

# May 2020

## DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR

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The May prayers have been written by Rev. Tim Travers.

The Upper Room, a daily devotional guide for United Methodists, provides a devotional reading for each of the days of May that goes with each of the Scripture readings and prayers on this month's prayer calendar. The devotional for each day will enrich your quiet time with the Lord in the month of May.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>31</b> <i>Luke 10:29-37</i> Loving God, is there a neighbor (near or far away) that can use my help? If so, inspire me to take initiative to reach out in some way, so that I might express my care and concern—share Your love incarnate.</p>	<p><i>PRAYER WILL</i></p> <p><i>CHANGE YOUR LIFE...</i></p> <p><i>PRAY ANYTIME, ANYWHERE!</i></p>			<p><b>1</b> <i>Romans 8:12-17</i> Almighty God, remind us that we are not slaves to sin; we are free to do good. Show us that even if we suffer now, we remain heirs to Your kingdom. Help us to be a blessing to You, as we have already been blessed by Your grace.</p>	<p><b>2</b> <i>Luke 5:11-32</i> Lord Jesus, when I am sick, bring me back to health. And even when such healing can't happen, I pray you will always help my spirit to be made whole. Speak words of healing to my soul, and it will be well with me, indeed.</p>	
<p><b>3</b> <i>Mark 1:35-39</i> Jesus, You allowed Your time of prayer to fill You up with the presence of the Heavenly Father, so that You could do the work You were called to do. Help me to connect with God each day, so that I can know my marching orders.</p>	<p><b>4</b> <i>Matthew 25:31-40</i> Jesus, You are the judge of all who are faithful, and those who are not. I want to be among the faithful—in my beliefs, in my trust, and in my deeds. Teach me how to show love to others in the ways they need it most.</p>	<p><b>5</b> <i>Philippians 4:6-9</i> God, help me to be anxious about nothing—hopeful about everything. Help me to bring my praises, and my cares to you. You call me to be a prayer warrior, not a worrier. Remind me that Your grace always wins.</p>	<p><b>6</b> <i>Philemon 4-7</i> God, I thank you for all those who have brought me joy, consolation, and encouragement. Some have already gone on to be with You forever, and some remain partners in kingdom work here on earth. Thank you for all of them.</p>	<p><b>7</b> <i>2 Corinthians 5:6-9</i> Loving God, what a joy it is to know that whether I'm here on earth, or present in heaven, I am with You. I am home, for You are my home. In life, in death, in life -beyond-death, you are with me. Praise be Your holy name!</p>	<p><b>8</b> <i>1 Peter 2:1-10</i> Lord, make me a living stone. Teach me to live my life such that I might help to build up the temple of God. In all I do, in all I say, let me stand firm—so that I might be a place where the Gospel is proclaimed and God's love expressed.</p>	<p><b>9</b> <i>Colossians 1:1-14</i> God, Your love never runs out. You have laid up treasures for us in heaven. Equip us to be laborers in the fields of grace, such that the fruit You desire will come forth. Help us to work only for Your glory, not ours.</p>
<p><b>10</b> <i>John 14:1-4</i> O Christ, you have promised that You are preparing a place for those who believe in You. I base everything I am—and everything I do—on that promise. You are my hope and my redeemer. You are my Lord and my Savior.</p>	<p><b>11</b> <i>2 Timothy 2:14-19</i> Almighty God, let my talk be helpful, not hurtful. Let my words be more than chatter; let them be building blocks of love. Let me choose peace, instead of a chance to win my case. Let me broadcast the seeds of kindness.</p>	<p><b>12</b> <i>2 Corinthians 9:10-15</i> Lord God, let Your love be evident to us—and evident through us. Let it shine forth from us as a light—witness to Your holy presence. Let that same light shine upon the path of those who feel lost, that they may be found in You.</p>	<p><b>13</b> <i>Mark 11:19-24</i> Lord Jesus, full of glory and might, remind me that my prayers contain power. It is a power that can move mountains. You promised it. I believe it. Help me trust that there is no mountain too steep or too tall for You.