# Prayers to print – October 2023

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

**October 1**

*Home mission in Kronenwetter, Wis.* – Lord God, we pray for our new home mission in Kronenwetter, Wis., near Northland Lutheran High School. Continue to energize the core group of members from area churches including some Northland students. Thank you for the opportunity for these younger members to help take the lead in this mission work. Enable everyone to grow in their Christian faith and their witness through this experience. We pray that you would guide this new church as they seek to call a pastor and start public worship at the high school. Amen.

**October 8**

*Congregational Counseling* – Dear Lord God, bless the congregations that are assisted by the WELS Commission on Congregational Counseling. Guide the commission as they evaluate ministry in WELS. Be with them as they help congregations review biblical teachings and principles that impact ministry and move them to develop plans that adjust and expand the ministry of Christ according to your will. We thank you, Lord, for giving our synod these dedicated and talented people, and ask you to give them courage and patience as they carry out their work. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**October 15**

*Home mission in Bentonville, Ark.* – We praise and thank you, Lord, for moving the WELS Board for Home Missions to approve a new mission start in Bentonville, Ark. Bless the efforts of the 12-person core group as they reach out with Christ’s love to their community. When the time is right, please send a pastor to serve this rapidly growing area. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**October 22**

*Native American outreach* – Dear Lord of all creation, bless the Apache mission’s goal to reach out to the more than 572 tribes in the U.S. and Canada with the gospel of peace in Christ. Move many to be trained in the Apache Christian Training School, so that they will be better equipped to share your message of salvation. Continue to bless the Apache mission’s eight congregations, one preaching station, and two elementary schools with a love for souls redeemed by Jesus. Amen.

**October 29**

*Prison Ministry* – Dear God of love and grace, please bless WELS Prison Ministry as they seek pen pals to share the good news of Jesus with inmates. Also, bless their efforts to reach souls through gospel booklets. Guide the training of individuals who, in Christ’s name, will visit prisoners and mentor those who are being released. We ask, Lord, that you raise up volunteers to fill these important roles. Amen.