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prayer leading up to the
Celebration of Hope?

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30 DAYS OF PRAYER GUIDE

September 28-October 27, 2019

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In the words of our founder, the late Dr. Billy Graham, “The most important steps in preparing for an evangelistic initiative are prayer, prayer, and prayer.”

Each morning our ministry team gathers together to pray seeking God’s guidance and desiring that He be glorified as we serve Him. Prayer has always been at the core of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association’s ministry.

As we work with local churches and Christian leaders to plan and host the Celebration of Hope with Will Graham in Baker Lake, we invite you to join with us in praying diligently and with great faith that many people will come to experience the hope found in knowing Jesus as their personal Savior.

To help unite our hearts together as we pray we offer this “30 Days of Prayer” booklet as a guide for fervent and focused intercession leading up to the October 26–27 Celebration of Hope outreach event.

The guide includes Scripture verses and prayers submitted by Baker Lake residents. It also includes submissions from individuals in communities where previous Celebrations of Hope have occurred. Their prayers reflect the passion they have for their respective communities, and we believe the cries of their hearts are equally relevant for Baker Lake.

Thank you for joining with us to pray for your community. As we seek God in total dependence on Him, we eagerly anticipate how He will be glorified and His Kingdom advanced in the hearts and lives of the people of Baker Lake.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fred Weiss', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Fred Weiss

Executive Director

Billy Graham Evangelistic Association of Canada

Be an ANDREW



*“Andrew then went to find his brother . . .
and he brought [him] to meet Jesus.”*

JOHN 1:41-42, TLB

FOUR STEPS TO SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH A FRIEND.

PRAY



Write down the name of someone you know who needs Jesus and then pray each day for him or her. Ask God to open their heart and give you opportunities to share His love with them.

SHARE



Spend time with your friend. Grab a cup of coffee or attend an event together. It can deepen your friendship and create an opportunity to talk about Christ. Begin to talk with your friend about attending the event with you.

BRING



Bring your friend to the event. If he or she responds to Christ or begins to show interest in the Gospel, they will need your ongoing encouragement. (And if they don't respond, continue to love and pray for them.)

FOLLOW UP



Invite them to church with you. God can use you and your church to bring them into a deepening relationship with Jesus.

I'm praying for: _____

Day 1 Saturday, September 28

KEY VERSE: But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.” —1 Peter 4:7-8 (NKJV)

PRAYER POINT: Pray the love of God breaks through the bondage of sin in Baker Lake so that the power of Christ’s forgiveness will flow through the hearts of the people in our region.

PRAYER: Jesus, You know what is happening in this region and the sins that have hurt us individually and as a community. Have mercy on us, we pray. May Your love in us empower us to forgive those who have sinned against us. We pray for Your abundant love to be manifested among the church and our family members. Teach us to love our brothers and sisters immeasurably for Your glory.

In Jesus’ Name, amen.

Day 2 Sunday, September 29

KEY VERSE: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved! —**Psalm 80:3 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray for God to restore broken lives.

PRAYER: Father, only You can restore the human soul. We lift up those living in conditions of brokenness, despair, frustration, and sadness. We pray this verse on their behalf. Restore them to wholeness, dear Lord. May they cry out to You to be saved, and may they hunger and thirst for You alone. We pray that they would seek You with all their hearts. May those who are searching find their way to the Celebration of Hope to hear the Gospel. May Your face shine upon them, and may their lives be restored to You.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 3 Monday, September 30

KEY VERSE: For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. —**Galatians 5:1 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray for those who suffer from the bondage of addictions.

PRAYER: Father, we pray that many who are in the bondage of addiction will come and hear the message of hope at the Celebration. We ask that they will find lasting freedom in Christ! May You give them strength to withstand every temptation, and may Your Holy Spirit transform them by the power of the Gospel as it is preached that day. We pray that they will know the joy of serving You and that they in turn will be used to bring others who struggle with addiction into Your freedom.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 4 Tuesday, October 1

KEY VERSE: Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. —(**Ephesians 6:4, ESV**)

PRAYER POINT: Pray for those who are parents and guardians of children to see that the children need their guidance and protection.

