led by FCS Mongolia. Pray for students in Khovd who met the team and heard the gospel.

2/10 Pray for KGK Japan preparing for their 80th anniversary next year – ask the Lord to provide funds and use the celebrations to stir fresh enthusiasm.

3/10 Thank God for Christian students in the Indonesian region of Aceh (called

“the Veranda of Mecca”). Pray for two Perkantas alumni taking the lead in establishing campus ministry in Banda Acer.

4/10 Earlier this year, Christian and non-Christian students joined self-care and sports outreach run by SONOKO Cambodia. Pray for those who showed interest in learning about Jesus.

5/10 Pray for FES Malaysia leaders who are meeting to review and plan activities: “May every staff member uphold a discerning spirit as we seek to be obedient to what God has in store”.

6/10 Ministry teams in a sensitive country recently visited other locations to share experience and assist local staff. Pray for more such uplifting connections.



📅 07 – 12 OCT

International

7/10 Give thanks that IFES World Student Day mobilises prayer and unity across the fellowship. Pray that this year's *Lift Up Your Eyes* theme will encourage those feeling downhearted (ifesworld.org/wsd).

8/10 Today is IFES World Student Day – ask that all who shared a prayer request will see God at work as students, staff, and supporters unite in prayer.

9/10 The Ministry Strategy & Impact team helps national movements evaluate the

effectiveness of their ministries through various tools, including an annual survey. Pray for representative and insightful results.

10/10 Pray for the World Assembly 2027 program team – that they will knit together a program that serves our global fellowship in the years to come.

11/10 Ask for protection and discernment for IFES General Secretary, Tim Adams, and Associate General Secretaries, Annette Arulrajah and David Bahena, as they travel globally to support 163 national movements.

12/10 Pray for the IFES Steering Committee meeting in person in November – for favour with visas, safe travels, and Spirit-led discernment.



📅 13 – 17 OCT

South Asia

13/10 After years of prayer, God opened the door for FOCUS Sri Lanka to gather Christian students from non-state universities across its central region. Praise God and pray for the new group in Kandy.

14/10 Campus Link, a bi-monthly UESI India publication for students, recently addressed faith and wellbeing in the digital age. Pray that students will navigate such issues with practical wisdom and theological depth.

15/10 In Nepal, 80+ students enjoyed a two-day student-led discipleship camp in Surkhet - "Transforming Faith". Pray they can bring gospel change to their colleges and universities.

16/10 An IFES South Asia project to equip female staff is drawing to a close. Praise God for the publication of the first of four booklets by UESI India female staff tackling deep cultural issues impacting women. Pray that the first, "Let Her Live" on foeticide/infanticide, will spark good engagement.

17/10 At a BSFB Bangladesh conference in North Bengal this year, 29 students received Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Praise God and pray for all 92 attendees as they apply learning on addiction, reading the Bible, and identity.



📅 18 – 23 OCT

Pioneering

18/10 Give thanks and pray for several movements pioneered in recent years that are seeking affiliation to IFES at next June's World Assembly. Ask the Lord to guide this process and sustain them in the years ahead.

19/10 Pray for a Sri Lankan staff worker moving to a sensitive, Muslim-majority country to support pioneering ministry there – may they know a special measure of the Lord's protection and peace.

20/10 FES Gambia are seeking to launch a fellowship group in the School of Gambia's Tourism and Hospitality Institute – prayer for favour with the director.

21/10 "Pray that God will help us keep reaching the areas we haven't yet been able to, especially through the project in the north." – GBUCH Chile

22/10 GBU Burundi aim to reach six new campuses and ask for prayer that students will have zeal and courage in proclaiming the gospel.

23/10 Pray for the IFES South Pacific team as they continue to explore opportunities to plant groups in the Northern Mariana Islands (Saipan) and French Polynesia (Tahiti).



📅 24 – 29 OCT

Eurasia

24/10 Give thanks that 55 staff workers from across Eurasia benefitted from fellowship, counselling, learning, and quiet at the Eurasia Institute. One said, “I was very happy to see how God worked with my heart”.

25/10 Ask the Lord to bring fruit from outreach events in Balti, Moldova, and to strengthen its student leadership team.

26/10 Give thanks for a gathering of people involved in student ministry

in a sensitive country over the years. A current volunteer said, “we felt supported – that even in such times there are still people who care”.

27/10 Crossroads Armenia served international medical students by arranging professional seminars led by Indian doctors. Give thanks for this practical outreach and the interest generated.

28/10 Pray for 200 students in a sensitive country who attended Restart, a conference “to remind students that each can serve God wherever he has placed them – among classmates, professors, and friends”.

29/10 Pray for students who attended a camp in Georgia last month – for those who started following Jesus and those still seeking.



30 OCT – 03 NOV

English-, Portuguese- & Spanish-speaking Africa

30/10 Thank God for EvaSUE Ethiopia's Business for Kingdom Impact program – a mentorship initiative designed to empower their graduates with start-up ideas that integrate faith and entrepreneurship.

