

1st Give thanks for the new and returning students who are back on campus and have completed Orientation & Registration and Summer School. Pray for those who have not returned due to visa challenges, that these would be swiftly overcome so that no study time is lost.

2nd The GWC Launch, led by the SRC, takes place 2-3 February, and lectures begin 4 February. Pray for the launch to be a good time of bonding and fellowship, and pray for a smooth start to the academic year.

3rd Higher Certificate in Theology (HCert) exiting student Sarah Done is working as an au pair in 2026, while volunteering in Kids Ministry at Gracefields Church, Fish Hoek. We pray for the Lord to continue to guide her.

4th HCert exiting student Vanessa Flandorp Tlachi is waiting on the Lord for her future plans and is hoping to sit in on lectures and assist with tutoring at GWC.

5th Bachelor of Theology (BTh) exiting student Bonginkosi Nkosi and BTh Honours exiting student Henry Long are waiting on the Lord to guide their next steps.

6th BTh Hons exiting student Jade Smit is looking forward to assisting with the marking of Explore exams, and would appreciate prayer for concentration and diligence in her tasks.

7th BTh Hons exiting student Christopher Ramsbottom and BTh exiting student Zoe Siebritz will continue to serve at St Stephens Bible Church as Assistant Pastor and Curate in Children's Ministry respectively.

8th The Explore team gives thanks for everyone in both their Head Office and regional teams, and asks for prayer that the Lord will continue to keep them safe, grant them wisdom, and provide for every need they have in the year to come.

9th The Registry Team have had an extremely busy period ensuring that all is in order for students to begin their studies. Pray for strength and energy for them as they finalise numerous tasks, in particular around module administration.

10th A new Monday chapel and prayer meeting will take place for students, staff and faculty this year. Pray that this time will be a great encouragement to all members of the College.

11th Pray for the College's lecturing staff as the first term gets underway, that they would guard their lives and teaching (1 Timothy 4:16) so that their students would grow in their knowledge of God.

12th Praise God for the Explore students who completed the programme in 2025, including the 16 students from Mount Zion, Sierra Leone, who have just finished their final module. Pray that the Lord will use them powerfully in their churches and communities.

13th The College is recruiting a new Campus Manager. Pray for the Lord's guidance in this process, and for the right candidate to be selected to fulfil the role.

14th Many new students have come from different countries across Africa, with Cape Town being an unfamiliar context. Pray for settling-in mercies, and for them to feel at home at College. Pray for good friendships to be established among the student body.

15th GWC past student Benito Namagowa has completed his Master's through GWC and continues his work with Living Word Ministries in Zimbabwe, along with running his farming project. He gives thanks for the opportunity to train rural pastors and for the necessary approvals and licenses received. He asks for

prayer for provision for his project and as he carries out his various ministries.

16th The new Postgraduate Diploma in Higher Theological Education (PGDipHTE) begins this year. Pray for those involved in managing administration around the programme, as well as the lecturers and the new cohort of students. Pray that the PGDipHTE would be of great benefit to those enrolled in it.

17th GWC past student James Cuénod, Senior AI Translation Technologist at Seed Company, requests prayer as he develops and supports AI tools for Bible Translation. Praise God for this opportunity to combine his passion for biblical studies and software development; pray he would faithfully steward his role.

18th The Explore course is currently being loaded online for delivery. Please pray that the trial phase will go well, serve the continent of Africa effectively, and help reduce marking and distribution costs.

19th Pray for the SRC, that they would lead faithfully and be able to balance their responsibilities alongside their academics.

20th The Principal's Succession Process continues this year. Pray for the Lord's wisdom and guidance to be given throughout.

21st GWC Faculty member Gerard Jampies is lecturing a new Higher Certificate course this year, entitled 'Introduction to Christian Thought'. Pray that God would use this course to enrich and stimulate students in both their critical thinking and personal walk with the Lord.

22nd Pray for the fellowship groups (both for men and women) that will be established this year, that they will be a great source of encouragement and friendship. Pray that those leading the groups would have wisdom and insight and be able to balance this responsibility alongside other commitments.

23rd GWC past student Conrad Rheeder, gives thanks for his ordination as Presbyterian at Emmanuel Church Bellville in November. Please pray for Conrad as he continues being the Assistant Pastor for the church and helps fulfil their vision of "Loving God, Loving One Another, Loving the World".

24th The GWC maintenance team work tirelessly to keep the campus functioning smoothly. Pray for energy for them for daily tasks and give thanks for the building work completed during the holidays.

25th Give thanks for the wide network of donors who faithfully support the training and equipping future church leaders at GWC. Pray for the Lord to continue to sustain this giving through their generosity, and for relationships to be formed with additional gospel-minded partners who can contribute to this work.

26th Advancement Executive Alison Lee travelled to the US during January and met with a number of churches and partners. Pray for productive outcomes from the meetings and for her physical and mental recovery after a busy start to the year.

27th Pray for the spouses and families of students who are not here at College, that God would protect and provide for them during this time and that their communities would serve them and care for them.

28th Give thanks for God's goodness to us at College, and pray that we may all serve faithfully unto the Lord in the month ahead.