

Note: Highlighted in the 2021 Prayer guide are purposeful request for the NCFI leadership and work of the ministry. In addition, non-member countries are delineated with a " * "

God is able to bless abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

January

NCFI organisation

UPDATE NCFI Virtual World Congress 9-11. July 2021

THEME for 2021: Opportunities and Challenges in Nursing Today: A Christ-centered Response

- **1.** Thank God for each volunteer serving on NCFI's International Board (IB).
- **2.** Through the work of the IB, pray that NCFI is able to reach out to nurses from around the world and support national NCFs.
- Pray that God will guide and provide for each IB member and the working committees they are on so that nurses will be blessed and God be glorified.
- **4.** Pray for each committee: Executive, Prayer & Care, Expansion Ministry, Regional Chairs, Finance and Media & Technology.
- **5.** Pray for the planning and financing of the upcoming NCFI Virtual Congress (July 9-11).
- **6.** Pray for Kamalini and Barb (co-chairs), Marg (technology-lead), and Steve (treasurer) as they strategize the virtual format for the Congress.
- 7. Pray that nurses and midwives, including those in the most isolated parts of the world, will be able to access and be strengthened and inspired through the congress proceedings.
- **8.** Pray for the International Institute of Christian Nursing (IICN) and the IICN Steering Committee.

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- **9.** Thank God for the opportunity we have been given this year to develop IICN courses for online format.
- **10.** Pray for our course leaders as they reformat the courses and begin to teach online.
- **11.** Pray that these courses will be a blessing to nurses and midwives around the world.
- **12.** Pray for financial and people resources for NCFI to continue and expand its ministry.
- **13.** Thank God, for those who donate time and finances. May the Lord continue to bring the resources needed and guide the utilization of resources.
- **14. Pray for NG nurses and regional coordinators** they may continue to pray and fellowship with one another.
- **15.** Pray for ministry outreach to the retired nurses and previous NCFI leaders
- **16. Pray for NCFI Staff & Leadership:** Donna (admin); Marg (website/social media); Susan (IICN Director), Kamalini (Congress Director).
- **17. Pray for NCFI Partners & Coordinators:** Alicia (Faith Community Nurse Coordinator); Carol (Saline Coordinator); Barbara P. (PRIME Coordinator).

SAME

- **18. Region:** Pray for the leadership to be sensitive to God's voice as we develop plans for the next three years.
- 19. Bangladesh: COVID 19 is increasing again in Bangladesh. Pray for staff and students who are working directly with patients. Pray for the hospital staff in the Dinajpur District government hospital. Almost all nursing instructors are COVID positive and two staff died in November. For NCFB members to be 'salt and light' in the wards.
- **20.** *Sri Lanka: find fellowship with one another for support, prayer and love in Christ.

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- 21. India: The National Biennial Conference next year will be held in 2022. Pray for those who are organizing carrying out the program. The saline program is starting up in ENFI (Evangelical Nurses Fellowship, India). Pray for Ganga who is the new SALINE point person for NCF in India. For the strengthening and extension of ENFI ministry.
- **22. Nepal:** Pray for young coordinators who could commit on a part time basis for next two years to reach out to more Christian nurses all over Nepal. Prayer for nurses to face the current challenges in their workplace.
- 23. Pakistan: Pray for courage and safety among all health care professionals particularly nurses for taking care of all patients, specifically, COVID 19 Patients. Pray for being consistent among Nursing Leadership of NCFP for continuing the activities virtually.
- 24. Pray for IB Board Members for SAME: Stacy (Bangladesh--Regional Chair) Sarfraz (Pakistan), Olivia (India)
- 25. Pray for SAME NG Coordinator Sudha (Nepal)

PACEA

- **26. Region:** Pray for wisdom and discernment for our government to navigate the nation out of this health and economic crisis. Pray for churches as we re-think doing 'church' in this 'new-norm' that may God grant revelation to us on His new blueprint for the church in the midst of Covid19.
- 27. Australia: Pray for the families of so many nurses overseas who have died from COVID 19. We uphold them in our prayers as brave men and women who cared for others in the most extreme of circumstances. We also pray for nurses here in Australia as we continue to navigate changes as the year progresses. May all nurses stay safe, courageous and healthy.
- **28. Fiji:** Pray for the NCF leadership and nurses continue to meet and grow as a fellowship centered on Jesus Christ.
- **29. Hong Kong:** All the activities of HKNCF in DEC is either cancel or change to zoom. Please pray for all the participants that we can still be linked and support each other in the difficult moment.
- **30. Indonesia:** December this year, we celebrated the 17th anniversary of Indonesia NCF. Thankful that God continues to lead NCF-Indonesia up to this time. Pray for NCF-Indo leaders that we will

- continue to have the vision to serve God through NCF/nursing.
- **31. Japan:** Give thanks to God; the 36th JNCF annual conference went well in November. About 40 Christian Nurses from all over Japan participated. We received His love, joy, and freedom from The Lord.

