# Prayers to print – August 2018

*Any of the following prayers can be copied and pasted into your bulletins, newsletters, e-mails, etc. to encourage members to pray for their synod’s ministry work.*

**August 5**
*Vicars in Missions* – Lord of the church, thank you for providing new mission opportunities in America and throughout the world. Please bless the young men studying to be future pastors as they receive experience serving in our home missions. May their training equip them for leading their congregations in compassionate, enthusiastic evangelism. We pray, Lord, that you would abundantly bless our efforts to share your Word. Amen.

**August 12***Home Missions* – Dear Jesus, we praise you for your selfless sacrifice on the cross, which has made us your very own people. It’s gratitude for your love that has led to the many prayers and generous gifts offered by the people of our churches. Thank you for enabling us to support 14 new ministries across our country. Under your hand of blessing, allow many new souls to benefit from the only message under heaven that can save them, which will be shared through each of these ministries. Lord Jesus, we pray this in your name. Amen.

**August 19***Lutheran Schools* – Savior God, in love you have shared a simple, powerful truth with each of us—that you love us and have already forgiven us! Thank you for bringing us to a knowledge of this saving truth through your Son, Jesus. As students return to their classrooms this fall, we humbly ask you to accompany them with your truth. Let their learning lead to many benefits for their lives and a better appreciation of you, their God. Let their thirst for knowledge remain in its proper place—never replacing you. Preserve their faith. Guide their daily decisions. Allow them to “grow in the grace and knowledge” their Savior. In his name we ask this, Amen.

**August 26***Vietnam* – Holy Spirit, your quiet, yet powerful work is so humbling. Thank you for bringing so many to faith in the country of Vietnam. As opportunities to guide, teach, and lead continue to be presented to our synod, we pray that you work a patient and unifying spirit in these believers. Bless the efforts of the Hmong ministry there as they work to buy land and build a training center in Hanoi. Give courage to Pastor Lor and the Pastoral Studies Institute team as they train future leaders for this church body, that many more souls will come to rest in the peace that only Jesus gives. In his name we boldly pray, Amen.