

We pray for the **Northern Province** of the church in North America, and ask that its efforts to strengthen its response to Christ's call to be a church in mission may bear fruit. We pray especially for its upcoming Provincial Synod and for your guidance and direction in important decisions to be made and vision to be cast.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for our **Southern Province** of the church in North America, for our 56 congregations and 10 fellowships in 5 states, and for other emerging ministries such as Anthony's Plot Community and Come & Worship ministry at Chelsea's Coffee Shop in Winston-Salem. We pray also for guidance and direction at our upcoming Provincial Synod.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We are thankful for the three **Mission Areas of Peru, Sierra Leone and Cuba** for which we are responsible through the supervision of the Board of World Mission. We pray for the Moravian School in Ngehun, Sierra Leone and for its ministry among people of different faiths. We are thankful for the recognition of the Moravian Church in Cuba by the Cuban government. We give thanks for the growth of the Moravian Church in Peru, in Lima as well as in Chiclayo (Northern Peru) and for the Antioch Service of sister Jirina Cancikova from the Czech Province.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the ministry of the **Unity Women's Desk**, for its director, Sister Patty Garner, and for the coordinators of the work in many countries of our worldwide Unity. We pray for its efforts in education; in addressing violence against women, unemployment and poverty, health issues and parenting for justice. Continue to bless these Moravian women as they reach out to our sisters around the world.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Prayer for the Worldwide Moravian Unity

Lord God of all peoples and nations, with gratitude we remember

- *your call in the fifteenth century that led to the formation of the **Unitas Fratrum**;*
- *the mighty action of your Holy Spirit among the brothers and sisters of Herrnhut in 1727 that led to the **Renewed Moravian Church**;*
- *the worldwide mission to which you called these servants, and their willing and fruitful response.*

With gratitude for the rich blessings that we now experience as members of a worldwide Christian communion, we offer to you our fervent prayers for the Moravian Unity of today. We pray for the **Czech Province** and for the **Czech Mission Province** in our church's homeland. We are thankful for steps being taken toward reconciliation in the midst of the division that separates our sisters and brothers in that land and we ask that by your Holy Spirit they may continue to witness to the reconciling message of the cross and the power of the Gospel to break down barriers that would divide Christ's followers.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **European Continental Province**, that its members may be strong in their proclamation of the Gospel amidst the challenges of materialism and secularization. Continue to bless the outreach efforts of the mission boards in Germany, Holland and Denmark in their ministries in association with the work in South Africa, Tanzania, Suriname and Albania and with the **Unity Undertaking at Star Mountain** on the West Bank in Palestine.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **British Province**, for an increase in laborers for its vineyard, for boldness and inspiration to preach faithfully the Word with joy and enthusiasm; for the annual Summer Camps and their valued contribution to the life of the Province; for the schools at Ockbrook and Fulneck that those who study there may experience not only acquisition of knowledge but also spiritual growth. We pray for the **Mission Province of South Asia** related to this province, for its congregations and schools in Ladakh and Rajpur in North India, and in Katmandu, Nepal, as well as outreach efforts in the Assam State of India and other communities in Nepal.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Lake Tanganyika, Northern, Rukwa, Southern, Southwestern and Western Provinces in Tanzania**. We rejoice in their vital mission activity as they share the joy and hope of the Gospel not only

in their own land but also across their borders. We pray for the **Mission Province of Eastern Tanzania** and for the **Mission Area of Ruvuma and Njombe and Zanzibar** as well as for the neighboring **Mission Areas of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda** and the **Mission Province of Zambia**. We pray also for the ministry being carried on in hospitals and clinics, in schools and the Teofilo Kisanji University. We pray for the ministry among those affected by the HIV/AIDS crisis and for the assistance rendered through the Likewise AIDS ministry of our Board of World Mission.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Democratic Republic of Congo Province**, for its bishop, M. Tschimanga, for its congregations and for the Wilsamal University in Mwene Ditu.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Malawi Province** and for the continued growth of your church there in the midst of conflict and numerous challenges.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **South Africa Province** ministering in post-apartheid South Africa amid strong economic and health challenges, including the HIV/AIDS crisis. Prosper the work of the Masangane Moravian AIDS Program and other efforts to address the tremendous needs now present. We also pray for the Moravian Theological Center as it prepares leadership for the Province.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Eastern West Indies Province** where Moravian mission efforts first began and where ministry now spreads over 8 islands and 4 nations. May the presence of a strong heritage of faith continue to issue in fruitful service as the challenges of ministry among differing nations and currencies are addressed and as new mission endeavors are undertaken, such as now on the islands of Grenada, St. Maarten, and Tortola.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Jamaica and Cayman Islands Province** and for their new **Mission Area of Haiti**. Guide and strengthen their outreach efforts and ministry in the midst of social and economic challenges.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Guyana Mission Province** as small in numbers it seeks to bear witness to the Gospel in a multicultural society. Bless the efforts of the Women's and Youth organizations in the important roles they play in the life of the province, and the outreach efforts through the United Mission in the mining district of that country.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Suriname Province** and its many areas of ministry. Bless those served through the province's 72 schools and extensive social ministry, including boarding schools for students, homes for seniors, and medical work. Bless also their **Mission Area of French Guiana**.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Honduras Province** and for the **Honduras Mission Province**. We give thanks for hopeful signs and steps in the consecration of two bishops and continued efforts toward reconciliation. We pray for discernment in dealing with a new break-away group that continues to resist the movement of your Holy Spirit throughout this important process. We pray for guidance and direction in the continued ministry of the Ahuas Medical Clinic in an area where violence and conflict prevail. We ask your blessing on the **Mission Area of Belize** as well as among the **Garifuna** people of Honduras.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Nicaragua Province**, for their congregations, their social and development work, their educational institutions (primary and secondary schools, high schools, University and Theological Seminary) and for their outreach efforts in the interior of the country, especially in the Matagalpa region.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Costa Rica Province**, for the School of Music and Worship, for its congregations serving people of various languages and cultures. We pray for brother Bob Peterson, who is offering his pastoral and musical gifts by serving for 3 weeks at the Fuente de Vida and Faith Moravian congregations in Limon. We pray for healing in the conflict within the Pavas congregation in San Jose.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Labrador Mission Province** as it meets the radical changes taking place in the society of its region. Call to leadership those who you would have serve and may your call be answered so that needs for ordained and lay leadership would be met. Bless the faithful folks who gather in Happy Valley, Hopedale, Makkovik and Nain. We give thanks for the faithful service of sister Glenna Tasedan and her husband, George.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the **Alaska Province**, for healing in situations of division, and for courage to face the economic and social challenges of everyday life. We are thankful for the consecration of brother Peter Green as a Bishop of the Unity. We give thanks for the work of Ed and Barb Dehnert at the Bible School and Seminary in Bethel.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.