

September 2, 2026

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

Save me, O God!

For the waters have come up to my neck.

I sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold;

I have come into deep waters,

and the flood sweeps over me.

I am weary with my crying out; my throat is parched.

My eyes grow dim with waiting for my God.

Let heaven and earth praise him,

the seas and everything that moves in them.

For God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah,

and people shall dwell there and possess it;

the offspring of his servants shall inherit it,

and those who love his name shall dwell in it.

Psalms 69:1-3, 34-36

SUNDAY – Tom Macy preaching 1 Peter 1:1-5

LOCAL MINISTRY & OUTREACH

Elder Executive Board and Elders: wisdom and grace for leading Faith Church through a challenging season

Faith Kids: leadership needs for Fall ministry

Faith Student Ministry: small group leaders needed for fall

Men of Faith: Friday AM Bible Study – 1 Corinthians

Faith International English Classes (FIEC): staff needs

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

Deacons: Mark Tomlin, Dave Yurek

Finance Committee: Mark Canada, Jim Fair, Josh

Horstman, Justin Mohler, David Stowers

Staff: Amy Mitchell, Julie Snyder, Audri Witham

Pastors: Tom Macy

FAITH FAMILY

Pray for hope in trials and care for one another

Ruth Abelard: knee replacement September 2

Jim Casassa: suffering from shingles

Cierra Casey: surgery recovery from 8/12

Ray Childers: low platelets; bone marrow biopsy to be scheduled

Dave Forbes: Copper Trace apartment; tests pending

Jane Greuel: spinal surgery 8/25; laminectomy

Dale Luther: died 7/15; Memorial Service 9/26 at Faith

Jim Miles: knee replacement recovery

Randy Ollis: healing from fractured patella

Brad Parker: Pray for match for liver transplant.

Jerry Parker: Rehab transition at Good News Ministries

apartment, hopes to return home soon.

Virginia Shafer: knee replacement September 14

Larry Swanson: Praise God Larry appears to be cancer free; precautionary chemo for 4 to 6 weeks starting in August. Pray for weight gain and increased strength.

Chronic Health Concerns:

Pray for faith, strength, perseverance & wholeness

Lucy & Noah Breitwieser, Ghasem Charmsazi, Leah

Paterson, Fatemeh Saddigh, Ron Sonti

Special Needs, Care Homes, Assisted Living, Unable to worship in person:

Frances Dawes, Tom/Robin Dawes, Dave Forbes, Eddie/Sue Foster, Barb Fountain, Augusta Harting, Norm Hughey, Judy Parker, Sherry Rose, Dan Smashey, Peggy Sprinkle, John/Barbara Switzer, Bob Tansey, Marge Upton, Kathy Valentine, Chandler/Judith Waggoner, Elizabeth West

Military Service: *Pray for protection, wisdom, witness*
Isaac, grandson of Jim & Ann Casassa, deployed to the Middle East with the US Marines

Sam Sawada, IN Air National Guard Reserve

Anne Davidson Ward, Navy MD, Pensacola FL

Ryan Woolf (son of Mike & Elizabeth), US Army

INTERNATIONAL CRISES

Russia/Ukraine War

US/Iran War

Africa Ebola Crisis, 2000 plus deaths from 4500 cases

NATIONAL AND WORLD LEADERS

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way 1 Timothy 2:1-2

President Donald Trump

Governor Mike Braun

Mayor Hogsett, mayors and Council members of surrounding cities

U.S. House Speaker Mike Johnson

U.S. Senate Leader John Thune

Judges of Supreme Court and lower courts

GLOBAL OUTREACH

Kyiv Theological Seminary: Protection from missile & drone attacks, wisdom for decisions regarding safety while continuing educational ministry, for KTS staff serving in the armed forces including Vitaliy Mariash, Eduard Borisov, Andrii Murzin, Andrii Zalishchuk; for operational funds. Pray for an end to the war & a just and lasting peace; for families who have lost loved ones, homes, health & for millions of Ukrainians living in the uncertainty of war. 8/26

Dr. Kahto and Jeremiah Center in Bunia, DRC: This ministry in war torn Congo is also the epicenter for the latest Ebola outbreak. Kahto recently traveled with the Minister of Health to Mungwalu, where Ebola started. Pray for protection and for breakthroughs in research and safety measures. 7/1

Middle East Bible Outreach (MEBO) and Arab Baptist Theological Seminary: Lebanon continues to be the center of pressures from refugee resettlement in the middle east increased from current war in Iran and conflict between Israel and Hezbollah. Pray for ministries of MEBO stretched thin to serve growing numbers.