31/10 Pray for ZAFES Zambia – “for wisdom as we engage graduates

and students to raise resources for developing our Centre”.

1/11 Give thanks for “vision casting and capacity building workshops” by FOCUS South Sudan, covering topics like the role of a Christian student and a Christian Union leader. Pray that a new generation will catch the fire for campus ministry.

2/11 The leadership of ABEMO Mozambique ask us to pray for them as they align activities with their strategic plan and seek more partnerships that promote sustainable growth.

3/11 Pray with GBU Guinea-Bissau that “God may awaken in students a greater passion and commitment to share the gospel of Jesus Christ in their schools and universities”.



📅 04 – 08 NOV

Strengthening National Movements

4/11 The Cross-Current course will be introduced to six movements across Francophone Africa in coming months. Pray that graduates will be energised to live for Christ at work.

5/11 Pray for students enrolled in IFES Europe's online Scripture Engagement course, The Diamond – "a chance to go

deeper with the Bible and marvel at how Jesus can be found in all of it".

6/11 A manual about ministry to students with backgrounds in another faith context is being translated into seven languages. Give thanks for this tool and pray it will bless many.

7/11 The International Student Ministry team is resourcing 30 staff workers in countries that are top senders of students abroad. Ask that the vision of international students contributing to local ministry will grow.

8/11 Pray for the online forum on governance later this month – that board members and general secretaries from national movements will be revitalised in their service.



 09 – 14 NOV

South Pacific

9/11 Praise God for an international student who came to Christ through ChatGPT and is now growing through an AFES Australia group in Melbourne. Pray she will flourish and see God work in family back home as she shares her faith.

10/11 Pray with GNYF Vanuatu that “those who have grown up in church (most of our students) would come to understand God’s grace and seek to live for his glory, not just his blessings”.

11/11 Give thanks for PSFC Fiji’s conference “The Lord is my God” and ask that attendees will serve with Elijah-like faith throughout the year.

12/11 Students in one SIUCF Solomon Islands group studied Ezra together last semester. Pray they will be further inspired to explore the riches and relevance of God’s Word.

13/11 Pray that three fledgling movements will benefit from IFES expertise on developing board governance and sustainable support.

14/11 Thank God for 90 years of TSCF New Zealand. Pray that their recent celebration events around the country will mobilise a fresh wave of support.



📅 15 – 19 NOV

North America

15/11 Give thanks for the ongoing work of InterVarsity Press in the USA. Recent titles include *Fierce and Faithful: 25 Women of the Bible Who Dared to Trust God* and *Everyday Discipleship: How Faith Shapes the Most Practical Areas of Life*. Pray that students will be encouraged and equipped.

16/11 Pray for InterVarsity Canada ministry that's reaching and supporting international students in Ottawa,

especially for good connections with the many who come from Iran and China.

17/11 Thank God that Gigi, a hardworking, high-achieving postgraduate student discovered balance and rest through her InterVarsity/USA group at Columbia University. Pray for her and other graduate students as they navigate heavy academic demands.

18/11 Pray for Christian students from Francophone Africa who have moved to Canada for study. Pray they will find their local GBUC Canada group – to be blessed and be a blessing.

19/11 Praise God that over the last 20 years, 9,000 college students have served in InterVarsity/USA's disaster relief programs, including 4,000 non-Christians, with 600 putting their faith in Jesus.



📅 20 – 25 NOV

Francophone Africa

20/11 “Pray for wisdom in leadership transitions and the search for successors, especially for women called to serve.” – GBUSS Senegal.

21/11 Give thanks for contributions from Francophone movements to the French editions of IFES podcasts about Gen Z trends, including views from Guinea, Chad, Burundi, and Côte d’Ivoire.

22/11 UGBB Burkina Faso ask us to “pray for security and an end to terrorism and for the ministry to impact the university, the church, and society”.

23/11 Pray that UJC Chad’s sessions on public speaking will enable students to more clearly, confidently, and creatively proclaim Christ.

24/11 “God has given you a grace. God has given you a gift. The question is: what will you do for His glory?” This was the challenge given at GBEEC Cameroon’s annual conference. Pray that students will gladly respond.

25/11 Pray for the funds and work needed to complete GBEE Mali’s new headquarters and ask that it will be a key resource for their ministry.



📅 26 NOV – 01 DEC

Middle East and North Africa

26/11 Thank God for regional Bible Study training for 80 participants from 11 countries: "I learned so much... it really opened my eyes to new perspectives".

27/11 LIVF Lebanon had their first Father's Day Conference – fathers, students, graduates, and families gathered to share, reflect, and learn. "We're so grateful for this blessed day and pray for more godly fathers."

28/11 After a gathering for emerging leaders, one participant from North Africa said, "God spoke to me, touched me, and revived the flame of a leader". Pray that "K" will persevere in that calling.

