

September Prayer Calendar

During the month of September, please pray daily for the ministries that request and receive allocated funds from the Mary Hill Davis Offering® for Texas Missions.

September 1

Borderland Association Funding

Is a ministry that creates effective initiatives and models to help churches share the gospel of Jesus Christ with the unreached Hispanic population along the Texas border.

Pray

Today, pray for Christian students along the southern border as they share the gospel. Pray that the Lord uses the hearts and efforts of the Borderline Association as they minister and evangelize those in jail in the Big Bend area. Pray for El Paso and Del Rio Uvalde associations as they partner with migrant centers to serve and witness to the refugees and their families in the border area.

September 2

BOUNCE

Is a ministry provides scholarships and opportunities for Hispanic and bilingual students whom the Lord has called to serve communities affected by disasters in Texas and other states.

Pray

Today, pray Hispanic youth and their leaders will obey God's call to serve through Bounce. Pray that more Hispanic congregations respond to the opportunities that Bounce offers. Pray that God continues to use this ministry to cultivate a love for God, and a love for others in the heart of the Hispanic students. Pray that more students will respond to the voice of God's call to missions.

September 3

The Overcomer Conference

Seeks to prepare women who minister to other women struggling with mental health issues.

Pray

Today, pray for this ministry to identify mental help professionals who will train and equip the women attending the conference. Pray that our churches would overcome the stigma associated with mental health and provide help for those struggling with mental health issues. Pray that the conference attendees will have courage as they share their testimony. Pray that through this ministry those struggling with mental health issues can find hope and empowerment in their journey.

September 4

Parent Preacher Conference

Is an online quarterly gathering where evangelists help parents fulfill their responsibility to teach their children with the Great Commission as a priority. Through this conference, parents will be trained to lead their children to desire to know God's Word and share the gospel with their friends.

Pray

Today, pray for this online ministry and its leaders as they seek to lead well and serve faithfully through this ministry. Pray that both parents and children understand the responsibility they have as Christians to fulfill the Great Commission. Pray for those whose lives will be touched and changed as they hear the gospel.

September 5

Evangelism Strategic Planning and Implementation

Supports local churches and pastors by funding the implementation of new strategies to reach their communities for Christ through community events.

Pray

Today, pray for pastors and church leaders as they lead their churches to reach the lost in their communities. Pray for those individuals who will attend these events, that the Lord will prepare their hearts to hear and accept the gospel. Pray for the church to have an open heart for missions and be trained and equipped to share the good news of Christ and to serve new believers.

September 6

Church Starting Replants

Many churches in America are struggling to find new ways to recover post-pandemic. Church Starting Replants seek to support churches as they return, reaching their full potential serving their neighborhoods.

Pray

Today, pray for spiritual renewal and ability to adapt as churches are replanted. Pray for pastors and their family's physical and spiritual health. Pray for the Lord to provide the personnel and strategies for successful replants.

September 7

Chaplains

Provide and promote spiritual care for individuals in crisis including those in prisons, mental health facilities, and juvenile detention centers. State Employed Chaplain Training provides spiritual care training for chaplains employed by the state of Texas and equips them to better witness and care for prisoners and mental health patients.

Pray

Today, pray for chaplains who work in corrections facilities. Pray for the inmates and mental health patients who hear the gospel through these chaplains to respond and surrender their life to Christ. Pray that the Holy Spirit empowers these chaplains to faithfully speak God's truth to those they serve.

September 8

Revitalization Support for Lower-Income Churches

Many pastors and church leaders face frustration due to the lack of funds for church revitalization needs. Revitalization Support for Lower-Income Churches is a ministry to help those churches, pastors, and leaders who need financial assistance to provide books, assessments, training, and other resources. Please pray that the Lord provides meeting the financial needs of these churches.

Pray

Today, pray that the congregation, pastor, and leaders of these churches truly feel the love of Christ.

