



College Church

Proclaiming the Gospel

PRAYER GUIDE SEPTEMBER 2022

1 PRAY FOR: Pastor of Discipleship **Josh Maurer** and Admin. Asst. for Discipleship Ministries **Mary DeMoss**—us to “consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together” (Hebrews 10:24-25) as fall ministries begin. **Curt** and **Karen Cole**, Avant Ministries, KS/Worldwide—them as they coach and prepare people for cross-cultural ministry; praise God for the chance this summer to serve in two of their mission’s Refresh conferences for their missionaries in Panama and in Malaysia; their son Brandon and his family as they prepare to serve with SEND International.

2 PRAY FOR: Those experiencing grief or loss: missionary Rod Duttweiler, Debbie Hollinger. **Greg** and **Debby Nichols**, GEM, Czech Republic—wisdom in their time and resources as they minister to displaced Ukrainians; a place to rent as a 12-18-month center for ministry to displaced Ukrainians in Prague; Russian people to see, believe and react morally to what is happening in Ukraine.

3 PRAY FOR: Ongoing health needs: Brian Bauer, Ron Chiodras, Shawn DeMoss, Jean Dusek, Carol Eickhoff, Sheri Fuller, Ed Hollatz, Tom Kay, Ruth Penner, Jody Piety, Phil Sheridan, Jim Siple, Joe Slone, Brian Smidesang, Jim Stough. **Missionary health needs:** Roslyn Albright, Don Genheimer, Nan Green, Marjorie Okoro. **Michael Walker** (mid-term 2025), TCCL/UK—God to move in the hearts of students in London to sense their need for him; wisdom for David and Malcolm, pastors at Trinity Church Central London, and to Michael as they make concrete plans for the next ministry year; God’s continued provision for Michael.

4 PRAY FOR: College Group—the college students involved in home groups that begin this week with a study in the Book of Romans. It’s **Back to Church Sunday** on September 11—those who call College Church their church to be motivated to come to the worship services. **Mike** and **Carol Beth**, Asia—encouraging connections with people as Mike and Carol Beth are in the States through October; their youngest child, Linden, as she settles in the U.S.;

contentment, joy and growth in her faith; them to be a blessing and encouragement to their parents, children and grandchildren during this home assignment.

5 PRAY FOR: Grace Groups for mental health—the first session on September 12 to go well; individuals and families to experience mental and emotional resilience as a community; insight for the group facilitators. **Karen Bradley**, WBT, US—Karen's ESL student from Myanmar (a missionary in her home country) as she begins a graduate program in linguistics; two ESL teachers to join their team as they continue to get requests for English support from international colleagues around the world.

6 PRAY FOR: Mom2Mom—moms of young children to build community with their peers and with moms a little further down the path than they. **Jim and Lynette Hatcher**, GEM, Austria—someone to watch their home while they are in the U.S.; their church in Vienna, which will be shorthanded this coming winter and has been wrestling with other challenges (the absence of a pastor and two elders stepping down); some of the young couples the Hatchers are discipling who are discouraged by these developments; the Lord to use this time for his purposes, both in them as well as through them to bless others.

7 PRAY FOR: GriefShare that begins September 12; the facilitators as they guide the sessions; the participants to truly know that they are not alone in the grieving process. **Steve and Mirian Cox**, WOL, Brazil—a productive new term; continued good health. **WOL Bible Seminary**, Sao Paulo, Brazil. **Jonathan and Teresa Simons**, SIM, Colombia.

8 PRAY FOR: Brian and Warrie Blackburn, Mercy Ships, Worldwide—the two ships in Senegal to be a fruitful place where the gospel is shared and lives transformed; the patients who come to these ships to receive physical and spiritual healing; the staff onboard to boldly share the love of Christ.

9 PRAY FOR: Tim, N. Africa. **Jim and Juliana Gieser**, YMCA, South Africa (mid-term)—their hearts as they transition back to life and roles in Cape Town; a successful approval of their three-year visa renewal request; praise God for new donations to the Student Y that will enable security fencing to be installed and renovations done on the building that was damaged in last year's fire.

10 PRAY FOR: the Visitors Lunch tomorrow at noon; newcomers who attend to discover how they can be involved in the church; Pastor of Visitation and Care **Bruce Main** and Admin. Asst. of Congregational Care **Christy Chiodras**—**Roger Burgess** as he begins his pastoral care ministry with Bruce. The **Hospitality Committee**. **Sara**

Klopfenstein, YFC, France—Manu as he begins a new position in his field of social work management; Nathan at Ball State, and Audrey beginning her university studies in France; their choir ministries and church to remain faithful to the gospel as they interact with people from various religious backgrounds.