February

- 1. Korea: Before the Christian nurse care for their patients, help them to recognize that they first need to receive 'spiritual nursing (spiritual care)' from God. We thank, praise and give glory to God who enabled 26 groups and 300 KNCF members (students, educators, clinical experts, executives, retired nurses, missionaries) to finish the 66 books of the Bible for one year by reading 4 chapters a day with their community,
- 2. Malaysia: Praise the Lord that despite rising cases of COVID, we are still able to network with whatsapp, zoom and etc. Pray for the committee that they will start planning for the 60th anniversary in January 2021.
- 3. Mongolia: Thank God for the new student chat group that has been set up on Facebook. Pray that this group will be a support to nursing students during this time of lockdown with students working from home.
- 4. New Zealand NCF: For those nurses who have undertaken Saline Process Witness Training this year to continue to develop their competence and confidence and be salt and light in their workplaces. Pray for nurses to participate in the activities and organising of NCF in NZ and all new graduate nurses in NZ to find jobs and fulfilment in their work
- **5.** Papua New Guinea: Pray for the NCF leadership and nurses continue to meet and grow as a fellowship centered on Jesus Christ.
- 6. Philippines: Pray for wisdom, unity of heart and good stewardship in framing up the NCFP 2021 Action plan and Budget. The overall goal is to "become a Christian voice in nursing" Writing stage of Basic Spiritual Care: Filipino Context trainers' and trainees' manual and module pray for unity, perseverance, creativity and resourcefulness of the team.
- 7. Singapore: Thank the Lord, SNCF was able to conduct teaching and fellowship sessions for graduating student nurses over six Saturdays to increase their confidence as Registered Nurses in the coming months.

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- **8. Taiwan:** We need to re-elect new board members next year. We are currently consulting the possible candidate. May God move the right persons to participate in the service team.
- *China, *Macau, *Malta & *Thailand: nurses fellowship with one another for support, prayer and love in Christ.
- 10. Pray for the IB Members: Wee King (Singapore--Regional Chair), Juni (Indonesia— Incoming Vice President) & Anne (Mongolia— Incoming President)
- 11. Pray for NG Coordinator Steven (Japan).

AFRICA

- **12. Region:** Pray for continued growth of the region in strengthening the current fellowships and reaching out to new countries.
- **13. Ghana:** Thanking God for a successful virtual conference in 2020. Thanking God for protecting us through the COVID-19 Pandemic. Pray for the leadings of the Holy Spirit in the year 2020.
- 14. Nigeria: FCN Nigeria is grateful to God for the wisdom to facilitate a strategic thinking and development process to ensure effective sustenance of the work in the country as a response to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- **15. Zambia:** For Zambia: We are in the process of working out logistics to facilitate the employment of a Staff Worker for ZNCF. For the Holy Spirit to guide us and unity give us wisdom and as we (national leaders and the ZNCF team in the diaspora) finalise the job description and conditions of service.
- **16. Kenya:** Thank the Lord for our newest associate member; pray for connection with nurses and growth in faith and practice.
- **17. Sierra Leone**: Pray for nurses in Sierra Leone who are meeting in Freetown and Kambia. Pray they may form a new fellowship
- **19. Uganda**: Pray for the leadership of NCFU; Pray that the nurses and midwives in Uganda would adopt a Christian nursing worldview.
- **20. Pray for the IB Members for Africa:** Luke (Ghana--Regional Chair); Izang (Nigeria), Judith (Zambia);

21. Pray for NG Coordinator Collins (Zambia)

CANA

- **22. Region:** Pray for our expansion, both through our member country organizations (NCF-Canada, NCF-Haiti, & NCF-USA) and through moving into other Caribbean countries. Pray for a CANA NextGen leader.
- 23. Canada: Pray for the outreach in Canada where they are reaching out to new areas and holding workshops that have been very successful in several places, so they hope to keep that going.
- 24. Haiti: Pray for health and safety of nurses there because most do not have PPE and must rely on handwashing and masks. Pray for the expansion of the chapter to include small groups from students and from working goups around the country and for new student groups who are desperate for encouragement and connection with other Christian nurses.
- **25. USA:** Pray for workshops in various places around the country and for new student nurse groups forming in the 2nd career nurses who are in Grad Nursing programs; there is a new effort at Azusa Pacific University to start a group among those pre-licensure students in the Entry-Level Nursing Program
- 26. *Bahamas: Pray for Jasmine our new associate member. She has connected with nursing students and started group! Pray as she continues to reach out to students/nurses. Pray efforts to begin a NCF chapter in the Bahamas
- 27. Pray for the IB Members for CANA: Pam (USA Regional Chair); Carrie (USA), & Phyllis (Canada)
- 28. Pray to find a CANA NG Representative

March

Latin America

- 1. CIDEC-AL Region: We pray for countries where there is a fellowship from the NCFI, may the Lord continue to open doors.
- 2. Argentina: We thank God for supporting Nursing in this difficult time, in Argentina, when everything in the country is going wrong. We ask God for rest and comfort for those nurses who have experienced COVID-19 disease and lost family members.

