



GB INTERNATIONAL PRAYER CALENDAR 2018

AUGUST 2018

FRUITFUL & OVERFLOWING:

Use this month to think about our sub-theme:
GROWTH

REFLECTION

Theme Verse: [2 Peter 3:18](#) *But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.*

Did you realize that God wants you to grow up? God isn't content that you have put your trust in Jesus Christ as Saviour, he now wants you to grow

Paul wrote the letter of [1 Corinthians](#) four or five years after he had ministered in the city of Corinth. He expected that that amount of time would be sufficient time for the Corinthians to have reached a level of maturity. Here's what he says in [1 Corinthians 3](#): ¹*Dear brothers and sisters, when I was with you I couldn't talk to you as I would to mature Christians. I had to talk as though you belonged to this world or as though you were infants in the Christian life.* ²*I had to feed you with milk and not with solid food, because you couldn't handle anything stronger. And you still aren't ready,* ³*for you are still controlled by your own sinful desires. You are jealous of one another and quarrel with each other.*

We will equip you with the **skills** you need to develop as Christians. Here are **Seven Basic Habits** which will help you develop in order to grow to spiritual maturity:

1. *In order to grow we need to eat—The Bible*
2. *In order to grow we need to breathe—Prayer*
3. *In order to grow we need good spiritual hygiene—Confession of sin*
4. *In order to grow we need a caring family—Fellowship*
5. *In order to grow we need regular exercise—Service*
6. *In order to grow we need protection—Temptation*
7. *In order to grow we need to give—Stewardship*

GO AND GROW!

GROWTH

LET US PRAY FOR SPECIFIC EVENTS & NEEDS

WEEK 1

In some parts of the world, August is traditionally holiday time. Pray for all those who are running camps for their young people. Pray that it may be a time of friendship and fun but that it may also be a time of great blessing as we help them grow in faith

WEEK 2

In many parts of the world August is one of the hottest months of the year, so plant growers will know this is the month where watering is essential. As Christians let's pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives to water and refresh us throughout this summer month.

WEEK 3

Pray for those GB officers this week who may be preparing for the new school and GB year ahead, as children return from their summer breaks.

WEEK 4

Pray for GB Scotland's Celebration Praise Service (26 August 2018) being held at the Caird Hall, Dundee for up to 2000 girls and leaders. Christ is at the core of all we do and on this special day we ask that He will be in the hearts of all who attend as they are encouraged to re-dedicate themselves in His service within Girls' Brigade.

Let's echo their prayers as they give thanks for 125 years of GB and all that has been achieved and as we rededicate ourselves to seek, serve and follow Christ.

PRAY FOR GIRLS & YOUNG WOMEN ROUND THE WORLD

We know that for around 2 billion women and girls worldwide, menstruation is a monthly reality. We also know that in many low-income countries, managing their periods is a major challenge. According to a study from UNICEF, 1 in 3 girls in South Asia knew nothing about menstruation prior to having their first period. Pray for those campaigning or practically supporting those who need sanitary products or who are providing education in this area of health care.