

September 23, 2026

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

*In you, O LORD, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame!
In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me!
Be to me a rock of refuge,
to which I may continually come;
you have given the command to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.
Psalm 71:1-3*

SUNDAY – Nick Carter preaching from 1 Peter 1:22—2:3
The Imperishable Word

LOCAL MINISTRY & OUTREACH

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

Faith Kids: wisdom and spiritual sensitivity for our volunteers as they teach God's Word to our kids

Faith Student Ministry: small group leaders needed

Grow Class Teachers: Nick Carter, John King, Randy Schloneger, Nate Snyder

Men of Faith: Wed. PM, *Every Man a Warrior* Study

Faith International English Classes (FIEC): Pray for a great year with growth in English skills & growing relationships.

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

Deacons: Kent Carmer, Ed Stehno

Staff: Brittany Johnson, Joel Bussell

Pastors: Nathan Kingsley, Tom Macy

FAITH FAMILY

Ruth Abelard: 9/2 knee replacement; recovering at home

Bonnie Benshoof: knee replacement 9/15

Noah Breitwieser: new medicine to hopefully recover lost ability in recent months; protection from negative side effects and need from frequent blood draws.

Jim Casassa: suffering from shingles

Cierra Casey: surgery recovery from 8/12

Ray Childers: health concerns; diagnosis pending

Dave Forbes: back at Copper Trace; pending treatment

Jane Greuel: spinal surgery 8/25; laminectomy

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

Jim Miles: knee replacement recovery

Wanda Miles: died 9/15; funeral Friday, 9/25 at 11:00 am

at Faith; Visitation from 9:30 to 10:45 am

Christian Neely: Susan Tolbert's daughter; Sara Cockerham's sister; chemotherapy

Brad Parker: Pray for match for liver transplant.

Jerry Parker: Rehab at Good News apartment

Virginia Shafer: knee replacement September 14

Larry Swanson: appears to be cancer free; precautionary chemo for Pray for weight gain and increased strength.

Lydia Vickery: 9/21 surgery on 2 herniated discs; limited lifting for several weeks

Chronic Health Concerns:

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, Dave Forbes, 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

Africa Ebola Crisis – dangerous spread to the Ubangi province where large Evangelical Free Church population exists; location where Kim and Jan Cone served

Nepal Flood Recovery

Russia/Ukraine War

Israel/Palestinian conflict

US/Iran War/Middle East

GLOBAL OUTREACH

Kyiv Theological Seminary: Faculty developing courses/resources to equip students for realities of war: providing theological knowledge and forming mature followers of Christ who can lead others to Him grow in hardship. Pray for those recently mobilized: Andrii Z (military chaplain), Andrii M (age 58, combat-related duties) as well as Vitaliy M, Edward B. and Shane P; for protection, health, strength, grace. Pray for the necessary resources for winter. Even in war/hardship many are dedicating their lives to ministry. 9/9

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.

Amy Boyle (Claim Your Campus): Traveling with a team of 4 in central U.S. to mobilize middle and high school students to establish campus prayer movements. Pray for welcome from people of peace and favor in the places they travel. Pray for each member of her team to know Christ deeply. 9/9

David & Karen Bradley (Jesus Film): Pray for Mona and Carl and their ministry in the Arab world; for Sophia who witnessed to her family and saw them come to Christ. Pray for upcoming travel, for fundraising for the animated version of the Jesus Film, for David's dad, Steve, on hospice and for meaningful connections and a peaceful transition to his heavenly home, for the Christian Martial Arts ministry that reaches out to the local community. 9/9

Mark & Alyssa Dunker (ReachGlobal, Kenya): Mark's mom's surgery went well. Alyssa's Counseling in Africa team has launched the first fully-online introduction to Biblical Counseling class; 70 in this 13-week course. Pray students fall more deeply in love with God and his Word as they study the Pentateuch and Pastoral Theology (Mark's classes) and Pastoral Counseling (Alyssa's class) this term. Pray for Alfred & Pendo, Tanzanian students at AIU walking through significant trials. 9/23

Jacob & Becca Hash (Josiah Venture): Becca had surgery (9/15) to remove enlarged tonsil; pray for recovery. Pray for: connection in the midst of a busy season; further & deeper connection to people in their church; for trip logistics and scheduling for upcoming 6 months stay in the US starting in December. 9/23

Ruth Hubbard (MDE): Helping MDE communicate clearly, connect people with the right support and build

infrastructure that allows more business owners and professionals to make money and make disciples where they live and work. 9/23

Cindy Irwin (TEAM): Spanish-speaking church, Exodus, needs a new place to worship. Two students returning to Japan. Pray for Kozue, who has attended Bible study, to accept Jesus and find Christians in Japan. Silo Ridge study — pray for openness, God's Word to penetrate hearts and reveal his love. Pray for K and K who do not know Jesus. Pray for C, M, L and E in Houston to turn to Jesus. 9/23

Doug & Darla Leatherman (Cru): Praise: Son, Jerod, married Amy in July. Football chapels launched, women's soccer Bible study started, AIA staff & volunteers travel to NJ for training. Four new interns joined conference team in Indy. **Pray:** ongoing ministry on Indy campuses — for fruitful discipleship groups, the gospel to be shared broadly and for student leaders & staff to lead well; connections with new coaches & staff at Butler and for wisdom as the coaches group starts in a few weeks. Caitlyn and Caleb expecting baby in a few months. 9/9

Lisa Meharry (Wycliffe): Praise for new person on the Shared Staff Engagement team and that new member of Finance team is settling into his role well. Pray for recovery for Nepal and that translation efforts would continue. Some of the villages hit by the flood have active translation programs and are just beginning to receive the Word of God in their language. Pray for wisdom for all involved in the rollout of the new financial software. 9/9

Andy & Janet Singleterry (Servant Partners): Janet is in Bangkok for a gathering of organizations serving in marginalized neighborhoods all over the world. Pray: for her journey home, with her mother, as the long flights are difficult; to raise \$15K through the Play Day Fundraiser on 10/3; for the first Shalom Iglesia overseers board meeting in September. 9/23

Isaac & Jenn Stough (YFC, Spain): Loyal had a great start to school. Pray he expresses his needs more clearly, develops good friendships. Jack turned one on 9/8! Pray for good connection between Loyal and Jack; wisdom with sibling rivalry. Pray teens join the counselors-in-training program beginning 10/9. Youth for Christ center is being remodeled. 9/23

Kathi Small (TEAM, Guatemala): Completing teaching Education as Ministry course. Pray for preparation of 2 courses that begin later in Sept. Praise for a successful and enjoyable missions fair, for visit from 2 friends from Indy and celebration of her dad's 90th birthday with him. 9/9