

February 27, 2025

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

"Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; from the end of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I, for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy." Psalm 61:1-3

This Week

Pastor Joey preaching from Acts 24:22-25:12

LOCAL MINISTRY & OUTREACH

Pray for growth in the fruit of God's Spirit; for God's wisdom for ministry leaders, outreach to neighbors

All Church: Ash Wednesday service, Mar 5; vote on "Faith for the Future" capital campaign, Mar 9

AWANA: Grand Prix Feb 26

Faith Kids: Infant-preschool family lunch social, Mar 2

Elders: Steve Shambaugh, Tom Waltz, Marc West, Matt Witham, Mike Zumbrun

Deacons: Mark Tomlin, Dave Yurek

Staff: Amy Mitchell, Julie Snyder

Pastors: Jeff Schultz, Joey Woestman

Finance Committee: Jim Fair, Brian Hackman, Josh Horstman, Justin Mohler, David Stowers

FAITH FAMILY

Pray for hope in trials and care for one another

Kim Allen: many weeks of recurring sinus infections and cold/flu symptoms – healing and immunity

Amy Beattie: sister Kristy, leukemia

Noah Breitwieser: Received MD gene therapy infusion; pray for isolation Dec-Feb, effective treatment, to stay healthy in coming out of isolation

John Buben: teaching at West Nairobi Christian School, planning lab experiments & classes

Dane & Liane Ezernack: daughter Emma, age 3, chemo for brain tumor – very nauseated and fatigued

Joe Fitzgerald: significant back pain; care for Nell

Sue Foster: fatigue, bp concerns, stability in walking

Ruth Ann Gigax: Covid

Agusta Harting: pain from Tarlov Cyst, spinal fluid leak

Rich Jones: MDS, blood cell counts deteriorating, chemo may be losing effectiveness

Emily Logan (daughter of Larry & Linda Zornes): passed away Jan 27 after battling cancer

Matt Mahan: employment & financial needs

Cullen Nance: diagnosis & treatment for seizures

Brad Parker: failing health with liver cancer, pain

Brian Parker: died Feb 7 after a long illness with MSA (Multiple System Atrophy), funeral Feb 13 in MI

Jerry & Judy Parker: challenges with Judy's care; grief in loss of son, Brian

Leah Paterson: Significant flare up of chronic intestinal problems – nausea, pain, sleeplessness, weight loss

Sue Price: husband, Dick, passed away unexpectedly Feb 16; funeral in Jacksonville, NC Feb 23 with memorial service at Faith @ 11am, Friday, Mar 21.

Sally Rushmore: mother, Marilyn Thomas, died Jan 24

Bill Shewan: sister-in-law's cancer has returned and is inoperable; treatment options limited

Bill Woolf: rehab from shoulder surgery

Jim Wright: several weeks of radiation therapy for prostate cancer, starting Jan 2.

Chronic Health Concerns:

Pray for faith, strength, perseverance & wholeness

Rosy Andrade, Lucy & Noah Breitwieser, Ghasem Charmsazi, Robin Dawes, Rich Jones, Judy Parker, Leah Paterson, Fatemeh Saddigh, Sylvia Scott, Ron Sonti

Special Needs, Care Homes, Assisted Living:

Pray the Church will remember and care for those who are unable to worship in person

Betty Coleman, Frances Dawes, Joe/Nell Fitzgerald, Barbara Fountain, Norm Hughey, Audrey Pedersen, Sherry Rose, Peggy Sprinkle, Bob Tansey, Richard/Marge Upton, Kathy Valentine, Chandler/Judith Waggoner, Elizabeth West

Military Service:

Pray for their protection, wisdom, and witness

Samuel Morford, U.S. Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC
Sam Sawada, IN Air Nat'l Guard Reserve, training call-up
Kyle Somers (Peklo's SIL), Air Force Reserve, deployed
Anne Davidson Ward (daughter of Darrell and Robin), Navy MD, Pensacola FL
Ryan Woolf (son of Mike & Elizabeth), US Army

OUR NATION & WORLD

Pray for those suffering from natural disasters and those responding to the crises;
for our political & civic leaders to seek God's wisdom and advance policies that reflect His character;
for the many civil servants, gov't employees, researchers, and contractors who serve the common good and whose employment is uncertain;
for peace, safety, and security in troubled parts of the world, especially Ukraine and the Middle East;
for foreign Christians living and serving in Turkey who are facing deportation, for believers suffering threats and persecution in Nigeria and Congo.

GLOBAL OUTREACH

Pray that God will open doors and bless partnerships & friendships; that God will lead people to hearts ready to receive his Word; for encouragement & endurance.