September 9

Leadership Development for River Ministry

Provides training for pastors and church leaders on both sides of the southern Texas border. This initiative offers scholarships for students attending seminaries and helps fund conferences and training for families to be equipped to make disciples.

Pray

Today, pray more leaders become motivated to attend training opportunities equipping them to serve the kingdom. Pray that God opens the door and that more churches and institutions be willing to collaborate with leadership development to train more leaders. Pray that God will raise more leaders to develop materials in Spanish.

September 10

Titus 2

Encourages mature women to mentor younger women. Embrace has been created to equip young women for ministry, by providing opportunities for them to explore their calling. Mentors walk alongside these young women as they identify God's calling for their lives through a six-session learning experience.

Pray

Today, pray for wisdom in empowering young women to fulfill God's calling for their life.

September 11

Philippi Prison Ministry

Encourages and supports prisoners' Bible study groups in Texas prisons. This ministry provides training material to participating group leaders in their language, study Bibles, Bible dictionaries, and other interactive Bible study material for group leaders.

Pray

Today, pray that God provides all the needed material for these groups. Pray that God opens the hearts of the inmates to receive the gospel.

September 12

Texas Baptist Missionaries/ Evangelism/ Discipleship/Leaders

Every year Texas Baptists missionaries "proclaim God's salvation day after day. Declaring his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples." –Psalm 96:2-3 Last year, through the Mary Hill Davis Offering, missionaries from Texas were able to distribute more than 1,500 Bibles and purchase discipleship materials for different areas of the ministry such as Baptist Student Ministries, ministries that work with the homeless, and ministries on university campuses.

Pray

Today, pray that God continues to open doors so that the missionaries in Texas continue to share the gospel of Christ. Pray for our Texas Baptists missionaries and their family's protection and strength in their work. Pray that the seed in the hearts of those who surrender to Christ brings spiritual growth.

September 13

Urban After School Program

Many churches want to make a difference in their communities and expand their impact. However, they struggle financially to support community ministry without additional support. Urban After School Program has been created to help those churches start programs to meet their community needs and share the gospel.

Pray

Today, pray for the Holy Spirit to call more churches to start this ministry. Pray for more communities to be impacted through this ministry. Pray for these ministries as they share the gospel seriously and efficiently.

September 14

Special Friends Retreat

Exists to love the least of these. Every year those with special needs and their caregivers look forward to participating in this annual event. They feel valued and are encouraged to go back to their communities and share what they've learned with their friends. When you give to Mary Hill Davis Offering you help provide resources to minister through this event.

Pray

Today, pray for opportunities and funds to expand these camps to other areas of Texas to bless more people with special needs. Pray that more churches will provide special needs ministries. Pray for parents and caregivers as they serve special friends.

September 15

Arena/Outreach Events

Is a creative ministry in which Texas Baptists partner with local cowboy churches in creating arena events where they can share the good news of Christ with unreached people. Through this ministry, cowboy church members are engaged to serve those who attend the events allowing them to witness.

Pray

Today, pray that new cowboy churches are open and willing to utilize Arena/Outreach Ministry to reach people of Western culture. Pray that cowboy churches find favor in their communities as they organize and carry out these events. Pray the church members will build meaningful relationships with people who come to these events to share the gospel.

September 16

Intercultural Ministries

Migrants often come to the United States distressed and in need of hospitality and most importantly, spiritual renewal. Often the best time to reach new groups is when they first arrive in the US. Strategic Outreach has been created to help existing congregations and new churches to evangelize and disciple migrants arriving in the country.

Pray

Today, pray for Intercultural Ministries as they partner with churches to strategically develop contextual outreach for these groups. Pray that God guides Texas Baptists to strategic involvement with churches and other entities as they seek to love and share the gospel with migrants in their language and culture. –Leviticus 19:33-34

September 17

Entrena-T Centers in Action

Since 2009, Entrena-T Centers in Action has partnered with congregations across Texas as well as the Regional Baptist Convention in Guadalajara, Mexico to equip leaders who carry out the Great Commission. Your contribution to the Mary Hill Davis Offering allows hundreds of people to experience Christ and hear about Him through these efforts.