PRAYER: Father, we come to you in prayer for the protection and advancement of our children. We pray for parents and guardians to realize how very important the children are to You. May Your Holy Spirit guide the parents to seek Your Word, to find Your teachings, and to bring them up in the way that children will respect You O God, which leads them to respect their parents. We pray for the children that are hurting, that they will find peace in You. We pray for the blessings upon our families as they heal and grow together.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 5 Wednesday, October 2

KEY VERSE: And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. —**Colossians 3:17 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray that all who volunteer in the Celebration of Hope will do everything with love and excellence, giving thanks to the Father through Christ.

PRAYER: Our Father, we celebrate the joy of participating with the Celebration of Hope in this region. We pray that all who volunteer will be filled with strength to do each assignment with joy and love and peace. Draw Your church to join hearts in prayer and in deed, that as we unite together for this Celebration, Your blessing will come. May those who have not yet found You, Jesus, see Your love in our words, in our prayers, and in our kindness. Let Your kingdom come here on earth as we participate in this outreach with great thanksgiving unto You!

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 6 Thursday, October 3

KEY VERSE: Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me? —**Jeremiah 32:27 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray that the people in our area will understand and know to the core of their being that all things are possible with God.

PRAYER: Father, we pray that we as a community will remember that You are the God of the impossible. Through the miracles that have happened in our lives, may we be living testimonies to everyone to how You heal, provide, and sustain. We want to be a community that honors Your wonderful deeds. May the people of Baker Lake be convinced that all things are possible with You.

In Your Name, amen.

Day 7 Friday, October 4

KEY VERSE: For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility. —**Ephesians 2:14 (NIV)**

PRAYER POINT: Ask for reconciliation and restoration between all people.

PRAYER: Father, You have extended to us the gift of peace and brought us back to Yourself. Let Your restorative work of peace bring back together those who have been separated from each other. Let forgiveness penetrate all barriers and break down every wall of hostility in relationships in families, in communities, and among believers. May You release grace, mercy, and patience into places of brokenness. You have received us with Your great redeeming love. Let that same love now flow to heal the wounds and restore us to one another.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 8 Saturday, October 5

KEY VERSE: And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus.

—**Matthew 14:28–29 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray that those who know the Lord may be firmly rooted in the confidence of Christ.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, when Peter heard You say “Come,” it was all he needed to get out of the boat and come to You. When the winds came, however, fear gripped him, and he began to sink. Lord, we pray that our faith will never be based on what lies beneath or what’s around us, but in the great I AM. We ask that many will hear You call them at the Celebration of Hope and that they will have the faith to respond in obedience. Keep us from getting distracted with the things around us. May our confidence forever be in You.

In Your Name, amen.

Day 9 Sunday, October 6

KEY VERSE: That they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. —**John 17:21-23 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: Ask for unity in the body of Christ.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, we pray for true unity in the church, just as You and the Father are one. We ask for the grace to forgive one another, to humble ourselves, and to love one another as You loved us and laid down Your life for us. Give us wisdom and revelation on how to walk out this journey of unity, in spite of our differences. We pray that the body of Christ in Nunavut will be made complete in unity—and that the world would receive the witness that Jesus is Lord, through the unity and love in the church.

In Your Name, amen.

Day 10 Monday, October 7

KEY VERSE: With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. —**James 3:9 (NIV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray for freedom from the variety of bondages that have a hold on the hearts of many in Baker Lake. May we learn how to passionately praise God and steward the power of our tongue well.

PRAYER: Lord, we pray for freedom from any and every curse that impacts our community. Let our lips be full of praise and adoration so that we can lift up those with lowly hearts. May we model the power of our words by the praise we offer to You. We believe that Baker Lake will be a blessing to others and will raise up dedicated workers for Your glory.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 11 Tuesday, October 8

KEY VERSE: Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” —**Hebrews 13:5 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: May God destroy the spirit of covetousness and greed in our lives. May He awaken in our hearts a delight in the presence of Christ, that intimacy with Him would be treasured more than money, possessions, or hobbies.