David & Karen Bradley (Jesus Film Project): Rest & peace for David during his sabbatical and for the 7 leaders/teams he normally leads to stay focused.

Mark & Charlene Canada (MDE): Pray for leadership transition, Mark staying on as Chairman of MDE Board; The Gathering at Faith Church 3/8 – connections, encouragement, vision, ministry expansion.

Kim & Joe Cluff (CMF, Kenya): Pray for Joe's mom (non-Hodgkin's lymphoma); for their team to stay focused on mission, that the Lord will give them success; for God's provision of teachers at West Nairobi School for next school year.

Mark & Stephanie Dodrill (YFC, Spain): Mark teaching in leadership training seminars, mentoring the youth leader at their church, writing a new discipleship series; Mark & Stephanie at a YFC seminar for local youth leaders in Feb.

Mark & Alyssa Dunker (ReachGlobal, Kenya): In CA caring for Mark's parents and teaching NEGST classes remotely, returning to Nairobi 5/6; pray for a good care plan for Mark's parents, for wisdom teaching the 2nd half of the term, for Alyssa's work permit.

Bill & Lee Hall (Wycliffe): Translator, Sharon, continues to redraft Exodus; Bill is checking Genesis and Exodus in Subanon; pray for them as they analyze meaning and translate

Jacob & Becca Hash (Josiah Venture, Poland): Praise for the Plan A retreat (52 in Paul-Timothy pairs)! Pray for prep for 100°Conference (170 youth leaders across Poland) looking at the theme of calling; need for additional \$300 in monthly support.

Ruth Hubbard: Working part-time for MDE; search for her next role; grief in dad's death

Doug & Darla Leatherman (Cru): Praise for changed lives and new believers at Indy Winter Conference! New BU football coach wants to continue faith-building events; pray students with internships are a light and walk with Jesus; for Justin to commit his life to Christ.

Lisa Meharry (Wycliffe): Praise the Lik people now have a complete Bible, and "extra" tasks in Jan/Feb went smoothly! Pray for a good upcoming vacation, for transitions in both departments where Lisa serves.

Tom & Christi Miller (Cru City): Mission trip to Cuba 2/23-3/1 teaming with the Cuban church, health, safety, team unity, wisdom, boldness sharing the Gospel; pray against the spiritual darkness of Santeria, a belief system of idol worship.

Dick & Sue Price (Christian Military Fellowship): Dick passed away unexpectedly Feb 15; funeral 2/23 in NC; memorial service at Faith, 11am, Friday 3/21.

Jeff & Peg Shrum (Wycliffe): Praise for Jeff's training opportunities (SE Asia, Alaska), Peg's improved results on blood tests! Pray for Jeff's study of Hebrew, trip to SE Asia & translation team; for translation team in DRC, for peace in Mozambique - due to violence most missionaries have been removed

Andy & Janet Singleterry (Servant Partners, San Jose): Pray for Janet's health & team finances.

Mark & Dawn Slaughter (InterVarsity): Mark spoke at a pastors conference in Nigeria in early Jan.; pray those who attended are encouraged and grow in ministry.

Kathi Small: (TEAM, Guatemala): Praise for successful research trip to Chicago in Jan! Teaching 3 education courses and 1 theology course this semester; pray for Mario, a student w/cancer, for Kathi's busy schedule, for connections w/neighbors Jennifer & Carolina.

Isaac & Jenn Stough (YFC, Spain): Praise Laia and Ronald (both with autism) are at youth group, pray they will know Jesus; Carmen to know Christ's love for her; Isaac speaks to youth leaders on the art of listening 3/1 – pray for preparations and leaders to be blessed.

Bill & Thelly Thomas (Cru): Praise for recent financial gifts, for tremendous response to the Jesus film! Pray Bill & Thelly's work enables Cru staff to serve effectively; need for more financial partners.

ABTS (Lebanon): Hosting/feeding displaced people on campus; theology programs at full capacity; pray for a lasting resolution to conflict, for Christian responses to those in need; for Wissam Nasrallah as President of ABTS on Elie Haddad's retirement (Oct. 2025).

KTS (Ukraine): For justice, hope, peace and freedom for Ukraine; for soldiers' and civilians' safety and healing from injuries and trauma; continued growth of the church; for wise leadership; for economic stability; for KTS President Ruslan Khmyz and his family.

NEGST (Kenya): Pray for provision for needy students and programs, provision of all the resources needed to establish the new School of Law; wisdom in planning and favor with regulators. Pray for relaunching the Doctoral Ministry program.