



Rio Grande
Radio Esperanza

**prayer
calendar**
APRIL 2018

1
SUN

Easter Sunday is the highlight of the year for Christians as we remember that Christ conquered death and the grave so we may have new life here and eternal life with Him. Let's praise Him today for His great love for all men and for us, His children.

Luke 6:27-49

2
MON

Returning from their week-end ministries, **BC students** have no classes today. Meanwhile, the **ICS students** resume their normal schedule this morning. Please pray for both groups as they get back to their studies. And thank the Lord for what was accomplished on the long week-end.

Luke 7:1-30

3
TUE

The Administrative Council, composed of the Vice Presidents and a few other leaders, meets twice monthly with President Windle. Uphold them in prayer as they discuss various important matters and seek God's guidance.

Luke 7:31-50

4
WED

Intercede for **President Larry Windle and Ruth (MLS'97)** as they serve God, the staff, and students at RGBM. Ask our Father to guide in decision making, leadership, and teaching as they trust Him to provide their needs.

Luke 8:1-25

5
THU

Uphold in prayer our **deans, faculty, and counselors** who work closely with the students. Ask God to give them a balance of compassion and firmness, so that our students may grow into effective servants of Christ as they study His Word and learn to trust Him in new ways.

Luke 8:26-56

6
FRI

Colds and flu spread quickly throughout the **staff and student body**. Let's ask God to keep an epidemic away and to minister to those who are ill at the present time. It is especially difficult for students who get behind in their studies when they are not feeling well.

Luke 9:1-17

7
SAT

Yalid and Melissa (Espinal) Fuentes (BC'17) were married in Oregon on December 10, 2017, and are working in a church there. This young couple from Honduras would appreciate your prayers for wisdom as they begin serving the Lord together.

Luke 9:18-36



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SUN

Our students and many staff members are ministering today in local churches here in the Rio Grande Valley. Take them before the Lord in prayer as they work with adults, teens, and children, or in music, that their lives will attract many to Christ.
Luke 9:37-62

9
MON

Franklin (BC'05) and Melissa Arroyo are missionaries in Ecuador, Franklin's homeland. They are involved in a Christian school and also in the church. Remember them in prayer today, asking the Lord to bless their labors and their children.
Luke 10:1-24

10
TUE

The broadcasts from **Radio Esperanza** go forth throughout the day and night. In addition to the programming, the staff also minister through special events, prayer, and counseling. Ask God to give them wisdom and the ability to communicate God's love to many today.
Luke 10:25-42

11
WED

Please remember **our students** before the throne today as they plan for the summer. Many will be serving throughout North, Central, and South America, and in other countries. Some are not yet certain of the Lord's leading. Ask God to open doors at just the right time for each one.
Luke 11:1-28

12
THU

Nelson (BC'14) and Pakis (Gonzalez, BC'09) Matus request prayer for Pakis' mother, who is very ill, and for Pakis' health as well. Nelson appreciates our prayers for his responsibility as Dean of Students at RGBM. May God give him godly insight and compassion as he seeks to help young people to mature in their Christian walk.
Luke 11:29-54

13
FRI

As plans are made for the summer, we ask your prayers for our staff who serve in the **maintenance department**. Visiting work teams aid in various projects, but there is often a lack of personnel during the summer. Thank you for asking God to supply more help for our hard-working crew.
Luke 12:1-31



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SAT

Besides their teaching responsibilities at RGBM, **David and Denise Love (MLS'82)** travel often to minister to believers and the unreached. Thank God for His protection over both of them as they visit some dangerous areas of the world and for wisdom as they share their lives with our students.

Luke 12:32-59

15

SUN

Tito (BC'13) and Maria Matus minister to our married students in the BC. Lift them up in prayer, asking God to give them grace and wisdom as they seek to help couples achieve balance in their lives as students, spouses, and parents.

Luke 13:1-22

16

MON

Gerardo (BC'01) and Dalia Lorenzo faithfully serve at Radio Esperanza, where Gerardo is the director. Bring them before the Lord today, requesting refreshing from the Lord, daily wisdom for their responsibilities, and good fellowship with all the radio staff and volunteers.