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- 3. Chile: Pray for the growth of ACEMACH and the incorporation of new colleagues. Ask for the strengthening and growth of the group of the city of Villarica. For the health of our older colleagues and may God guide us to continue working with them.
- 4. Colombia: We ask the Lord for his protection against the coronavirus for both health personnel and their families. We ask the Lord for the living presence of the Spirit to face the realities of this age with wisdom.
- 5. Cuba: We ask for all nurses and health personnel who every day face the assistance of nurses infected with COVID-19. We ask for the holding of the UEMEC national conference in May 2021.
- 6. Ecuador: We ask for Ecuador, because in 2021 there are elections and a change of government. May God give us wisdom to choose and put in the right person. We ask to find a solution to this pandemic through a vaccine or a treatment.
- 7. *Peru: We ask that Peru can return to work together with the rest of the NCFI among Christian nurses, since there has been a group of nurses who are still working.
- **8.** *Uruguay: Pray God that Uruguay may arise group of Christian nurses again, between the contacts I had.
- **9.** *Bolivia: We ask for the Bolivian nurses so that they can join the NCFI and for the Bolivian missionary María who serves God in India.
- **10.** *Costa Rica: find fellowship with one another for support, prayer and love in Christ.
- 11. *Brazil, *Paraguay, *Venezuela, *Mexico, *Trinidad Tobago and the countries that we have contact, but that still do not have Christian nursing groups.
- **12. Pray for IB Members for Latin America**: Gladys (Chile--Regional Chair) Fabiola (Ecuador), Martha (Argentina)
- 13. Pray for NG Coordinator Claudia (Cuba)

Europe

- **14. Region:** We pray for countries where there is a fellowship from NCFI, may the Lord continue to open doors.
- **15. Denmark:** Thanks for praying for enough members and donors to obtain tax-free benefits. We have now more members than needed and only need two more donors! Please pray for

- acceptance of our application, which is due Oct.
- 16. Finland: We pray that the message of Christmas will reach the old, handicapped and sick in the hospitals and convalescent centers and homes. There would be staff and volunteers and families to arrange Christmas carols and Nativity stories in various ways.
- 17. Norway: Please pray for each and one of us to be aware of our own needs and values and take good care of ourselves. In this way, we will be able to give the one we care for the best possible care.
- 18. Spain: We thank God for the national Prayer conference which was held online, on the 31st of October and that the group was honoured to receive a medal by the Council of Evangelical Churches of Madrid for their development and work of NCF in Spain. We thank God that in spite of the impossibilty of meeting in person we have been able to start daily devotionals in whatsapp writter by one of our committee members..
- 19. United Kingdom: Pray for all our local groups who are not able to meet in person at the moment due to COVID restrictions. Pray that they would find creative ways of meeting online and that the Holy Spirit who can never be restricted will minister to them as they seek His face together.
- 20. *Moldova: Pray for the Christian nurses, involved in the Bible studies that they will show what it is to live with Jesus. Pray that they will be encouraged in their lives.
- **21.** *Romania: Please pray for the nurses in different towns to be able to communicate with what'sapp and have fellowship in this way.
- 22. *Czech. Rep: Pray for Veronika and her work there. She has good contacts on facebook. May Lord lead some nurses into the ministry of NCF Czech, may be it will be started one day in the Czech Republic.
- 23. *Ukraine: Please pray for the nurses there that they will be conscious of God's enabling in their lives
- **24.** *Scotland: Pray than nurses in Scotland will be willing to join the CMF groups being formed there.
- **25.** *Albania, *Armenia, Austria, France; nurses fellowship with one another for support, prayer and love in Christ.
- 26. * Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, & Israel: nurses fellowship with one another for support, prayer and love in Christ.

- 27. *Lebanon: Please pray for missionary nurses serving here. Please pray for Faydaclinic to continue serving the patients medically and spiritually. Please pray for the Discovery Bible Studies. Please pray for the nursing students.
- 28. *Belarus, *Estonia, *Latvia, *Lithuania, *Russia, *Sweden: Please pray for nurses working in this area were nurses' lives are at stake.
- **29.** *IB Members for Europe:* Rosa (Spain--Regional Chair), Patricia (Spain) & Steve (United Kingdom) & Tove (Norway outgoing President).
- 30. Pray for a Europe NG Representative
- **31.** Pray for nurses and health care workers weary from caring for those with the coronavirus.

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