29/11 Give thanks for the ongoing ministry of Inspire Publishing House. Pray that *The Compass*, authored by a Jordanian, will help students and graduates "reevaluate choices, values, and relationships".

30/11 Keep praying for peace in this region – and that its movements will be havens of peace.

1/12 Over 100 students attended a "Grill-a-Christian" event in Israel. More than half were not Christians – pray that they will discover Christ's truth.



📅 02 – 07 DEC

Latin America

2/12 “Blessing, commitment, refuge, companionship, strength, peace of mind, fun” – students recently shared what AGEUP Peru means to them. Give thanks and pray that many more will experience such community in Christ.

3/12 Pray for CBUU Uruguay in its recruitment of new volunteer advisers and new donors for the movement – for discerning selection processes and whole-hearted responses.

4/12 Give thanks for a retreat for CEC Panama graduates in October – may they remain refreshed in their witness at work and committed in their support for campus ministry.

5/12 Pray for students, graduates, and staff in MUEVE Venezuela as they continue ministry in a difficult political situation and the aftermath of June’s devastating earthquake.

6/12 ADEE Dominican Republic ask us to pray “that students committed to the gospel may emerge, doors may open in new spaces, and that there may be support from churches”.

7/12 Thank God for students, graduates, and churches who took part in “Running Together”, a CCUH Honduras event to mobilise financial support. Pray for fruitful and long-lasting connections.



 08 – 13 DEC

Evangelism

8/12 Many movements will be holding Christmas outreach events this month (including in the Middle East and Asia). Pray that many will be drawn to attend, engage, and respond.

9/12 Thank God for three new students who attended The Good Seed Kosovo's summer camp. May they find life in Jesus.

10/12 Pray for a student in a sensitive East Asian country who has been witnessing

to a classmate: "I truly hope I will always be filled with the fire of love to lead others to the gospel!"

11/12 When self-confessed agnostic Sophie was drawn to a sticker at an InterVarsity/USA stand, she ended up attending meetings and discovering God's love. Praise him and ask that "little things" may stir great interest.

12/12 Pray for students inspired by the "Controversial Hope" IFES Latin America gathering for Andean student leaders – may they have many opportunities to give a reason for their hope.

13/12 Give thanks that the translation of "What Kind of God?" has created opportunities for Crossroads Armenia to encourage evangelism in the wider church.



📅 14 – 19 DEC

Leadership Development

14/12 Over 30 emerging leaders from nine countries in the Middle East and North Africa gathered for five days of strategic training, centred around “running the race”. Pray for their endurance.

15/12 Pray for general secretaries from South Pacific movements – may upcoming fellowship and training support and strengthen their leadership in a vast and often isolated context.

16/12 Pray for tomorrow’s online retreat for IFES staff – that leaders will be renewed.

17/12 Give thanks for the fourth cohort of the Global Leadership Initiative, comprising delegates from over 20 countries. Pray the program will bless both their movements and IFES more broadly.

18/12 “The Meet” is a new annual strategy and planning retreat connecting staff teams all over Europe. Pray for good regionwide attendance in January.

19/12 This year’s Global Giving Day enabled 20 staff workers from Latin American movements to study for an online diploma in pastoral care. Thank God and pray for them as they apply it on campuses.



📅 20 – 25 DEC

Caribbean

20/12 “Worship on the Waves” – a fundraising event organised by IS/IVCF Cayman Islands was a sell-out. Thank God for this creative and effective approach and ask him to provide for all their needs.

21/12 IS/IVCF Barbados ask us to pray that their board will be refreshed and refocused by training initiatives and that “students will be both bold and true in witnessing to peers”.

22/12 Ask the Lord to provide for an administrator to support IS/IVCF Guyana ministry so that the general secretary can give more time to strategic, relational work.

23/12 Give thanks that nine delegates from JSS Suriname were able to attend the regional “Impact26” conference this summer. May they truly impact their campuses for Christ.

24/12 Praise God that an ISCCF group in St Vincent and the Grenadines won “best club” title at their college’s annual awards. May their witness continue to shine.

25/12 Praise God that he took on flesh in Jesus. Pray that student witness across the Caribbean will both proclaim and embody the gospel.



📅 26 – 31 DEC

Europe

26/12 ÖSM Austria is inviting students “to walk through faculties with open eyes, looking out for where help is needed, to go through studies with a willingness to recognise God at work here and now”. Ask for a compelling gospel witness as they integrate faith with their studies.

27/12 Pray with the movement in Bosnia and Herzegovina – “that God would protect our students, especially in a

context where families sometimes see us as a sect”.

28/12 Give thanks for the opportunity to support OPKO Finland with governance training this month. Pray for the board in its calling to faithfully steer and support the ministry.

29/12 Ask the Lord to provide for UKH Czech Republic in their desire to see each university city served by a staff worker.

30/12 Pray for Ichthus Belgium students expressing faith through art.

31/12 Praise God for all that he has done through student ministry around the world this year. Pray that students in Europe will enter a new term expectant of what he will do.

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