

PRAYER GUIDE

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COLLEGE BOUND IHS S.P.A.S.E. STUDENTS





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Ten years ago, a group of wide-eyed seven-year-olds began their journey in our after-school S.P.A.S.E. program. Throughout the years, we have seen them grow in their academics and awareness of Christ's love for them. They are in the final stages of completing all of the necessary requirements to graduate in May.

Now, as they are considering their future plans, Carolyn Bacon has been helping them follow God's plan for their life, whether that means assistance with scholarships, applications, or career goals. We ask you for your prayers as these young people are preparing for a new phase of their lives.

PRAY FOR IHS SPASE STUDENTS

- * That students will know and do God's will.
- * That each will come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- * That God will sustain students and parents through the virtual learning program.
- * That God will guide 12th graders about their next step in life.

PRAY FOR US.

I Thessalonians 5:25

IHS GENERAL PRAYER REQUESTS

- * That Christians will recognize Satan as the enemy and not fellow believers. (Eph. 6:10-12)
- * That Christians will use their spiritual weapons to defeat Satan (God's word and prayer). (II Cor. 10:4,5; Eph. 6:17; John 17:17)
- * For the successful development of the IHS Campsite and Training Center.
- * For young adult S.P.A.S.E. students pursuing their master degree (Montravious Reed, Maya Nicholson and Breanna Horn). For other post high school students (Shelby Taylor, Shaylan Taylor, Brian Griffin, Connell Moore, Malik Davis, Adrian Wales, Adrianna Wales, Damien Lewis, and Mario and Patti Smith).
- * For continued safety and good health for IHS staff (Jasper, Carolyn, Annie, Christin, Falana, Dorothy, Charles, Sophie, and Luther).
- * For continued clarity of God's will for IHS.
- * For greater impact of IHS ministries.

THANKSGIVING

- * For the completion of the \$100,000 Matching Gift Campaign.
- * For God's wonderful provisions for IHS.
- * For the open door for Zoom bible studies in the detention centers and with athletes.
- * For the growing friendships and ministry opportunities in the Hispanic community.
- * For sustaining In His Steps for over 26 years.
- * For the recent hire of communication and social media intern, Sophie Abuzeid.
- For IHS successful Compassion Ministry at Christmas. A total of 72 children and 28 families we served.

Friends of IHS.

Your prayers are one reason for In His Steps continued growth and ministry impact over the last 26 years. Yet, there is more to be accomplished. One main focus this year is the start of a Christian Camp and Training Center. This task may seem unsurmountable, but God has always called us to do the seemingly impossible. Very similar to the Apostle Peter, God is prompting us to launch out into the deep waters. (Luke 5:4)

The main lesson learned since the start of IHS is that "Where God guides, He always provides." I ask for your prayer support for IHS and especially this new venture. Above all else, we want God's will to be done. (Ps. 40:8; Matt. 6:33) Please take time to read this prayer guide and pray for these requests.

You may not be able to join us in Canton, MS, but you can partner with us in prayer.

"Now I beg you, brethren, through the Lord Jesus Christ, and through the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in prayers to God for me." (Rom. 15:30)

PRAY FOR IHS SPECIAL NEEDS

- * That many will come to faith in Christ, including our friend Savannah.
- * For revival for Christ church.
- * For special needs of McDaniel, Lewis, Smith, Clark, Hudson, Tanner, Yonan, Starling, William, Allen, Chamber, and Bacon Family.
- * That Christ church will discern God's will and courageously follow Christ.
- * That Christ will save and deliver our youth as they are being overtaken by senseless murders, gang activity, and drugs.

PRAY FOR IHS SPORTS MINISTRY

- For wisdom, guidance, success for sports ministry director, Christin Howard.
- * For spiritual revival among local athletes.
- * For additional volunteers to serve with ministry and field maintenance.
- * That more local athletes and community youth will receive Christ and dedicate their lives to Him.
- * That God will bring godly adults into the lives of our athletes.
- * That God will use sports ministry to attract and impact many lives.