Luke 13:23-35

17

TUE

Today we ask you to remember in prayer **John and Char Lotzgesell (MLS'78)**, who teach in the Bible College. Pray that they will have the Lord's enabling as they teach and that their lives will continue to be a blessing and challenge to their students.

Luke 14:1-24

18

WED

We ask you to remember **the faculty** as they have their regularly scheduled meeting this afternoon. May the Lord guide them as they discuss various matters about the curriculum, schedules, and plans for the future.

Luke 14:25-35

19

THU

Please pray for the alumni of the **BC and ICS who graduated last December**. As they adjust to ministering in various places and among differing people groups, they will experience new and challenging situations. Pray that they will realize their total reliance on their faithful Heavenly Father.

Luke 15:1-10

20
FRI

We do not take for granted the sacrifices that some of our friends make in order to provide funding for the biblical training of our students. Thank God with us for each one who is part of our team, and ask Him to direct in **the careful use of all funds that we receive.**

Luke 15:11-32

21
SAT

Fernando (BC'89) and Isabel Garcia travel often throughout Mexico, sharing God's Word, interpreting for visiting teams, and assisting the poor. Thank the Lord for them today, and ask Him to give them the necessary resources and strength to continue serving others.

Luke 16

22
SUN

David (BC'83) and Neli (BC'14) Loyola appreciate your prayers as they serve at RGBM: David as VP of Education and Neli as hostess at the guest house. Intercede for them today as they seek to honor God with their service and influence our students to follow Him.

Luke 17:1-19

23
MON

Jerry and Tammy Brown (MLS'03) have been working in New Orleans, LA, but due to her heart condition, doctors recommended they move to a dryer climate. Pray for this need and ask God to supply funds for her expensive medication.

Luke 17:20-37

24
TUE

Please lift up in prayer **Brycee Loyola**, who plays a key part in the transition from the MLS to the ICS curriculum. Pray, too, for her husband, **David G. Loyola**, a freelance graphic artist. Ask God to continue blessing this family as they serve Him.

Luke 18:1-23

25
WED

Intercede for **Noel Ascencio (BC'92)** and his unique ministry to children. Traveling throughout Latin America and the US, he uses puppets and mimes to present biblical truths and also teaches others to use these means to reach children. Pray that many will come to the Lord through his ministry.

Luke 18:24-43

26
THU

Diego (BC'2016) and Andrea Manosalva appreciate prayer as they serve on the RGBM staff, Diego in the music department. He has been preparing two music teams to travel this summer to represent RGBM and recently began pastoring a local church as well. Lift them and their children up in prayer today.

Luke 19:1-27

27
FRI

In a few weeks another class of Bible College and Intercultural Studies **students will graduate.** We ask prayer especially for those who are uncertain about future ministries. Ask God to give them His peace as they wait on Him for guidance and that they will have hearts willing to follow His leading.

Luke 19:28-48

28

SAT

Music Recitals will take place this afternoon and evening at the Friesen Building. Pray for all those who will be participating, and thank the Lord for their teachers who have patiently taught them this semester.

Luke 20:1-26

29

SUN

Intercede today for **Jose and Marylu Marco (BC'15)** as they work among Hispanics in Summit, IL, and mentor our in-field students who serve in that area for their six-month internship. Pray that God will supply all the wisdom, compassion, and resources they need to carry on.

Luke 20:27-47

30

MON

Dale and Bev Driedger (MLS'14), in Bolivia, are teaching, developing a camp, and using their music talents. They also help their neighbors, particularly Old Mennonites who leave their colonies looking for a better life. Pray for Dale and Bev as they desire to be salt and light in dark places.

Luke 21:1-19

This publication is designed to inform you of specific prayer needs at Rio Grande Bible Ministries and our alumni throughout the Spanish-speaking world. We list a prayer request and Bible reading for each day of the month.

Thank you so much for joining us in this vital prayer ministry.



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