

October 18, 2023

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

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea” Psalm 46:1-2

This Week

Pastor Jeff preaching from Acts 9:1-9

LOCAL MINISTRY & OUTREACH

Global Outreach: ABTS trip report/lunch, Oct 29;

Leatherman GO Time weekend, Nov 3-5

MOF: Men’s Hike/Retreat, Oct 19-22

Elders: Larry Reed, Fred Rescorla, Jerry Risser, Nathan Roth

Deacons: Kent Carmer, Ed Stehno

Staff: Brittany Johnson, Kristen King, Claire Kingsley

FAITH FAMILY

Maya Anderson: gall bladder surgery Sep 20

Amy Beattie: sister Kristy – recurring leukemia; pray for effective immunotherapy and stem cell transplant

Dan & Jenn Breitwieser: wisdom for decisions on treatment options/paths for Noah’s Duchenne MD; peace & patience

Renita Clarke: knee replacement Sep 27

Betty Coleman: recovering at home

Fred Cowan Jr.: auto accident 9/13; fractured ribs and various abrasions, cuts; recovering at home

Frances Dawes: leg better with diminished swelling & pain; still some numbness; PT to follow

Julia DellaRocco: grieving the death of her father (9/1)

Barry & Julie Foster: Daughter, Evy, diagnosed with MS; treatment, healing, strength, peace, hope

Scott Freeman: Mother, Anita, passed away Oct. 1

Carol Garcia: mother, Mary Grayson (91), sciatica pain continues; more injections to be scheduled

Ruth Ann Gigax: broken femur (8/12); returned to the Barrington for continuing rehab after 2nd surgery

Malinda Herke: recovery from leg wound Oct 6

Pastor Mickey Klink (Hope EFC, Roscoe, IL): wife, Laura, declining with ALS; pray for her and family (3 children)

Brian Parker: MSA (Multiple System Atrophy); major decline recently; likely to enter hospice care

Linda Roberts: Husband, Jack, passed away Oct 7; funeral Oct 20 at 3PM at Faith, visitation at 2pm.

Sylvia Scott: pancreatic and lung cancer

Darlene Senisse: unresolved stomach pains with eating

Bob Tansey: fractured hip 10/16; IU North Hospital

Joyce Vickery: fractured right ankle, limited mobility; pray for healing and no need for surgery

Angelica Verastegui: Knee replacement Oct. 3

Woestman family: In Poland 10/18-23 visiting/serving with the Jacob & Becca Hash

Nancy Wooden: MDS, blood cancer; completed stem cell transplant 10/6. Receiving chemotherapy and transplant rejection meds. At University Hospital.

Chronic Health Concerns: Rosy Andrade (neuropathy), Lucy Breitwieser (mild CP affecting left leg), Noah Breitwieser (Duchenne MD), Ghasem Charmsazi, Betty Coleman (spinocerebellar ataxia), Robin Dawes (chronic pain/ neuropathy), Mary Garriott, Malinda Herke, Rich Jones (MDS), Sharon Kelly (ovarian cancer); Judy Parker; Leah Paterson; Fatemeh Saddigh (back pain)

Special Needs, Care Homes, Assisted Living:

Doris Craig, Frances Dawes (Brownsburg), Ethel Ewing (Maple Park, Westfield), Joe/Nell Fitzgerald (Stratford); Norm Hughey (Woodland Terrace), Phyllis Irwin, Jimmye Sue Lickliter (Hooverwood), Mattie Neff (Autumnwood Village), Audrey Pedersen (Hooverwood), Sherry Rose (Willow Springs), Bob Tansey (Bickford), Richard/Marge Upton (Allisonville Meadows), Kathy Valentine (Sunrise/Old Meridian), Elizabeth West

Military Service:

Fields Alexander, U. S. Marines, Camp Pendleton
Samuel Morford, U.S. Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC
Sam Sawada, Indiana Air Nat’l Guard

OUR NATION & WORLD

Pray that officials will lead with wisdom and charity, and seek justice; that they faithfully serve in their offices to promote the well-being of all people; for wisdom, unity, and cooperation across political divides as the House votes on a new Speaker; for the impact and witness of the Church in a culture of fear, division, anger, and violence; for a just peace and an end to hostility; that people might live in safety, especially in the Middle East and Ukraine; for the peace, safety, reconciliation, and healing of those scarred by war

GLOBAL OUTREACH

Randy and Valerie: Mid-October – in the Netherlands for YFC Int'l General Assembly; pray for visa approvals, safety and strength as Val serves on the medical team and Randy leads and presents in meetings.