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we know we are tempted by the treasures of this world. We live in such a beautiful place and enjoy many of this life’s treasures. Yet no one can serve two masters, and so in faith, we declare that Jesus is Lord, and we serve Jesus. We pray that we can keep our lives free from the love of money and things of this world. Teach us to be content with the blessings and to treasure Jesus Christ above all else.

In Jesus’ Name, amen.

Day 12 Wednesday, October 9

KEY VERSE: To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

—**Colossians 1:27 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Ask for a strong move of God's presence among unbelievers.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, we know that You are coming back soon. We pray that Your great grace will be poured out as we work together in unity to gather the harvest. Father, we thank You that You have chosen us to make known the glorious riches of Christ to unbelievers. We pray that blinders will be removed from the eyes of those who are perishing, so that they may see the light of the Gospel and come into salvation!

In Your Name, amen.

Day 13 Thursday, October 10

KEY VERSES: What is desired in a man is kindness.

—**Proverbs 19:22 (NKJV)**

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and great in mercy.

—**Psalms 145:8 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray that the love of God will be experienced by those who are lost.

PRAYER: Father, we thank You that You are slow to anger and rich in unfailing love. We ask that You continue to pour out Your mercy over the lives of those in our area who do not know You. We pray that many will have encounters with You that will convince them of Your love for them. May Your love reach the core of who You've created them to be, and may they fulfill Your plans for their lives. We thank You for capturing hearts throughout this region.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 14 Friday, October 11

KEY VERSE: Now it happened, as He was dining in Levi's house, that many tax collectors and sinners also sat together with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many, and they followed Him. —**Mark 2:15 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Let us be willing to invite any and all to be our guests as we introduce them to Jesus.

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, please forgive us for how we so often become proud and self-righteous and look down on others. Only through Your grace have we been saved and washed clean by the blood of Jesus. And only by His righteous life have we been gifted with righteousness through faith. So, Lord, help us to look at all others with compassion and love—not dismissing or affirming their sin, but loving and witnessing to them in spite of it, so that we may introduce them to You.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 15 Saturday, October 12

KEY VERSE: To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against Him.

—Daniel 9:9 (NKJV)

PRAYER POINT: Ask that God's nature, as the merciful and forgiving One, will be made known all across this region. Pray that many will draw close to our heavenly Father, whose heart is to receive mankind and love us with a love like no other.

PRAYER: Father, we know it is Your desire for Your nature to be revealed to a hurting and lost humanity. We ask that as Your people faithfully pray and boldly share the Gospel, many will come into a relationship with the One who loves them and yearns for them even though they have turned their backs on Him. We pray that hearts will be opened to receive the love of Christ, a love that is so pure and deep that it initiates a lifelong journey and an eternal relationship.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 16 Sunday, October 13

KEY VERSE: This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast. —**Hebrews 6:19 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Ask that the message of hope be received by those who have lost their way due to the entanglement of sin and the confusions of life.

PRAYER: Holy Spirit, we pray that You will continue to move over Nunavut and prepare the hearts of people to receive the message of hope that will be preached in the coming days. We pray for those who are in hopeless situations, especially those who are contemplating suicide right now. May they know that Jesus came to give them life and show them the way to a loving heavenly Father. We pray for those who are struggling with terminal disease and asking the question “why?” May they find hope and healing even on their sick beds. We pray for families in broken relationships. And finally, we pray that Your hope will find its way to everyone who comes to the Celebration of Hope.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 17 Monday, October 14

KEY VERSE: I go to prepare a place for you ... that where I am, there you may be also. —**John 14:2-3 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray that the assurance of Jesus' words would bring comfort and confidence, especially in a time of great confusion, distraction, and instability.

