

March 24, 2020

A weekly guide of prayer concerns in the Faith Church family and ministry.

Psalm 57

For the director of music. To the tune of "Do Not Destroy." Of David. A miktam. When he had fled from Saul into the cave.

Have mercy on me, my God, have mercy on me,
for in you I take refuge.
I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings
until the disaster has passed.

I cry out to God Most High,
to God, who vindicates me.

He sends from heaven and saves me,
rebuking those who hotly pursue me—[c]
God sends forth his love and his faithfulness.

I am in the midst of lions;
I am forced to dwell among ravenous beasts—
men whose teeth are spears and arrows,
whose tongues are sharp swords.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;
let your glory be over all the earth.

They spread a net for my feet—
I was bowed down in distress.
They dug a pit in my path—
but they have fallen into it themselves.

My heart, O God, is steadfast,
my heart is steadfast;
I will sing and make music.

Awake, my soul!
Awake, harp and lyre!
I will awaken the dawn.

I will praise you, Lord, among the nations;
I will sing of you among the peoples.

For great is your love, reaching to the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;
let your glory be over all the earth.

Sunday, March 29

Pastors Jeff and Joey are stepping aside from the Lamentations series for a few weeks as we face the COVID-19 pandemic. This Sunday, as we worship at home with family and Community groups, we continue in our series "Interrupted".

LOCAL MINISTRY & OUTREACH

As we are not meeting face to face during this time of caution regarding COVID-19, pray that we will continue to serve and encourage one another and our community and world in alternative ways.

Faith Kids: Pray the kids will thrive in the worship at home format during this time.

Faith Student Ministry: Adjustment for students as they learn at home, separated from friends and activities. May they be renewed in body and mind, not overwhelmed with fear and anxiety for feeling isolated and lonely.

Adult Ministries: Community groups as they meet in alternative ways to serve one another and serve beyond themselves.

Iglesia de Fé: Pastor Luis Martinez and his leadership team, seeking to serve their church family when they can't meet as usual.

Faith International English: FIEC team as they reach out to students in this tough time, even more difficult in not being part of the majority culture.

Staff and Leadership

Elders: Jonathan Baker, Bob Blahnik, Lee Christenson, Brian Clarke, Dennis Dawes, Terry Fleck, Joe Fitzgerald

Deacons: John Buben, Josh Horstman

Staff: Kendra Carter, Chris Frank

FAITH FAMILY

Anna Houser: breast cancer, surgery on 3/24; radiation to follow

Bill Ashcraft: back at Westminster Village after a week in hospital; ongoing physical therapy; improved blood flow and relief from neuropathy in left leg and foot

Noah Breitwieser: Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy - motor and language development; timing of steroids to slow effects of MD; research and possible drug trials that could help Noah

Jenn Breitwieser: enlarged heart; slowing/reversal of damage to avoid eventual transplant; full, active life without symptoms; faith in God's sovereignty to glorify Him through difficulties

John Crocker: recovery from outpatient surgery 3/23

Frances Dawes: neck discomfort; also daughter, Cappy, treatment for cancer

Rich Jones: MDS (myelodysplastic syndrome)

Sharon Kelly: ovarian cancer

Daniel McBride: debilitating back pain

Marti Miles: Ramsey Hunt Syndrome

Nancy Pryor: lupus and cirrhosis of the liver

Ryan Tomlin (son of Mark and Kim): working on front lines against COVID-19 as clinical pharmacist in infectious disease clinic in MI

Chronic Health Concerns: Tammy Bridges, Ghasem Charmsazi, Betty Coleman (spino cerebellar ataxia) John Crocker (Hepatic encephalopathy), Shari Davies, Robin Dawes, Nell Fitzgerald, Malinda Herke, Barbara Switzer

Special Needs, Care Homes, and Assisted Living:

Lil Ashby (at home), Ethel Ewing (Maple Park), Lois Gumper (Magnolia Springs), Norm Hughey (Woodland Terrace), Marilyn Klotz (Green House), Betty Miller (the Stratford), David Moore (Woodland Terrace) and Gloria Moore (home), Mattie Neff

(Autumnwood Village), Stella Phillips (Jane Fleck's mother), Sherry Rose (Willow Springs, Golden Living), Kathy Valentine (Sunrise/Old Meridian), Catherine Welty (the Stratford), Elizabeth West (home)

Employment needs: Scott Freeman, Daniel McBride

GLOBAL OUTREACH

Most of our missionaries are profoundly affected in their ministry because of the COVID-19 pandemic. This unprecedented challenge is filled with great Gospel opportunity. Pray to that end!

Dave and Emily Cetola – living in perhaps the hardest hit coronavirus area. Pray for openness to the Gospel in the face of sickness and death.

Paul & Michelle – economic stability amid increasing military conflicts; pray for communication with online audiences.

Mark & Stephanie Dodrill – for God to raise up a replacement for Mark to train as National Director of YFC in Spain.

Mark and Alyssa Dunker, Bethany, and Jacob and Alex Truex – back in Indianapolis after evacuation from Tanzania; under 14 day quarantine.

Tim and Clarissa – also back in Indianapolis and in quarantine.

Also pray for:

Eric & Sarah SE Asia

Randy & Valerie Beaverson (YFC/Asia Pacific) FL

Ed & Ann Benson (Cru) IN

David & Karen Bradley (Cru/JESUS Film Project) FL

Mark & Charlene Canada (SEND) KY

David & Emily Cetola (TEAM) Italy

John & Debbie Clifton (Wycliffe) FL

Lee & Pam Christenson (Wycliffe) IN

Joe & Kim Cluff (CMFI) Kenya

Kim & Jan Cone (EFCA) IN

Art & Lois Deyo (YFC) CO