</p>	<p><b>14</b> <i>1 Peter 3:13-17</i> Lord almighty, if we are granted respect, let it come from the love that people see in us. If we are derided, let it be when we have stood firmly on the side of Your grace. Whether our lives are acclaimed or not, our lives are claimed—by You.</p>	<p><b>15</b> <i>Psalms 143:5-10</i> God, empower me with the Holy Spirit. Refresh me with living water. Revive my soul. Help me to walk in the ways that are righteous, and to keep humility as my constant companion on the journey. Guide me away from evil paths.</p>	<p><b>16</b> <i>Matthew 5:1-12</i> Loving God, I accept Your gift of salvation. I am not worthy of it, but You give it anyway. I hold it in my heart and cherish the gift. I am Yours, and You have called my name. I dedicate myself to You, for You are my God.</p>
<p><b>17</b> <i>2 Corinthians 4:7-18</i> Almighty God, it is in the down-to-earth realities of our everyday life that Your great love for us is revealed. We have this divine treasure, contained in our human lives, and it is clear that anything good and holy comes from You.</p>	<p><b>18</b> <i>John 15:1-10</i> Lord Jesus, I pray you'll help me to be a good branch. Let me be pruned, that I might bear fruit more abundantly for You. Let my sin be removed, leaving only that which comes forth from You—the one true vine.</p>	<p><b>19</b> <i>Luke 10:38-42</i> God, if I'm busy with tasks (like Martha), or if I sit at Jesus' feet (like Mary), make Your holy presence know to me either way. When I work, let it be prayerful. When I pray, let me hear You calling me to holy work.</p>	<p><b>20</b> <i>John 5:19-24</i> God, we see Your divine love expressed when we look at the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Christ. Likewise, help us to live our lives in such a way that others will recognize the presence of Christ in us.</p>	<p><b>21</b> <i>1 Corinthians 12:14-26</i> Lord, we pray for those who have suffered illness, loss, or hardship because of the Coronavirus pandemic. We are reminded that we are all parts of the same body. United together, equip us to help those who are hurting.</p>	<p><b>22</b> <i>Ecclesiastes 4:9-12</i> God, help us to reach out to those who are lonely, offer help to those with a heavy burden, love those who didn't think anyone cared. Make our hearts soft and our resolve tough—giving over to You, and never giving up.</p>	<p><b>23</b> <i>Matthew 6:25-34</i> Lord, help us to not worry about the needs we have. You know us well, and You know we are prone to worry. You are a God whose goodness is abundant, not scarce. Teach us to trust in Your abundant goodness.</p>
<p><b>24</b> <i>1 John 3:1-2</i> Heavenly Father, You embrace us as Your beloved children. One day we will be with You in paradise. Until then, we pray that You will empower us with the Holy Spirit, that we might love others as You have loved us.</p>	<p><b>25</b> <i>Psalms 139:1-12</i> Lord God, You know me better than I know myself. There is nowhere I can go that You aren't there with me. You know everything about me, and You love me anyway. Cleanse my life and make me whole.</p>	<p><b>26</b> <i>2 Samuel 7:18-29</i> Lord, there is no other like You. You are to be praised and glorified. Let it be said of me, "Look, there is someone who believes with their whole heart in an awesome God!" And may it glorify You, not me.</p>	<p><b>27</b> <i>1 Corinthians 9:20-23</i> God, help me to be humble enough to walk in another person's shoes. Teach me to practice empathy, so that when I witness to others about Your saving grace it might speak in ways that give them ultimate hope.</p>	<p><b>28</b> <i>Romans 5:1-11</i> Almighty God, grant me a large portion of hope each day. That way, I'll have plenty to share with others. Help me to find needs for encouragement, and then help me to fill those needs by pointing to You.</p>	<p><b>29</b> <i>Philippians 4:10-19</i> Lord God, when I'm rich, let me be generous. When I'm poor, let Your grace enrich me. When I'm busy, let my work help build Your kingdom. When I'm inactive, let me quietly listen for Your words of grace.</p>	<p><b>30</b> <i>Hebrews 12:4-11</i> Lord, where I am wrong, point out my errors. Where I am going astray, pull me back. Where I have witnessed falsely, help me state the truth. Be my constant compass, giving me direction for my journey of faith.</p>