PRAY FOR CANTON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES AND COACHES

- * Pray for Coach Word and girls basketball team: Kaniyah, MyGaricka, Paris, Arianna, Emilyah, Ty'Reka, Ashante, Jameria, Caitlin, LaDiamond, Shamira, Alexanjria, Equanyae, Anya, Nichayla, Jakiah, and KeiArriya.
- * Pray for Head Coach Evans, Asst. Coach Jackson and Townsend, Managers Warfield and Reed and boys basketball team: Jae'Kwon, Jalen, Corey, Ryan, LaZamion, Mareco, Shemar, Jadon, Malachi, Cameron, James, Jamarion, Thomassavian, TyQuavian, and Marcus.
- Pray for Head Coach Bolton, Asst. Coach Bryant, Fell, and Henderson and football team: Juawon, JoDarious, Curtis, Jakobe, LeChristopher, Tyquan, Jaiden, Ryanm Damon, Garrick, Gabrel, Jaymon, Brandon, Tomicrin, Isaiaha, Thomasavian, Lajaveon, Tamarcus, Elijah, Nichols, Selwyn, Tyerrious, Jaylan, Jacorian, Rashad, Kendrick, Toymonzae, Quadarius, Jatarri, Jalen, Demetrious, Tyricco, Marcus, Carmello, Montrayvious, Quinzavious, Jamarion, Ethan, Te'Montre, Trevarius, Christin, Demorrison, Gabriel, Jordan, Ephraim, Zai'Carrius, Zarcarrius, Jermelvin, Jordan, and Garrick.

"Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land."

II Chronicles 7:14



Sophielena (Sophie) Abuzeid is our new media and communications intern here at In His Steps Ministries. She is from San Antonio, TX, and graduated from Mississippi College with a degree in graphic design and a minor in English writing. She has a deep love for Jesus and a passion for creative media to serve others. Sophielena says that she's excited to be working with In His Steps Ministries.

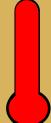
ADDITIONAL IHS PRAYER REQUESTS

- * That many in our nation will come to faith in Christ and surrender to His will. (Ps. 33:1)
- * That Christians will seek God in humility. (II Chron. 7:14)
- * That Christians will pursue righteous instead of sin. (Prov. 14:34)
- * That Christians will exemplify love toward one another and their neighbors. (John 13:34-35; Matt. 22:37-39)
- * That God will give our president and his cabinet wisdom beyond their understanding. (I Tim. 2:1-5)
- * That pastors and other spiritual leaders would hear and know God's voice and courageously obey Him. (Ps. 40:8)
- * That God will protect us and especially high-risk individuals from the virus.
- * That the Church will be an instrument of healing and reconciliation in our divided country.

PRAISE GOD! IHS CAMPSITE UPDATE

We are so grateful to the Lord for his continued provision and faithfulness. Back in 2019, we purchased 19.5 acres of land with an antebellum home to be used as our campsite and Agape Training Center. Rev. Bacon has had a longterm vision for a camp that would serve the Canton community as an extension of the ministry. We give thanks to God because in 2019, a \$100,000 matching gift was given. At the end of the year in 2020, the gift was fully matched. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. We continue to trust God for all the resources we need to complete this phase of our ministry.

MATCHING GIFT CAMPAIGN



—\$100,000 Matching Gift Completed Dec. 2020

—\$100,000 Matching Gift Campaign Started Dec. 2019

PRAYER REQUEST FOR IHS PHASE III—CAMPSITE DEVELOPMENT

- * Thank God for \$100,000 donation in December 2020.
- * Pray for God's protection over the new campsite.
- * Pray for God's direction on the development process.
- * Pray for the right individuals to serve on the development committee.
- Pray for God's provision of people and finances to assist with the completion of this project.

"Then Asa cried out to the Lord his God, "O Lord, no one but you can help the powerless against the mighty! Help us, O Lord our God, for we trust in you alone. It is in your name that we have come against this vast horde. O Lord, you are our God; do not let mere men prevail against you!"

II Chronicles 14:11