

February 21, 2024

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

*“Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.” Ps. 100:3*

### **This Week**

Pastor Jeff preaching from Lamentations 1:1-22

### **LOCAL MINISTRY & OUTREACH**

*Pray that worship, teaching & community will result in spiritual growth; pray for God’s wisdom for those who lead ministries; for our outreach to our neighbors*

**FIEC:** Need for Lvl. 2 teacher; care for students on the death of a conversation coach (not from Faith)

**FSM:** Ellie Preston stepping down 2/28 (not returning after maternity leave); search for new Youth Director

**Outreach:** Life2Life group evangelistic lifestyle training

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

**Deacons:** Kent Carmer, Ed Stehno

**Staff:** Brittany Johnson, Kristen King, Claire Kingsley

### **FAITH FAMILY**

*Pray for healing, hope, and comfort in Christ; that difficulty would draw people closer to Jesus*

**Amy Beattie:** sister Kristy, leukemia; recovering from stem cell transplant 12/7; suppressed immune system

**Sarah Carmer:** Aunt Joellen passed away Feb 8.

**Jim Casassa:** recovery from shoulder replacement 1/8

**Tom Forsberg:** daughter Annaliesa – pituitary tumor removal 1/22; recovery and follow-up

**Barbara Fountain:** Spinal cord injury, at St. Vincent

**Maggie Hooten:** total right knee replacement 1/24

**Kelleys:** Charlie – change in medication due to cancer progression; Loraine – ongoing immune suppression

**John King:** new position at UPS starts 2/19; same location, but unsure exactly what position will be; pray for continued patience, provision and peace.

**Emily Logan** (daughter of Larry & Linda Zornes): LMS, rare cancer in smooth muscle tissue, found in 3 places; 6 rounds of weekly chemotherapy, 2 weeks between

**Dale Luther:** wife, Margo, died Jan 29; funeral planned for Mar 23 at Faith at 11:00 am

**James & Tina Miles:** son, Will (age 20), died 12/31; pray for younger brothers Alex, Marcus, and David.

**Cullen Nance:** tests to determine cause of seizure on 12/23 and related neurological symptoms

**Brian Parker:** MSA (Multiple System Atrophy); hospice care at his home in Kalamazoo

**Jerry/Judy Parker:** daily challenges with Judy’s care

**Jenny Peklo:** son-in-law Kyle Somers (married to Lindy), in Air Force Reserves, will be deployed in late March

**Sylvia Scott:** pancreatic & lung cancer

**Bob Tansey:** rehab for hip fracture at Hamilton Trace

**Amanda Waddell:** Recovery from recent hospitalization

**Nancy Wooden:** MDS, blood cancer; recovering at home from stem cell transplant 10/6.

### **Chronic Health Concerns:**

*Pray for encouragement, faith, and perseverance*

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:**

*Pray that the Church will remember and care for those who are not able to worship in person*

Doris Craig, Frances Dawes (Brownsburg), Ethel Ewing (Maple Park, Westfield), Joe/Nell Fitzgerald (Stratford); Norm Hughey (Woodland Terrace), Phyllis Irwin, Jimmy 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), Chandler/Judith Waggonner (Stratford), Elizabeth West

### **Military Service:**

*Pray for their protection, wisdom, and witness*

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

### **OUR NATION & WORLD**

Pray that officials will lead with wisdom and charity, seek justice, and faithfully serve in their offices; 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, especially in Ecuador, Ethiopia, Middle East, Myanmar, Sudan, Ukraine; for safety & healing of those scarred by war; for believers’ hope and protection in the midst of violence and the Church’s witness as peacemakers.

## GLOBAL OUTREACH

*Pray that God will open doors of ministry and bless partnerships & friendships; that God's people will be led by the Spirit; that God will lead people to hearts ready to receive his Word; for encouragement & endurance.*

**Mark & Charlene Canada** (MDE): MDE brought in 6 new members! Onboarding a significant number due to a new partnership with a missions' organization that has asked MDE to provide BAM services for their workers!

