

Immanuel Christian School Prayer Guide

May 1 – 19, 2017

Our 2016-17 Bonus Verse:

**“For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.**

**Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”**

Hebrews 4:15-16

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**Please note: As you utilize this Prayer Guide as a tool to pray for Immanuel Christian School, its students and teachers, keep in mind what a privilege it is to come before the LORD and his throne of grace.**

*Prayer is the easiest and hardest of all things; the simplest and the sublimest; the weakest and the most powerful; its results lie outside the range of human possibilities-they are limited only by the omnipotence of God. ~ E.M. Bounds*

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ICS FIESTA, May 5 – Please pray for the committee as they finalize details for “FIESTA 2017”. Pray that many people would join us at this special event. We look forward to a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship. May God bless this effort so that essential funds for the school would be raised. Please pray for the speakers at our FIESTA as they strive to effectively convey our message to all in attendance.

Upcoming Plays, Performances and Field Trips – May and early June are very busy with special activities for all of our students. Please pray for all of the students as they prepare for plays and performances, such as the 3rd grade Moving West play, the 4th grade Parts of Speech play, the 5th grade Julius Caesar play, and the Spring Orchestra program, to name a few. Pray for safety for the many field trips during these last several weeks of school.

Student Verse Recitation – Please pray for our students to be diligent to study and learn their Scripture verses well, so that these verses are truly hidden in their hearts for a lifetime. Also, please pray for those students who have taken on the challenge to recite 100 verses this year, for God’s help as they memorize.

Admissions – Our last First Look Friday will be Friday, May 19. Continue to pray for God to bring the new families to our school that will benefit from what ICS has to offer.

CIA Projects – Pray for each class as they continue their ongoing projects in the community and with our partner public schools. Please pray that students would develop true hearts for service through our Character in Action ministries. Praise to God that that 4th grade students have had several good Skype sessions with our sister school in Romania.

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**Parents in Prayer – Please join us on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. after morning drop-off.**

You are invited to join other parents every Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. to pray for our students, our teachers and staff. Contact Mary Sue Smith in Reception for more information. You are welcome to drop in when you can and especially when your child’s class is being featured.

**Topics and Scriptures which our Parents in Prayer group will focus on for May 2, 9 and 16:**

**May 2 – God is Holy**

**Scripture:** Isaiah 5:16; Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 15:4

**To pray for our own children:** But just as You who called \_\_\_\_\_ is holy, so may \_\_\_\_\_ be holy in all he/she does; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.” From I Peter 1”15-16

### **May 9 – God is our Helper**

**Scripture:** Deuteronomy 33:26; Psalm 18:6; Psalm 121:2

**To pray for our own children:** May \_\_\_\_\_ know that You are his/her God, who takes hold of his/her right hand and says to him/her, "Do not fear; I will help you." From Isaiah 41:13

### **May 16 – God heals**

**Scripture:** Psalm 30:2; Psalm 103:1-5; Isaiah 53:5

**To pray for our own children:** Lord, please heal \_\_\_\_\_ when he/she is brokenhearted and bind up his/her wounds. From Psalm 147:3

### **Please pray for the following requests from our ICS Educational Resources Staff:**

|         |             |                                                |
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| Joyce   | Wallen      | Educational Resources Coordinator              |
| Marty   | Crabtree    | Enrichment Coordinator                         |
| Suzanne | Holley      | Discovery Therapist                            |
| Erica   | Granada     | Discovery Therapist                            |
| Diane   | Bond        | Barton Program Coordinator                     |
| Sandy   | Dunn        | Barton Program Therapist & Discovery Therapist |
| Jill    | Rummel      | Search and Teach Therapist                     |
| Mary    | Streitmater | Barton Program Tutor                           |

- Pray for safety, good weather and fun on May 19 for our end of year play day offsite.
- We need prayer for wise decision making regarding our recommendations for each current student for next year. Please pray for good communication as our therapists share assessment results with parents.
- Pray that any additional children in need of help from Educational Resources would be identified and the right intervention decided upon.
- Please pray for wisdom for our team as we plan ahead for next school year.

### **From Marty Crabtree, Enrichment Coordinator**

- Please pray for homeroom teachers in the next two weeks as they work on class placement for next year.
- Please pray for me as I write end of year evaluations for my students.
- Pray for teachers who are completing the new curriculum mapping for this year.

### **Featured Classes for Prayer: 4A, 5A, Upper School Science and PE Classes**

#### **4A - Ms. Sarah Calhoun - Teacher; Mrs. Jan Yantz - TA**

**Character Traits:** Responsibility and Compassion

**Class Verse:** Colossians 3:23 "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord, and not for men."

**Projects/Skills:** Parts of Speech Play, Famous Virginian Research Projects, States and Capitals, Mount Vernon field trip

**Prayer Requests:** We are starting a busy 4<sup>th</sup> quarter with lots of projects and activities. Please pray for focus and determination as we strive to finish the year well. Please pray that each student will give their best effort in all that they do, big or small.

#### **5A - Ms. Alyssa Willis - Teacher; Mrs. Sarah Layman - TA**

**Character Traits:** Diligence and Integrity

**Class Verse:** Mark 16:15 "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

**Projects/Skills:** We are currently working on our Julius Caesar play to perform the end of May. We are also getting ready to create and present persuasive speeches using PowerPoint.

**Prayer Requests:** Please pray that our preparation for the Julius Caesar play is successful and that students would work diligently. Pray that the fifth graders would use this last quarter to become fully prepared to become sixth graders in the fall.

**PE - Mrs. Lisa Fisher**

**Character Traits:** Self-Control, winning without boasting, and losing without blaming

**Projects/Skills:** Lower School - manipulative skills; Upper School - Fitness testing, LAX, Softball and Sports Day on June 8

**Prayer Requests:** Please pray for parent volunteer help for Sports Day, and for students to persevere and work hard during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

**PE - Mr. Travis Briggs**

**Character Traits:** To be energetic, diligent, and trustworthy

**Class Verse:** 1 Timothy 4:8-10 "For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance. That is why we labor and strive, because we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all people, and especially of those who believe."

**Projects/Skills:** Lacrosse, fitness testing, softball, and sportsmanship

**Prayer Requests:** For the students to see the truth of God and his love, that they would work as unto the Lord, and that they would continue to build strong friendships with their classmates.

**Please pray for these 4A and 5A students:**

| <b>4A</b>     | <b>5A</b>   |
|---------------|-------------|
| Sydney B.     | Harper A.   |
| Aidan B.      | Jeremiah A. |
| Amelia B.     | Gracie B.   |
| Mirren B.     | Luke B.     |
| Ava B.        | Ace C.      |
| Braden C.     | Hayden d.   |
| Mary G.       | Joshua F.   |
| Francois G.   | Lydia H.    |
| Joshua H.     | Xavier H.   |
| Danny J.      | Cassie H.   |
| Christina K.  | Madeline M. |
| Charis K.     | Clara N.    |
| Adrianna M.   | Eva P.      |
| Grace N.      | Elijah R.   |
| Summer O.     | Ethan T.    |
| Ephraim S.    | Saul V.     |
| Levi S.       | David W.    |
| Gwen S.       | Jason W.    |
| Isaiah S.     |             |
| Hannah Mei S. |             |
| Nguyen T.     |             |
| Yobi Z.       |             |