Pray

Today, pray that the students who are graduating this fall in Waco, will have a great impact on their communities. Pray for Javier and others who recently came to know Christ through this program that they continue to grow spiritually. Pray for the 15 churches that are ministering and following up with those who made decisions to follow Christ.

September 18

Children's Ministries

Aim to help children understand the gospel providing the opportunity for them to accept Christ. The Children's Ministry Initiative conference has been created to equip and train leaders to create and develop strong and creative children's ministries in African American churches.

Pray

Today, pray that children across the state will have the opportunity to hear the gospel. Pray and thank the Lord for those church leaders who creatively and obediently lead children in the ways of the Lord. –Proverbs 22:6

September 19

African American Ministries Go Now Summer Missionaries Project

Exist to “provide biblical training to raise and develop strong African American leadership in both churches and communities.” Through the African American Ministries Go Now Summer Missionaries project, college students receive scholarships to participate in mission projects to meet both the spiritual and physical needs of those they serve.

Pray

Today, pray that more students are willing to commit their life to mission ministry. Pray for the hearts of the unreached to be open to receive the gospel. Pray that more churches would desire to partner with African American Ministry to advance the Kingdom of God.

September 20

African American Ministry Domestic Violence Awareness

According to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, around 10 million men and women suffer from violence every year. The African American Ministry has created the Domestic Violence project to provide awareness about this social issue.

Pray

Today, pray for more churches to address this issue in their congregations. Pray that through the workshops this project offers, victims will find the courage to ask for help and escape domestic violence. Pray that churches be willing to support financially and expand this ministry statewide.

September 21

Mary Hill Davis Ethnic/Minority Scholarship

Every year, undergraduate students from ethnic and minority groups can continue with their studies thanks to Mary Hill Davis Ethnic/Minority Scholarship.

Pray

Today, pray that the recipients and their studies will be used to honor and glorify the Lord. Pray that God will use them to encourage other churches. Pray that churches be bold in mentoring these students to be the salt and light in their universities.

September 22

Combat Human Trafficking Project

Human trafficking is a very serious and complex issue in our present society. It affects millions of men, women, and children, statewide, nationwide, and worldwide. Unfortunately, Texas ranks second in the nation for reported cases in the United States. As the body of Christ, the Center for Cultural Engagement and the Christian Life Commission have created the Human Trafficking Project which allows the church not only to advocate for victims but also to become the hands and feet to bring restoration to these victims.

Pray

Today, pray that the Lord would restore and heal victims of human trafficking. Pray for wisdom for the ministries seeking to rescue victims. Pray that the church be willing to create awareness and advocate to end human trafficking. –Proverbs 31:8-9

September 23

WMU of Texas Home Build

Every year a group of 30 or more women volunteers from WMU of Texas travel to the Texas Rio Grande Valley for the annual home build seeking to bless a family in need of a place to call home. Since 2010, the annual WMU of Texas Home Build has offered hope, built relationships, and shared the love of Christ with thousands of people and has blessed twelve families with new homes.

Pray

Today, pray for the safety and health of the Texas WMU volunteers during the annual fall build. Pray that the family selected to receive the home would see the love of Christ through the work and testimony of volunteers and choose to follow Christ as their Lord and Savior. Pray that the Texas WMU volunteers be a witness to the community and open the door for more effective sharing of the gospel.

September 24

Christian Women's Job Corps/ Christian Men's Job Corps

ministry serves men and women by empowering and equipping them for life employment. In the words of a participant, it is "a life-changing experience." in which these men and women find hope for their professional, spiritual, and personal development.

Pray

Today, pray for strength, endurance, and joy for existing site leadership. Pray for more workers into the Harvest field through CWJC/CMJC. –Matthew 9:37-38 Pray that our Heavenly Father provides for the needs of each site and salvation for every participant.

