

G O T M 2 0 2 3 SEPTEMBER

PRAYER GUIDE

“Prayer prompts for TBMB ministries supported by gifts from Tennessee Baptists through the *Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions.*”

1 MTSU BCM: Pray for the Middle Tennessee State University BCM Go Cart that is taken out on campus multiple times a week. Pray for the Go Cart to be a catalyst for many MTSU students to be introduced to and come to know Jesus.

2 Collegiate Ministries: Pray for incoming freshmen that campus BCMs will be able to connect with as many new students as possible.

3 Vanderbilt BCM: Pray for the BCM at Vanderbilt Place to reach new students through their “More than Just Making It” series on Thursday nights. The focus is on mental health and equipping students to be the best mentally, emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

4 Labor Day: This Labor Day, let’s pray for more laborers in the Tennessee Harvest Field. Ask the Lord of the Harvest to make this year a historic year of giving and harvest across our great state. Who are you praying will experience the love of Jesus in the coming year? Begin with that one person.

5 Collegiate Ministries: On September 16th, UT Knoxville BCM is having their Connect Rafting Trip for new students. Pray for Bible studies the evening before and safety on the trip down the Ocoee that day. Pray that relationships with new students would be built and students would feel a part of the ministry.

6 BCM Cleveland: Tonight, Lee University is having their second night of Convocation (a four-night worship gathering held each semester). The BCM will host “Pancakes & Pals” for students after the service. Pray that students from both Cleveland State and Lee University will be drawn to the BCM and find a home there.

7 UTK BCM: Today, UT Knoxville BCM is having a special gospel presentation as a part of TNT. Pray for the speaker to effectively communicate how to accept Jesus as Savior for new students connected with during welcome activities.

8 Missionary Care: Pray for those attending the annual Tennessee Missionary Parents Fellowship Retreat, September 8-9 at First Baptist Hendersonville. This special group of parents of International Mission Board missionaries provides a place for fellowship, encouragement and support.

9 Student Missions Discipleship: Pray for the girls and leaders attending Connection, missions event for girls in grades 6-12, on September 15-17 at the BCM at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville. Pray that God will use this time to change lives and raise up a future generation of missionaries and leaders.

10 Week of Prayer Day 1: Today is the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Tennessee Missions. Pray that our churches can reach the state-wide goal of \$2.7 million. Today, we begin by praying for Compassion Ministries.

11 Week of Prayer Day 2: Ask the Lord to call out church planters and mother churches across Tennessee to begin new churches in and among under churching communities, under-served people, and unreached peoples in Tennessee.

12 Week of Prayer Day 3: Pray for God to move in the hearts of families to take the step of faith to adopt a child. Pray that children waiting to be adopted will know and understand the love and care of their Heavenly Father.

13 Week of Prayer Day 4: Pray for Tennessee collegiate ministers that they may lead a ministry of transformative discipleship that rises above current cultural and political divisiveness and develops lifelong leaders that serve the one true Kingdom.

14 Week of Prayer Day 5: Ford is building the nation’s largest automobile plant in America in Haywood County, TN to manufacture the all-electric F-150 Lightning truck. Population in the region may increase by 90,000 over the next 10 years. Tennessee Baptists have an unprecedented opportunity to make Christ known to thousands of people, many who have never heard of Him.

15 Week of Prayer Day 6: Pray for Christian Women's/ Men's Job Corps instructors and volunteers as they minister to participants in jails, prisons and classrooms. Pray that the words of their mouths will be pleasing to the Lord as they share the hope and truth of the Gospel.

16 Week of Prayer Day 7: Pray for AMS/DOMs as they continue to minister to the churches of their associations. Ask God to give church leaders a greater desire to work together to reach the "nations" coming to Tennessee.

17 Week of Prayer Day 8: Pray for Disaster Relief. As disasters happen, pray that volunteers will bring relief to those affected and have many opportunities to share the Love of Christ with them.

18 Pastor's Fellowship: Pray for this four-day, three night Off the Grid Motorcycle Tour, starting this morning. Pastors will tour the mountains of East TN each day as they disconnect from their everyday ministry to enjoy the outdoors and spend time with like-minded ministers.

19 Church Planting: Church leaders will visit planters and places from Fort Collins to Colorado Springs in this 2023 Catch the Vision: Denver. Participants will have first-hand encounters with ministries in various cultures and contexts that lead them to advance their Acts 1:8 strategy.

20 Special Day of Prayer for Acts 1:17 Initiative: This is a statewide emphasis, encouraging churches to pray for the Acts 2:17 Initiative, as Tennessee Baptists seek God's will for the direction of the churches of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

21 Disaster Relief: So far this year, volunteers have responded to more disasters than all of last year. Please pray for strength and safety of the volunteers as they minister to the people they serve.

22 State Leadership: The APSU BCM Fall Retreat begins today. Leaders will gather for community building, worship, and evangelism training for the Fall Semester.

23 Memphis BCM: Pray for Memphis BCM Leadership Team as they continue to reach new students through outreach events. Pray that students will come to know Christ and that they would begin a life of discipleship. Pray that students will be challenged and that they will be disciples who make disciples.

24 BCM Leadership: The UT Chattanooga BCM Fall Retreat wraps up today. Leaders gathered for community building, worship, and evangelism training for the Fall Semester.

25 State Leadership: Pray for Tennessee Baptist Mission Board staff as they meet this week for their Fall FOCUS Week. This is a week of learning and working together as they continue to serve the churches of Tennessee.

26 Church Revitalization: Pray for encouragement, discernment and strength for pastors and key church leaders whose churches are on the revitalization journey.

27 Disaster Relief: Pray for our "Train the Trainer" event that will be used to develop more volunteers who can train other volunteers. Using these volunteers makes having training more convenient for churches and associations who want training.

28 Prayer Ministry: This Pastor's Prayer Gathering and Training began last night at Thompson Station Church. This two-day event is for pastors, men sensing God's call to pastoral ministry, other church pastoral staff, evangelists, and prayer ministry leaders across Tennessee & surrounding states.

29 Christian Women's/ Men's Job Corps: Pray for instructors and mentors who will connect with participants, and that participants will feel the love of Christ and be drawn to Him as they hear the gospel.

30 UTK BCM: Pray for ESL classes held on Wednesday nights with students and local church members who are reaching out to the Hispanic community.



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