**Lee & Pam Christenson** (Wycliffe): Direction for serving church and community; praise for a good retirement celebration!

**Joe & Kim Cluff** (CMF, Kenya): Praise of 16 years of marriage; continued success for Kim, Sophia & Theo at school.

**Mark & Stephanie Dodrill** (YFC, Spain): Applying to a new school for granddaughter Elisa which will be a better fit for her; praise for time with friends and family in the US in December which was a balm after a difficult Fall.

**Mark & Alyssa Dunker** (Reach Global): Co-teaching Marriage & Family this term; Mark teaching Preaching Skills, Alyssa teaching Hebrews & Pastoral Counseling; Pray for work permits to be approved.

**Jacob & Becca Hash** (Josiah Venture, Poland): Youth group stepping into deeper relationships, new people open to the gospel; Wojtek (Jacob's "Timothy") sharing the gospel weekly at a basketball outreach; Becca's great-aunt Joellen passed away Feb 8.

**Scott & Lisa Hicks** (Barnabas International): Scott in Chaing Mai, Thailand 1/15-2/2 counseling at a missions conference for SEND; clear communication & helpful care; Lisa taking role as Member Care Coordinator for missionaries at their church.

**Ruth Hubbard** (InterVarsity): ): Pray for continued growth in endurance, patience, grace; to rely fully on the Spirit to provide all that she needs to do as the Lord directs; for spaces of restoration and rejuvenation.

**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): Winter Conference ran smoothly and 71 indicated a decision for Christ! Joost is growing in Christ — pray for growth, protection from the evil one, witness to his team and family.

**Lisa Meharry** (Wycliffe): Pray for the Nkukoli Oral Bible Storytelling team; for wisdom with clients and for them to love with God's word/know God better; praise for extra work project going well and restful sleep!

**Tom & Julie Meiner** (Jesus Film Project): For Tom & his involvement/many decisions on the new Animated JESUS project; pray God provides the talent and funding needed to release the film in Dec. 2025.

**Tom & Kristi Miller** (Cru City): Traveling to Cuba 2/24 - 3/23 to join a team of 11 working with 5 churches sharing house-to-house and training church members to share their faith. Pray for team health, unity with Cuban workers & interpreters, open hearts.

**Jeff & Peg Shrum** (Wycliffe): Healing and pain relief for Peg's back. Praise for the new tools & resources to distribute God's Word!

**Mark Slaughter** (InterVarsity): Pray for Mark as he mentors Alex & other evangelists; that God would raise up a new generation of evangelists within IV; discernment of priorities in 2024; Mark's recovery from COVID.

**Kathi Small** (TEAM, Guatemala): Beginning third/final year of doctoral studies, taking 2 courses this semester, also teaching General Epistles; pray for the courses' practical application; for Marielos considering employment options; praise SENTECA celebrated 95 years of service!

**Isaac & Jenn Stough** (YFC, Spain): 6-month furlough in U.S. Pray for wisdom balancing activities and sabbatical rest; for João to know God's grace/follow Jesus; Elena (recently baptized) to love Jesus/know He is always near; Raquel to have a job that aligns with her passions & calling.

**Mark & Kathy Wilson** (Via Nations): Providing partner development training globally to ministry leaders.

**NEGST (Kenya)**: For AIU head Dr. Nelson Makanda; for transition, effectiveness in new role, deepened relationships with Faith & other partners.

**KTS (Ukraine)**: Pray for protection of staff and campus, peace in Ukraine; for wisdom on opening of branch campuses, for operational funds for seminary ministry in 2024; completion of shelter on campus; praise for good visit with Vasyl Ostryi at Faith.

**ABTS (Lebanon)**: Pray for peace & protection with increased violence along the border with Israel, and for the many people being displaced; for the Church to be agents of hope & peace; for students and graduates serving in dangerous places.