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Uniting in Prayer: Community Gathering at EPG Schools Aug. 18

The El Paso Ministerial Association invites the community to gather outside local schools for a brief, unified time of prayer at 7 p.m. on August 18, the evening before classes begin in the EPG district. The short, informal gatherings welcome all students, staff, and families to pray for the upcoming academic year. Participants are encouraged to meet briefly at any of the following campus locations: Jefferson Park Elementary School, Centennial School, El Paso-Gridley High School, El Paso-Gridley Middle School. There are no signups or formal programs required for these events. Anyone from the community is welcome to show up and join local pastors, educators, and families in an evening of prayer for a safe and successful school year.

Backpack blessings will be August 15 & 16 and 22 & 23. Place your bags under The Sacred Heart of Jesus before Mass. The first day of CCD will be 9/27. Please turn in registration forms.

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CCD registration is now open!!!

Please check your email for additional details and the form. There will also be forms in the back of the church. Forms are due August 30th. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Harms at (309) 231-1018.

We are looking forward to another great year.



Back-to-School Blessings



Remember to stick close to Jesus this year through prayer and reading your Bible.



Color your school year bright by letting the light of Jesus shine through you.



Write HIStory in your life this school year by doing what Jesus would do and making wise choices.



Use this notebook as a Gratitude Journal. For each day of school, write down things you are grateful for.



Use the bookmark to mark your favorite Bible story or favorite verse.



Use this Back-to-School Prayer Journal to write out your prayers to God.



Enjoy this sweet treat and remember that Jesus makes your life sweet!