Praise & Prayer Requests

Week of July 26, 2020

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lords' people. Ephesians 6:18

Loving God with Authentic & Vibrant Worship: (Suggested Monday focus)

- Praise God to whom all Nations and people will one day account (Jonah 3).
- Let's actively humble ourselves before him, fasting and falling before Him, removing the clothing of comfort and wearing simple garments of humility (Jonah 3).
- Praise Him for past times when He has turned His people and whole societies around. Ask Him to do it again!
- Thank God for delivery of flooring for the Children's Wing. Pray for its installation and the "pitter patter" of little feet this Fall.

<u>Loving Others by Growing more Christ-like through loving community and discipleship</u>: (Suggested Tuesday focus)

- Pray for The Story as it launches this Fall, taking us from Genesis to Revelation through May.
- Pray for students who continue to meet for the SURGE youth group, most recently at Emig Park
 in Hellam. Ask God to guide leaders as they interact with them about applying their faith to world
 events.
- Ask God to guide our Board meeting tonight, especially as we consider staff needs, including a
 new position of Facilities Manager and more Custodial hours. Pray also for our offer to help with
 increased school district building needs due to COVID this Fall.
- Pray for a new Administrative Assistant and for Crystal Bolton's interim service.
- Pray for Community Groups: Prayer Meeting (Church Tuesday afternoon); Hallam Borough Tuesday PM (tentative) (McCleary); Hellam Township alt. Wednesday PM (Laughman/Myer/Nanfelt); Elizabethtown Thursday PM (Whitehead)
- Pray for those with birthdays this week: Juan 'Paco' Mejia (8/2)

<u>Physical Needs</u>: (Suggested Wednesday focus)

- Pray for the family of Lisa Heller, caring for her brother, Victor, in hospice care. Ask the Spirit to guide spiritual conversations.
- Pray for Weston Whitehead, grandson of Jeff & Raynea, who is having surgery on Thursday to remove the tumor and right lobe of his liver. Pray for complete healing and for parents, Jimmy & Tierney, during this time.
- Pray for healing of Karen Shores who is battling a cold and urinary infection.
- Healthcare Workers April Antico, Susan Enrico, Pam Himes, Alicia Kauffman, Autumn Kinard,
 Olga Krotzer and Emily Smith
- Sick & Recovering Thomas Donan; Lee Gromling; Kay Gromling; Ron Gromling; Shirley Hanna; Betty Newcomer; Kailee Mae O'Handly; Karen Shores; Raynea Whitehead
- Hospice Richard Hanna
- Shut-Ins Dorothy Markey
- Military Service Jake Heybey (Army); Kelston Hildebrand (Army National Guard)
- College Biff Alexander; Kiersten Barr

Missions: (Suggested Thursday focus)

- Pray for Wrightsville Presbyterian Church.
- Pray for <u>Alliance Missions</u> in CAMA (relief), Marketplace (professionals), Axcess (churchplanting and global networks – new for International Workers or missionaries) and Envision. Pray for each of these ministries and those whom you know who serve with them.
- Pray for our partnerships with <u>Alliance Marketplace</u> workers:
 - o Michael and Elsie McCombs with Remember Nhu in Thailand
 - o Rick and Tammie Romano with Mission TwentyFive 35

Pray for Alliance prayer requests worldwide: (suggested Friday focus)

- (Indonesia) Pray for healing for Bible translator, Rev. Timothy Birdshooter, who had a mild stroke causing diminished memory and communication ability. Until recently, Timothy had been working with the translation team, checking the few remaining books of the Old Testament needing final review before submitting the entire Bible text to the Indonesia Bible Society for printing. Pray for a speedy recovery so he can continue this important work.
- Pray for visa situations across the country. The immigration office has reopened visa renewals but is giving only 30 days for that process. Many worker visas are in the early stages. Please pray for speedy processing of visas and work permits.
- (Japan) An Alliance worker couple writes, "Pray that the Holy Spirit will draw our seeking friends, who attend our Family Room Discovery Bible Study, to take their next steps of confessing faith in Christ, choosing baptism and growing in Him. Pray that our friends will be responsive to the Lord." Ask God to awaken seeking hearts among unsaved friends and neighbors and give them deep spiritual hunger and thirst.
- Recently, two people in Ishinomaki tested positive for coronavirus. They had traveled to Tokyo and brought the infection back with them. "Pray for God to protect the people of our city and that the spread of the virus will be contained," Alliance workers write.

Church Family: (Suggested Saturday focus)

- Pray for fellow worshippers.
- Ask God to prepare your heart for Sunday.
- Pray through Sunday's message text: <u>Jonah 4</u>.
- Pray for a class or group you attend.
- Pray for everyone involved in Sunday ministries.
- Ask God to direct you and others to Summer growth opportunities.