11 PRAY FOR: The first-ever **Kids Harbor Welcome Back Party** this afternoon, where parents can meet the volunteers who serve their children each week. **Dan** and **Beth Long**, SIM, Ethiopia—the logistics for upcoming chaplain trips: to Switzerland for the Traction men's missionary retreat, to Wheaton for College Church's missions festival in October; to Pakistan in November to support the team there during its annual spiritual life conference; connections with missionaries passing through the SIM office in Charlotte; Beth as she cares for her parents (former College Church missionaries Don and Muriel Stilwell).

12 PRAY FOR: Church family serving in the military—Andrew Aldridge, David Curlin, David Elsen, Wesley Hanna, Derek Johanik, Jake and Tiffany Johanik, Hannah Kosirog, Christopher Martis, Howard Mill, Rachel Patrick, Sarah Powell, Wesley Schmidt, David Tebbe, Joshua and Elizabeth Wiltgen, Douglas Yates. **Chad** and **Leanna Wiebe**, SEND, Ukraine—the Lord to provide for the needs of the refugees and missionaries with whom Chad and Leanna are working. **Jeff** and **Marilyn**, Asia—Bible and Scripture audio players to get to those who need them; his Word to work powerfully in people's lives, raising up workers for the harvest; wisdom and energy in responding to project administration and visa partner work.

13 PRAY FOR: Thad and **Joy McAuley**, GEM, Worldwide—wisdom as they guide strategy and equip current and future mission workers; praise for the beauty of how God is working and the gospel opportunities in the chaos and suffering of the war in Ukraine; praise for the 82 college interns that served via GEM in Europe this summer; God to guide their next steps in life and ministry.

14 PRAY FOR: Women's and Men's Bible Studies begin today; the groups as they both study the Book of Deuteronomy this fall to see who God is and what that means for them. **Robbie** and **Lauren Becker**, ECA, Colombia—their high school retreat this weekend; non-believers to see the glory of the gospel and believers to solidify their own faith; God to use conversations, classes and events to grow a passion among Colombians for missions to the unreached; contacts as they work to network and open doors to the gospel; God to provide for their increasing financial support needs. **Center for Applied Christian Ethics**, Wheaton. **Daniel L.**, Forman Christian College, Pakistan. **St. Trivellius Institute**

(formerly Bulgarian Evangelical Theological Institute), Sofia, Bulgaria.

15 PRAY FOR: the first **Keenagers** event Friday evening; good fellowship over dinner; the program and speaker Joe Hanson. **Nathan and Vera Beck**, GEM, Czech Republic—God’s provision as they raise funds for solar panels for their home; safety for their Ukrainian friends who had joined their church but have left to go back to Ukraine; praise for a spiritually, emotionally and physically refreshing time at the GEM-K conference.

16 PRAY FOR: Pastor **Curt Miller**, Missions Administrative Assistant **Kathy Bailey** and Missions Coordinator **Marilyn Papierski**—the launch of a newly renovated online Missionary Preparation Program open to anyone interested in missions; the busiest season of the year for the missions office; volunteers willing to serve throughout the fall missions festival; preparations for the **October Missions Festival**; speakers Matt Smethurst on the Community Outreach weekend and Steve Krogh on the Global Missions weekend; attending missionaries as they prepare to share; opens hearts to receive God’s calling to be on mission to a lost world.

17 PRAY FOR: The Twenties Group fall retreat at Warren Dunes this weekend; good learning from God’s Word and sweet fellowship. The **Board of Missions** and Chair **Jim Tebbe**—good connections with the missionaries in town for the festival. **DuPage PADS** (Public Action to Deliver Shelter)—its annual 18th Annual Walk 4 Home at College of DuPage today. **Scott and Jenny Hawkins**, ISI, NC—the Risen Lord’s kingdom to advance among international students at Duke University and North Carolina State University; a movement of repentance for unbelief, idolatry and personal sin; the Lord to add to their team in the Triangle area of NC; them to extol the Lord of the nations as he brings dozens of community volunteers to serve in important ways this month.

18 PRAY FOR: **STAMP teams** and the **STAMP Committee**—decisions regarding trips in 2023; God to move in the hearts of individuals to consider a possible trip. **Charley and Cheryl Warner**, Barnabas, Ukraine—rescue for Ukrainians in danger and for refugees; the Warner family as they support their daughters in transition; wisdom about a return to Ukraine; safe travels for Charley as he travels to Armenia, stopping off in Irpin on the way, if it is safe to do so. **Paul Adams**, WP, Worldwide—the pastors they work with in difficult places such as Ukraine, Ethiopia and Myanmar to be protected and strengthened to faithfully proclaim God’s life-giving Word in difficult circumstances; Mary and Paul to have wisdom as they encourage and study the Bible with a group of believers via video in Mary’s home country.