September 25

Royal Ambassador's State Staffer Project

Throughout many years, the Royal Ambassador's State Staffer project has equipped and trained many high-school young men to be on mission. This program encourages young men to seek God's plan for their life as they assist in RA Summer Camps and Texas Baptist Men mission projects.

Pray

Today, pray that God would keep each camper and leader safe. Pray that God's presence be felt as these young men serve at camp every year. Pray that the lives of these young men serve as a testimony to the Royal Ambassadors who attend camp and that their relationship with God will be strengthened.

September 26

Hispanic Royal Ambassadors Camp

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called to make disciples who make disciples. Hispanic Royal Ambassadors Camp fulfills this calling through an exciting camp experience in which boys in grades 1-6 are encouraged to develop a Biblical view with an emphasis on missions.

Pray

Today, pray for the safety of all campers and their leaders. Pray that the attendees will understand the good news of Christ and to make the decision to receive Christ.

September 27

Christian Latina Leadership Institute

Women are equipped to take on leadership responsibilities in church and ministry. The institute empowers Christian women to live a transformed and Godly life to bless their family, church, and community.

Pray

Today, pray that students are encouraged to continue developing their leadership skills and that they become agents of God's grace. Pray for the faculty and staff as they implement a new CLLI hybrid model of teaching. Pray that the Lord continues providing financial and human resources for this ministry.

September 28

The Micah 6:8 Conference

"Designed to equip, empower, and educate [the body of Christ] on issues related to justice advocacy, community transformation, and holistic biblical community development and service." The Micah 6:8 Conference challenges attendees to faithfully live their Christian faith everywhere and anytime.

Pray

Today, pray that God uses the conference speakers to bring His message. Pray that those who attend the Micah 6:8 Conference be able to hear the voice of God in this conference.

September 29

Go Now Missions & BSM

"And [Jesus] said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'" –Luke 10:2 Go Now Missions and the Baptist Student Ministry has understood the importance of Jesus's words in this passage. These two ministries have provided a safe and creative place where Texas college students have the opportunity to serve and obey the Lord's calling to the harvest.

Pray

Today, pray that more students will answer God's call to be "harvest workers". Pray that out of this ministry, the Holy Spirit guides the students to become pastors, missionaries, and ministers. Pray that students be bold and courageous in sharing their faith and God's love with nonbelievers.

September 30

Baptist University of the Americas Mission Arlington Mission Trip

Christmas Break trip takes the church to the people by serving the "least of these" in impoverished apartment complexes in Arlington and other areas of the Dallas/ Fort Worth metroplex. This ministry allows students to be engaged by serving at Mission Arlington sharing the gospel.

Pray

Today, pray that more students say yes to God's call to serve at Mission Arlington. Pray that the Lord uses the ministry to impact the community. Pray that students who volunteer will have a serving and courageous heart to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

For more information, resources, and giving visit iamtexasmissions.org

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Mary Hill Davis

The Woman's Missionary Union's principal focus encourages mentoring and discipleship. Mary Hill Davis' life depicts those qualities. During her presidency of WMU of Texas, Mary created and developed organizations to teach women about mission work, which led to the origin of the Royal Ambassadors in 1908 and the Girl's Auxiliary in 1913. These organizations continue to disciple young boys and girls through missions' stories and Bible stories.

Mary realized the mission field encompassed many challenges and opportunities. She saw the opportunity to alleviate some of those challenges by encouraging churches to pray and give to mission work. By advocating these needs, Mary provided financial stability for missionaries in the field by supporting the work of missions worldwide.

Mary saw the need to promote and support missions internationally and in her own state of Texas. Due to her commitment, the state missions offering became her namesake in 1935. Today, her legacy continues as the Mary Hill Davis Offering® for Texas Missions, which supports approximately 80 programs and ministries across the state.