PRAYER: Father, we pray that the words of Your Son will bring comfort and stability to our region, which is shaken by uncertainty and constant change. We pray for the truth of Your words to be embraced by every ethnic group, community, and church. Holy Spirit, we ask that You prepare hearts to receive this truth of a promised homecoming for Your children—the weary, lost, sick, and broken. We especially pray that You would comfort and encourage those grieving the loss of a spouse, child, friend, sibling, or parent.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 18 Tuesday, October 15

KEY VERSE: Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. —**Hebrews 10:35 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray for the workers of the Lord in Baker Lake to persevere and endure until Christ comes to reward them.

PRAYER: Father in heaven, we pray that You will sustain all the ministry workers in this region, giving them grace to endure hardship. Guide their thoughts to always acknowledge Your goodness, hold their feelings of loneliness in times of blizzard, and touch their hearts when they are discouraged. We pray they will persevere until You come. O, Holy Spirit, touch them.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 19 Wednesday, October 16

KEY VERSE: Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. —1 Peter 5:8 (NIV)

PRAYER POINT: Pray for deliverance, restoration, and victorious lives.

PRAYER: Lord, we pray for Your mercy and grace among the people in this community, that their eyes be opened to the enemy's plan to destroy them—especially through suicide. We need Your mercy so that we can live victorious lives. Guide our thoughts so that we can look to You in times of loneliness. We pray that we may fear You more than we fear the enemy and his plans for our lives. Help us to be strong and courageous. Restore, deliver and bring revival to our land.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 20 Thursday, October 17

KEY VERSES: And they said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.”

—Acts 16:31 (ESV)

But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

—Joshua 24:15 (ESV)

PRAYER POINT: Ask that God would save not only individuals, but entire families.

PRAYER: Lord, we pray for household salvations. We ask that the message of Your salvation will come in power to families who have been ravaged by unfaithfulness, misunderstanding, and other forms of brokenness. We pray that salvation will bring reconciliation, unity, and faithfulness in homes everywhere. We ask for entire households to be saved and pray that they will serve You as a family for generations to come.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 21 Friday, October 18

KEY VERSE: For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

—Romans 8:38–39 (NKJV)

PRAYER POINT: Pray that many “prodigals” would experience the love of God and come back to Him.

PRAYER: Father, there are many prodigals in this territory who are living in guilt and regret and don’t know that Jesus is just waiting for them to come back. We pray that they will remember Your goodness and turn back to You. Heal their waywardness, God, and restore them to Yourself and to the church. Let this knowledge—that nothing can separate them from Your love—become real to them. We pray that many prodigals will come home.

In Jesus’ Name, amen.

Day 22 Saturday, October 19

KEY VERSE: But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You are our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand. —**Isaiah 64:8 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray that the people in Baker Lake and surrounding areas will submit to the prompting of God's Spirit during the Celebration of Hope.

PRAYER: Father, we believe by faith that You are working in the lives of this community. May You come and have Your way in our hearts. May Your Spirit continue to stir our souls in preparation for the kingdom work You desire to accomplish during the Celebration of Hope.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 23 Sunday, October 20

KEY VERSE: No longer will you have the sun for light by day, nor for brightness will the moon give you light; but you will have the Lord for an everlasting light, and your God for your glory. Your sun will no longer set, nor will your moon wane; for you will have the Lord for an everlasting light, and the days of your mourning will be over. —**Isaiah 60:19–20 (NASB)**

PRAYER POINT: May we look to God as the everlasting Light to pierce the spiritual darkness in our community.

PRAYER: Dear Lord, we know the weight and loneliness of darkness in our community both physically and spiritually. We ask that You would lift our heads and hearts to You, our everlasting Light. Cause Your righteousness to shine like the noon day, penetrating the darkness that threatens our souls. We praise You for what will be accomplished by Your Spirit through the Celebration of Hope. Prepare us to be effective and bright light-bearers to our friends and neighbors.

In Your Name, amen.

Day 24 Monday, October 21

KEY VERSE: Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. —**Matthew 3:2 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: Pray for the upcoming Celebration, that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit would be marked by repentance and the recognition of the need for a Savior.