David & Karen Bradley (Jesus Film Project): “The Animated Story of Jesus” premieres in theaters in Dec 2025 & be released in 100 languages; pray for producers, directors, technicians, and animators.

Mark & Charlene Canada (MDE): Pray for new members & volunteers and for the refining of some processes.

David & Emily Cetola (Team): Reengagement in ministry after in U.S. trip this summer; outreach to local college students; possible move for Croce Via church.

Lee & Pam Christenson (Wycliffe): Direction for best ways to serve church and community; staffing needs, guidance, direction for Wycliffe Church Relations dept

Joe & Kim Cluff (CMF, Kenya): Praise of 16 years of marriage; continued success for Kim, Sophia & Theo at school; Great harvest in Olkoro! 63 Discovery studies w/279 members and 33 baptisms May-Aug.

Marc & Stephanie Dodrill (YFC, Spain): Praise for increased #s at YFC summer camps and leader training courses; pray for time for support raising in Spain and response so that YFC Spain can be self-supporting.

Mark & Alyssa Dunker (Reach Global): Pray for transition to culture in Nairobi & finding community there; Praise for Alyssa's successful D.Min. defense! Jacob & Bethany's adjustment to parents being in Kenya

Jacob & Becca Hash (Josiah Venture, Poland): Praise for teammate Jonathan's heart transplant 9/21; pray for him, his wife, daughter and doctors.

Scott & Lisa Hicks (Barnabas International): Scott in Switzerland from 9/9 ministering at 2 conferences; for wisdom, open hearts, extra energy, restoration for the weary; Lisa's health while Scott is away.

Ruth Hubbard (InterVarsity): Four-month sabbatical beginning Aug 15; wisdom & focus for those making decisions about the future of Urbana.

Cindy Irwin (TEAM): Praise for Afghans connecting her with other Afghan families; for classes at the Loft and the privilege of praying with students.

Doug & Darla Leatherman (Cru): Two athletes — Noah and Brady — came to faith in Christ! Great start at Butler with 50-60 in large group mtgs; encouraged by

open doors; pray for discipleship groups — connections and wisdom; for Luke, Nick & Sam on leadership team.

Lisa Meharry (Wycliffe): The Lord's providing wisdom for some unique situations with new clients; for the people of Vanuatu to understand the Bible & be transformed; for adjustment to sleep apnea device & for improved sleep; helping with Jr High class at FMC.

Tom & Julie Meiner (Jesus Film Project): Praise for chaplains spreading the gospel in war; for Ukrainian and Russian soldiers to find salvation; pray for finances needed to move to the next phase of animation project.

Tom & Kristi Miller (Cru City): Tom coaching people through their Ministry Partner Development, including 3 couples seeking to serve with Cru's military ministry.

Jeff & Peg Shrum (Wycliffe): Praise – productive trip to Thailand for Flex parsing workshop; Jeff can now help other translators; Jeff helping teach workshops @ Bible Translation Conference, 10/13-17; Peg working on a check of 3 John for the Jaminawa people of Brazil.

Dave & Joy Skinner (OM, South Africa): Praise for 600+ people who distributed Greek NTs; pray for Greeks who received NTs to read and believe; local orthodox priests would encourage reading of NT; for follow up.

Mark Slaughter (InterVarsity): Pray for Mark's training others in mentoring w/Leighton Ford Ministries so each can launch new mentoring groups for pastors.

Kathi Small (TEAM, Guatemala): In Indy 10/6-20 for oncology check-up and time w/dad; pray for church doctrine class she is teaching, for preparation of course descriptions for a new program of study to begin in Jan, and for her doctoral work. Praise for 5 years serving at Central American Theological Seminary!

Isaac & Jenn Stough (YFC, Spain): In the U.S. for 6 months, currently in Wheaton; grateful for a season of rest; pray for a balance of rest and being with people; for Loyal to sleep longer in the mornings.

KTS (Ukraine): Pray for the 30 chaplains from the front lines who came for advanced training at KTS, including KTS academic dean, Vitaliy Maryash; pray for protection of students, grads, faculty, and staff; for peace, justice, safety, freedom, unity, and an end to war.

ABTS (Lebanon): Pray for peace & protection as Hezbollah and Israel have been firing rockets at each other; for the Church to be an agent of hope & peace