### October 2018 Immanuel University Prayer and Praise Guide

**Praises:**

We praise God for a generous matching gift of $68,500 which is half of the $137,000 IU needs this academic year for scholarships. We thank God for the matching gift donors and for those who to date have stepped up to meet the challenge and have donated or promised a total of $2,000 so far. Current need is $11,500 yet needed to meet the total match! If donors give or commit an additional 11,500 before the end of this calendar year, we will have the entire academic year’s scholarship need of $137,000 funded! This is such a huge blessing. Please pray the additional $11,500 comes in soon so that IU can utilize the total matching gift!

Donations can be sent to the Free Methodist Foundation IU scholarship fund via DKurtz@fmfoundation.org or through the Friends of IU website, www.friendsofimmanueluniversity.org

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<td>First year MBA students are taking internal exams this week. Pray that they will study well and that the tests will reflect their learning outcomes to date.</td>
<td>2 Pray for rain in the Solipet, India area where the IU campus is situated. We have built a pond to collect rain water, which will be filtered for non-potable use on campus. The area is very dry. Pray for rain!</td>
<td>3 Pray for the faculty and students in the ViLID (Visually Impaired Leaders in Disability) program. Pray that they will thoughtfully process and think through the exercises and readings to make effective meaning of the training provided.</td>
<td>4 Pray for former Friends of IU board member, Jim Coe, who is under Hospice care with serious illness. Pray for Jim’s wife Linda and ask the Lord to give them strength, comfort, and meet their daily needs.</td>
<td>5 Pray that the theology building is completed by the end of this year. At this time we still need $27,950 in capital funds for this building where the future pastors of India will be trained and will go out all</td>
<td>6 Pray for Bishop Joab Lohara** and his family. Pray for health, protection, and God’s guidance in ministry.</td>
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<td>7 Pray for the Goodnight** and Patterson** families</td>
<td>8 Pray for the Provost, and faculty member, Dr. R Jabez, who began leading Immanuel University January 1, 2018. Pray for Dr. Jabez wisdom, leadership, and collaboration with the faculty and staff.</td>
<td>9 Pray for three faculty members who recently submitted their PhD theses. If all goes well we expect they will be awarded the PhD degree within a few months. IU will then have six (6) full time faculty with PhD degrees. Pray for these as they complete the arduous process.</td>
<td>10 Pray for Dr. Sandra Kirthy, the principal at IBS. Pray for her health, protection, wisdom and leadership as she leads IBS, its students and its faculty.</td>
<td>11 Pray for the IU administrative staff as they serve the campus in strategic ways. Surya Rao Pradipta Digal Moses George</td>
<td>12 Pray for scholarship funds for 2018—2019. Scholarships donations can be in small $50/month bits or can be received as large donations. Our greatest monetary need is for scholarships.</td>
<td>13 Pray for the McCown** and Brannon** families</td>
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<td>14 Pray for the Miller** and Nicholson** Families</td>
<td>15 Pray for IBS Professors Hareesh Kumar, Rufus Christopher Kumar, Kiran Kumar, Varanath Kumar, Sheeba Rani, Jonathan Lima, B. Ramesh (who is now in Marketing as of April), Acsah Gereshom, and Nirmala Prasad (librarian)</td>
<td>16 Pray for the curricular endeavors of IU. Theology students are adding a rich dimension to IU in this area, encouraging and praying together, worshiping together. Pray that all students at IU will be encouraged in their spiritual journey.</td>
<td>17 Pray for graduates of IU as they work to repay the loans they took toward tuition. Many are faithfully repaying their loans and have good jobs. Pray that God will continue to bless all of them and meet their needs so that they can repay their loans faithfully and be a blessing to their families.</td>
<td>18 Pray for an intellectual forum convened at IU on October 19, 20 called the “Thinking Mind Seminar.” Some of the IU students will present papers on current issues. Pray for the presenters, organizers and listeners… and for the publicity of IU created as a result of the seminar.</td>
<td>19 Pray for funding for scholarships at IU for serving students. A masters degree in business can be earned in two years. Current year scholarships funds are needed for deserving but poor MBA students.</td>
<td>20 Pray for the Mannoa** and McFarlane** families</td>
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**IU—Immanuel University**  **IBS—Immanuel Business School, offering the Master’s of Business degree at IU**
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<td>21 Pray for the Keene** and Kurtz** families</td>
<td>22 Pray for Principal Dr. Bibhudatta Barik, the new principal leading the Masters of Leadership program at IU. Pray as Dr. Barik teaches and leads the faculty and students and acts as the campus director (similar to a Vice President for Student Development).</td>
<td>23 Pray for the IU India Board*: Bishop Joab Lohara, David Goodnight, Dan Kurtz, Dr. Robin Chandra Sahu, and Dr. Vijay Bishanam—who has a heart condition. Please pray for his health.</td>
<td>24 Pray for the IU India Board members: Mr. Shantilal Jee Jachuck, Mr. Charles Ebenezer, and Dr. Vasanth Kumar</td>
<td>25 Pray for the 20 new students entering the Masters of Leadership program who join the 30 students already engaged in this program. This year we have 50 students total in the Masters of Leadership program, bridging the secular with the sacred.</td>
<td>26 Pray for an additional $5,000 needed for this year’s interns’ USA trip costs. Learning about American culture firsthand and practicing English with native speakers enhances the job prospects of our MBA graduates. Please pray with us for funding.</td>
<td>27 Pray for the Finley** and Whitehead** families</td>
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**Praises:**

We thank God for a great cohort of students in the MBA, Masters of Leadership and Masters of Theology programs this year.

We thank God for our academic leaders, Provost Jabez, Principal Dr. Sandra Kirthy (MBA program), and Principal Dr. Bibhudatta Barik (leadership program).

We thank God for the faculty and staff at IU who give sacrificially of their time and talent to make the educational dreams of the least of these possible training leaders for the future.

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**Empowering the Dalit and marginalized castes and minorities of India through Christian education.**

* Immanuel University India Board Members

** Friends of Immanuel University Board Members—USA

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IU—Immanuel University, Hyderabad, India

IBS—Immanuel Business School, a school within IU, offering Masters’ of Business to the underprivileged, breaking the bonds of caste and bringing change to India’s culture.

*To receive monthly updates, join the prayer team by emailing Diane Kurtz at Diane.Kurtz@arbor.edu

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