PRAYER: Father, we thank You for Your gift of salvation. We pray for every lost heart that is coming to the Celebration—Lord, grant each one the gift of repentance. Touch them as they come seeking forgiveness; restore them into fellowship with You. We pray that Your Name will be lifted high and Your Kingdom will come powerfully in the lives of those who repent.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 25 Tuesday, October 22

KEY VERSE: Then they said to one another, “We are not doing right. This day is a day of good news, and we remain silent. If we wait until morning light, some punishment will come upon us. Now therefore, come, let us go and tell the king’s household.”

—2 Kings 7:9 (NKJV)

PRAYER POINT: Ask that God stir the hearts of His children to share the Good News with people in their areas of influence. Pray that Christians will boldly invite their non-believing friends to the Celebration of Hope.

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, there are many people in our region who want to share the Good News with others but are fearful in their hearts. We ask that You would give Your people the boldness and the courage to declare the Gospel fearlessly. We pray that You, the Lord of the harvest, will ignite a burden in our hearts to share this Good News with people who are perishing. Give us open doors and the boldness to speak.

In Jesus’ Name, amen.

Day 26 Wednesday, October 23

KEY VERSE: In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. —**Ephesians 1:7 (NKJV)**

PRAYER POINT: May the people of Baker Lake and the surrounding area be redeemed for God's kingdom purposes.

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, may our community, whose redemption was paid by the blood of Your Son, Jesus, move into and live out the life Your grace makes possible. May many people experience genuine repentance and forgiveness of their sin at the Celebration of Hope.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 27 Thursday, October 24

KEY VERSE: As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.

—**Matthew 13:23 (ESV)**

PRAYER POINT: Ask for the Word of God to produce a great harvest of souls as it is preached during the Celebration of Hope.

PRAYER: Jesus, we ask that the Word of God will be convicting and refreshing for those who come to the Celebration of Hope. We pray that You will prepare the hearts of people to receive the Word. We ask that this seed would not be stolen by the evil one, but would take root in their lives and grow to full maturity, bearing a hundredfold harvest for Your glory.

In Your Name, amen.

Day 28 Friday, October 25

KEY VERSE: Say to those who are fearful-hearted, “Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God; He will come and save you.” Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.
—Isaiah 35:4-5 (NKJV)

PRAYER POINT: Pray that many who live in fear and hopelessness will hear the Gospel message and be saved. Pray that many will experience healing and deliverance through Jesus our Messiah.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, many live with fear in their hearts. Many live in desperate and hopeless situations. We ask that You would visit them with Your salvation and deliverance. May they experience Your supernatural presence in their lives. You have promised salvation to all who believe. Let the message of the Gospel go forth clearly. Enable the people to believe the Good News as they hear Your message. May Your Name be glorified through the many testimonies of transformed lives and situations in our region.

In Your Name, amen.

Day 29 Saturday, October 26

KEY VERSE: For nothing will be impossible with God.
—Luke 1:37 (ESV)

PRAYER POINT: God can change any person and any situation. So let us be bold in asking for seemingly impossible things regarding salvations and situations.

PRAYER: Father, we thank You for the promise of Your power in the affairs of our lives. We present before You individuals who seem unchangeable and so set in their ways against You. For their sakes, we pray. Reveal to them Your great love. Lift blindness from their eyes. Cause them to see what You have enabled us to see—to see You. Enable them to love You and to follow You. Only You can do this great thing. Our eyes are upon You, and we wait for You to turn their hearts, saving them.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

Day 30 Sunday, October 27

KEY VERSE: The Lord is ... patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. —2 Peter 3:9 (ESV)

PRAYER POINT: Ask that our hearts be filled with faith and that we see many lives transformed by the Gospel.

PRAYER: Father, we thank You for Your patience towards us. It is not Your desire that any should perish. Would You put that same desire in the hearts of believers? We ask that no one who comes to the Celebration of Hope will go back the same. Let every unbeliever come to repentance and receive new life at the event. We pray that You would stir our hearts to love the lost and that the lost will be stirred with a desire to know You. May You be glorified through the many who will come to faith in Christ through the Celebration of Hope.

In Jesus' Name, amen.

