



Praises and Prayer Concerns

January 8, 2025

*"Building community with Christ
to impact a world without Christ."*

Praises and Answers to Prayer: For an inspiring Communion service that blessed many!

Prayer Focus for the Week: For the impact of Upwards basketball upon many unchurched.

General Ministry Needs:

- * For our everyday staff (Pastor Doug, Pastor Dave, Pastor Matt, Jason, Tyler, Julie, Larry, and Trish) to be able to connect well with those in their respective spheres of ministry.
- * For the marriages, families, and health of our Pastoral Staff and Elder & Deacon boards.
- * For the Lord's sustaining and prospering of the local ministries with which we partner: Align Life, CrossNet, ELANCO Released Time, Love INC, Revelations of Freedom Ministries and Upward.

Strategic Initiatives:

1. Building up:

- For ministry of the Word through the Sunday series "Of Shepherds and Sheep," the Wednesday evening adult prayer and share, ABF's, community groups, and men's, ladies, & children's ministries.
- For God's word to be joyfully received and obeyed by all who hear it.

2. Reaching Out:

- Upwards basketball throughout the months of January and February.

Items of Specific Concern:

- * Sally Martin is having surgery at UPMC tomorrow, January 9.
- * Jerry Sauder's brother, Kenny, died this morning. Please pray for Jerry and his extended family over this personal loss.
- * Recovering from surgery/injury: Lee Dawson and Don Lord.
- * Dealing with cancer: Don Finney, Ruthann Hornberger, and Charlene Shreiner.
- * Dealing with chronic health challenges: Al Allison, Gary Amey, Charlotte Dussinger, Joyce Enck, Carol Felpel, Jane Jackson, Melody Kohler, Alta Robin, Judy Shupp, Dave Smoker, Phil Welsher, Elton Watson, Tim Weiss, Sandy Van Etten, and John Yoder.
- * Unable to attend: Ray Balmer, Bill Brackin, Jim & Grace Discavage, Ruth Esch, Donna Gibson, Clair Good, Ginny Hertzler, Isabella Kelly, Ed & Dot Lodge, Carl E. Martin, Vi Martin, Ed Rule, Judy Shupp, and Erv Weaver.
- * Expectant Moms: Andrea Martin.
- * Families for the Week: Craig & Rachel Lapp (*Carissa, Weston*), Todd & Esther Lapp (*Tyke, Brody*), Stephen & Catherine Lathbury, Bart & Linda Laukhuff and Gerald & Sharon Leaman.

Needs and Concerns of Friends & Family (Please update the office within 30 days of request):

- * Glenn Dussinger's brother is continuing to recover from a serious accident last month.
- * Ladd & Sharon Martin's grandson: for a living donor match to be identified quickly.
- * Pastor Doug's sister: for progress and encouragement in regaining her ability to walk.
- * Becky Cone's mom: for continued encouraging results from chemo treatment for cancer.

Missions Committee: Don Aldrich (Chair), Marcus Hartline, John Hoffman, Connie Kepiro, Paul Hartline (elder), Sharon Martin, Liz Myers, Deb Musser, Sonja Zeek, and Kenton Zimmerman.

Our Missionaries:

- * ANGOWAN, Dante & Elsa —Philippines
- * BAER, Carlton & Karen—ABWE/N. America
- * BIRKENBINE, John & Melanie—Navigators Millersville University
- * BOGATI, Sabin & Rajeena—CCI/Central Asia
- * BRAUN, Bill & Denise—ABWE/Moldova
- * COCHRAN, Mike & Rhonda—Wycliffe/Dallas
- * COLDWELL, David & Barbara— BEE
- * DIGGINS, B.J. & Kris—Wycliffe-JAARS/NC
- * DOUGLAS, Trevor & Norma—World Team Philippines
- * FUNADA, Naoto—Faith Global/Japan
- * HANNAY, Evan & Libby—Ethnos 360/Arizona
- * KEEL, Mallorie—ABWE/Togo
- * KUMHER, Bruce & Tammie —BMW/NW PA
- * MAIER, Andreas & Bethany — CrossWorld Germany & Central Asia
- * MARTIN, Vicky—Ethnos 360/Philippines
- * MELLETTE, Jerad & Wanda—WOL/Montreal
- * MOLSEE, Ethan & Melissa—ABWE, Togo, West Africa
- * NIZAR NOURI, Haytham & Mary—IPM/Lebanon
- * NGUBANE, Abby & Mthoko —BMW, South Africa
- * ORTMAN, Terry & Doris—Susek Evang. Assoc./PA
- * OVERLY, Josiah & Vivian—SYME, Taiwan
- * REYNARD, Don & Rhonda—Reach Global/Europe
- * ROHRBAUGH, Jon & Kate—Greenview Bible Camp
- * ROHRBAUGH, Steve & Donna—Greenview BC
- * SANTAFE, Juan & Melissa—Avant/Colombia
- * SMITH, Bill & Lori—ABWE/Papua New Guinea
- * SMITH, Bryan & Lori—Avant/Mexico
- * TINSLEY, David & Karen—BMW/New York City
- * TOLBERT, John & Beverly—ABWE-Gap/SE Asia
- * WALTER, Clay & Becky—MAF/Nampa, ID
- * ZEEK, Mike & Sonja—FIM/SE Asia

* Micah Durling’s ministry in Nepal December 27th—January 10th.

* Sara Hoffman’s ministry in Costa Rica January 11th—April 12th.

* Pastor Doug’s ministry in Nepal January 29th—February 9th.

Our Community, Nation & Our World:

- * For an end to the wars in Israel and Ukraine; for Christian ministry to many refugees and the release of the remaining Israeli hostages!
- * For protection and encouragement for persecuted believers in the Middle East, Africa, and Asia.
- * For the President, Vice-president, and all national, state, and local government leaders.

Those in Military Service:

★Captain Mitchell Bawell (son of John & Kathy) ★Staff Sargent Brett Bollinger (nephew of Nate & Kristen Davis) ★Philip Coldwell (son of David & Barbara) ★CMDR. Danny Davis & ★CMDR. Kirsten Davis (son-in-law and daughter of Wolfram & Arlene Andrews) ★Staff Sgt. John Finkey (brother of Joe) ★Private Second Class Nathan Johnson (grandson of Jeff & Doris Devine)★Lt. Col. Greg Lathbury (son of Steve and Cathy Lathbury)★Major Jacob Layer (son-in-law of Sue Fitzpatrick) ★Terrell Moore (son-in-law of Dave & Cheryl Horst) ★Technical Sgt. Troy Heller (son of Jim & Carol) ★Staff Sargent Dan Pereyaslov (brother of Lena Rohrbaugh) ★Specialist Ben Primrose (grandson of Bill & Ruth Ann Martin) ★Senior Airman Robert Shore (grandson of Gregg & Joanne Bensinger)★Chris Tinsley (son of David & Karen)★Captain Mike Tucker (son-in-law of Steve & Cathy Lathbury).