David & Emily Cetola (TEAM, Italy): Praise: summer camp wrapped up with great connections, new friends and opportunities to share the Gospel; Romano received Christ. Pray for all camp participants; wisdom in follow up; for Enrico – baptized, then broke ties with church. Pray God breaks through the unhealthy relationship influencing him. Son, Anthony, graduated from Italian public high school, attending Taylor University; for church Crovecia while they are away this month. 8/12

Mark & Stephanie Dodrill (YFC, Spain): Praise: 319 summer campers; 12 made first-time commitments to Christ. Pray for follow up, some attending Apologetics course. Praise for growth in Angela, former camper who met Christ, mentored by YFC staff, now a junior counselor facing difficulty with resilience and purpose. 8/12

Mark & Alyssa Dunker (ReachGlobal, Kenya): Delighted to have had 11 visitors from Faith in June/July. Master's in biblical counseling, Alyssa proposed. approved by the university senate. Pray further approval happens quickly so it can launch in January. Alyssa received every 6-months immunotherapy infusion and doing well. Praise: students in Mark's Acts and NT Survey classes expressed growth. Mark preparing to teach Pentateuch and Pastoral Theology next term. 8/5

Cindy Irwin (TEAM): Pray for the Bible study with Loft students now starting. Pray for good, meaningful conversations with 4 students before they return to Japan

this fall. Pray for Bible study with neighbors that meets every other Tues. evening and for wisdom to make the study accessible to those with no Biblical context. 8/26

Lisa Meharry (Wycliffe): Praise: the Shared Staff Engagement team worked to make significant, encouraging contact with more than 250 Wycliffe colleagues in July; able to do limited testing on the new financial software; new Finance team member transferring to the dept. Pray for wisdom resolving issues with the new financial software. flying to NC to help with Gathering, celebrating and caring for 50 Shared Staff members. 8/5

Tom & Julie Meiner (Jesus Film Project): Rejoicing in 75 years of God's faithfulness to Cru and our 30 years of service. 8/12

Emily Nussbaum (Cru): Pray for: long-term staff arriving in Belgium 9/4 to adjust to new culture and ministry; students arriving on campuses across the Midwest; staff's endurance through long but exciting days; for Emily's daughters, Hannah and Ellie, starting new school year. 8/12

Jeff & Peg Shrum (Wycliffe): Peg's recovery/pain mgmt following orthopedic surgery (fractured femur). Resolution of Peg's vision issues. Jeff teaching 7/17 on apocalyptic genre — pray it equips consultants to be more effective in their work. Resolution of Junta-Mon's team's technical problems so Jeff can begin work with them. Jeff's brother, Tim, battling cancer, starting chemo. 7/15

Dave & Joy Skinner (OM, South Africa): Pray for ministry of OM Ship, Doulas Hope, in PNG until 8/3. Ships and land teams need more workers — ... for new recruits who can raise support. ... for safety of foreign Africans in S. Africa; for wise government decisions regarding African refugees and border corruption. Praise: travel to Greece in April to visit son, Jed, and family. 7/22

Isaac & Jen Stough (YFC, Spain): Completed 5 weeks at camp caring for counselors. Pray for: "Amelia" and "Carlos" to encounter Jesus post-camp; for Oriol's continued growth; Stough family as they rest this month; campers who made decisions to pursue God & spend time with him daily; for counselors in training to continue to grow with Jesus. 7/29

Mark & Kathy Wilson (Via): Mark serves as Via's Global Equipping Teams Director. Pray churches around the world adopt unreached people groups, raise up healthy sending churches across 50 strategic countries and that through these efforts more laborers will be sent, disciples made and churches planted. Praise for a recent Support Raising Bootcamp in Zimbabwe! 7/29