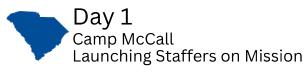


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Philippians 2:4

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2025 Prayer Guide



Camp McCall, SCBaptist's missions camp for boys, is known for equipping campers and staff to live missionally both locally and globally. Camp McCall doesn't just teach missions to its campers, it actively sends staffers on short-term trips, many funded by the Janie Chapman Offering. These short-term experiences have helped launch missionaries like Aiden B. and Wesley G. into longer terms of global ministry. Aiden and his wife Hannah now serve in Oslo, Norway, helping to plant a church and train believers. Wesley ministers to international university students in London, discipling and sharing the Gospel. Both were encouraged and equipped to pursue missions through their time at Camp McCall.

Pray for:

- Aiden and Hannah as they work with local Believers to see the church in Oslo, Norway grow.
- Wesley as he disciples international students in London, that many would come to faith.
- Camp McCall as they continue to equip and mobilize campers and staffers to live on mission.



Day 2
Grace Bible Church
Church Planting in the Lowcountry

In the least churched area of South Carolina God is at work through church planting efforts like those of Geoff Lawson. After completing a residency at First Baptist Church Hilton Head, Lawson planted Grace Bible Church in Bluffton. The residency equipped him with vital pastoral skills and a strong support network. Since launching in September 2024, the church has already baptized four new believers and begun outreach in their community. Their goal is to build relationships in the community, reach the lost, and create disciples. The Janie Chapman Offering helps fund ministry efforts of Grace Bible Church and other church plants as they reach their communities with the gospel.

Pray for:

- Grace Bible Church to continually have open doors for ministry in their community.
- new believers to grow in their faith and become active in sharing the Gospel.
- more people to respond to God's calling to plant churches in this part of our state.



Day 3
Ministry to International Students
USC Baptist Collegiate Ministry

Thousands of international students travel to attend USC each semester—many stepping foot in the U.S. for the first time. Carolina BCM saw an opportunity to help these students feel welcome but also to help reach the nations beginning in Columbia. Through funds from the Janie Chapman Offering and partnerships with local churches, Lindsay Venters and her team are able to coordinate weekly lunches for international students as well as ongoing ministry. Church members provide needed supplies, offer car rides, host students for meals in their home, or simply sit and share a conversation. All of these efforts plant seeds of the Gospel in the lives of students from around the world which often lead to life-changing encounters with Jesus.

Pray for:

- BCM leadership as they seek to build relationships and share the gospel with international students.
- God to work in the hearts of international students to make them receptive to the gospel.
- God to give boldness to believing international students when they return home to share with family and friends.



Day 4

Church Revitalization Cohorts Pee Dee Baptist Association

The Janie Chapman Offering helps to fund cohorts connecting pastors around our state who are engaged in church revitalization. One of these RE Cohorts was launched in the Pee Dee Baptist Association and has already proven helpful in encouraging pastors and reaching communities. Joshua Hilton and Jacob Orr are partnering to bring Gospel renewal to their rural community. Their churches now host joint youth services, outreach events, and community worship nights. Despite challenges facing rural churches, they are seeing lives changed, students baptized, families reached, and hope restored. Their story highlights how cooperation and shared mission are revitalizing churches and impacting the next generation.

Pray for:

- churches across South Carolina to continue finding encouragement and support through RE Cohorts.
- continued unity and fruitfulness among churches in the Pee Dee Baptist Association.
- Joshua and Jacob as they seek to lead their churches well and reach their community with the gospel.



Day 5
Summer Internships
Shelby Totherow & Josh Self

Through SCBaptist's summer internship program, students like Shelby Totherow and Josh Self discovered their callings while serving at Utica Baptist Church. Shelby, a marketing student, used her skills in social media and found a passion for discipleship, which led to further ministry work after graduation. Josh, initially a finance major, confirmed his call to worship ministry, gained hands-on experience, and now serves as Utica's Technical Director. Both interns saw their lives and futures shaped by the experience. Supported by the Janie Chapman Offering, these internships are empowering churches to train the next generation of ministry leaders while energizing congregations.

Pray for:

- Josh and Shelby as they continue to discern God's calling on their lives and pursue ministry opportunities.
- more churches to develop opportunities for the next generation to be discipled and trained for ministry.
- more students to choose to spend their summers serving in churches and being equipped for ministry.



Day 6
Foster & Adoption Grants
The Samson Family

The SCBaptist foster and adoption grants, funded by the Janie Chapman Offering, are helping families say "yes" to adoption by removing financial barriers and providing vital support. Vijay and Latha Samson, after losing their son, felt called to pursue adoption and welcomed Chelsea, a preteen, into their home. With love and support from First Baptist Columbia, and help from the grant, Chelsea has flourished and recently chose to be baptized. The Samsons have recently adopted another daughter, Layla. Their story highlights how SCBaptists are living out the Gospel by supporting other believers, caring for vulnerable children and encouraging others to open their hearts and homes.

Pray for:

- the Samsons as they continue to grow together as a family and seek to honor God in all they do.
- more families to be obedient to God's call to be involved in foster and adoption.
- churches to provide tangible support to families who are caring for children through adoption and foster care.



The Catalyst Program, supported by the Janie Chapman Offering, equips college-aged students and young adults for ministry through hands-on experience, mentorship, and community. Since 2022, 74 participants have trained in areas like evangelism, worship, and youth ministry. Preston Bishop, a former Catalyst, now serves as a youth pastor, crediting the program for his spiritual and practical growth. The initiative not only fosters ministry skills but also builds connections that support church collaboration and leadership development. As churches across South Carolina face a leadership gap, the Catalyst Program is shaping the next generation to meet that need with Gospel-centered impact.

Pray for:

- Preston as he continues to grow in ministry skills and seeks to faithfully serve God in his role as a youth pastor.
- Catalysts to grow in wisdom, faith, and clarity as they discern their callings and serve in ministry.
- the mentors and ministry leaders who invest in these students during the program.



Day 8
Outreach to Muslims & Arabs
York Baptist Association

Northside Baptist Church in Rock Hill partnered with Pastor P, a Christian from the Middle East, to reach the growing Muslim and Arab population in South Carolina. Through the York Baptist Association and the Janie Chapman Offering, Pastor P launched an outreach effort, training churches to engage Muslims with the Gospel. Eight churches have received training, leading to meaningful conversations and five conversions to Christ. Pastor P and local leaders aim to plant an Arabic-speaking church. This ministry highlights the need for churches to meaningfully engage with the nations in their backyards. God is at work in powerful ways among the Arab and Muslim populations in our state.

Pray for:

- God to provide more opportunities for believers to interact with Muslims and Arabs in their communities.
- more Christians to recognize the need to reach this international population with the gospel.
- Pastor P and other local leaders as they seek to plant an Arabic-speaking church.

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