19 PRAY FOR: Missions Treasurer **Nate Peterson, Stephen** and **Karis Rigby**, Serge, Kenya—their family as they begin an extended home assignment in the U.S. at the end of September; their two older children as they leave their home and friends for the first time; them to settle well in Wheaton and have a space to connect with people in the U.S.; Karis and the health of their baby due in November.

20 PRAY FOR: Hope Fellowship Church (fourth church plant in Lombard), Pastor **Eric Channing** and the congregation—God’s richest blessings on Eric as he shepherds the flock at Hope Fellowship. **Emmanuel** and **Adugna Tahear**, SIM, Wheaton—the children of the Ark orphanage at Jarabacoa, where Adugna served this summer with College Church missionary partners; the Ethiopia medical-dental mission outreach partners in country to cope with the challenges they face; the Burmese church and its site in St. Charles; their progress to witness for Christ in their new location; the Multi Nations monthly gatherings at College Church.

21 PRAY FOR: Small Groups and leaders—**Pastoral Resident Josue Alvarado** as he encourages and trains small group leaders; more small group leaders to be identified and new groups formed. **Daniel** and **Heather**, Asia—wisdom for Daniel and Heather as they parent their children; God’s protection over the faculty, staff and students of the Bible College, **Hanoi Bible College**, Vietnam.

22 PRAY FOR: The Sanctity of Human Life Task Force—volunteers to join the task force in helping to plan and promote pro-life news and events. **Caring Network DuPage**, Wheaton—protection of the centers; expansion of affiliates throughout the county. **Greg** and **Faith Hurst**, SIM, Bolivia.

23 PRAY FOR: Holy Trinity Church (church plant in Hyde Park, Chicago, with congregations in the Loop, on the west side and on the north side), Pastors **Dave Helm, Jon Dennis, Oscar Leiva** and **Tom Barrett**, respectively and all the congregations—these churches to be a warm gospel presence in their neighborhood.

24 PRAY FOR: Home-bound and care centers: Dorothy Anderson, Vivian Borrink, Peg Carlson, Patty Edmonds, Lois Erickson, Jerry Haddock, Julia King, Dick Peterson, Ed Selander, Lillian Smith, Tony Zalar, Forrest Zander. Praise God for **South Asian Friendship Center’s** 25 years of ministry. **Jon** and **Kathy Haley**, WV, Spain—Jon as he brings together all the ideas and resources he has developed over the past decade for the Greek textbooks; the next couple of months that are key for finalizing the details of the year one Koine Greek course Jon is preparing to teach

at IBSTE Seminary in Castelldefels, Barcelona; accuracy and efficiency as they move forward in the translation of the Acts volume of the Zondervan Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament, hopefully ready for publication by February 2023; their translator as she interacts with the book—that the Holy Spirit will quicken her mind to understand and receive the gospel.

25 PRAY FOR: José-Pablo and **Jane Sanchez**, Decision/OCI, Spain. **Jake** and **Honah Finn**, OMS, Thailand—them as they deal with termites, black mold and wall leakage at their house; patience as they take care of these issues with their landlord; the counselors and for Jake as the start of school means work at Cornerstone becomes busier and more demanding.

26 PRAY FOR: Living Hope (formerly Christ the King Church, second church plant in Aurora), Pastor **Ken Carr** and the congregation. **John** and **Pam**, Africa—thanks be to God for the Shaws from Canada and the McMillians from North Carolina who will step in for them while they are in Nashville on home assignment; praise God that guests at the Retreat continue to be refreshed and encouraged and ready to return to their places of service.

27 PRAY FOR: Mihai and Tamara Lundell, OCI, Italy—Tammy and Mihai as they travel to care for ministry leaders in Europe; Tammy as she leads a four-day spiritual retreat for European women leaders in Bulgaria; Mihai as he facilitates a group of member care workers in a course in Budapest; wisdom and discernment as their church in Genoa, holds an all-church assembly meeting to launch a change in leadership and a plan to change locations; their preparation for home assignment in the U.S. from October through New Year's Day. **Rod** and **Kathy Duttweiler**, EM, Nashville/Worldwide—comfort and peace for Rod's family as mourn the loss of his mother, Mary; God's direction and guidance to know where and when to meet next after the cancellation of the cohort training scheduled for September due to visa issues for the African brothers and sisters; direction and discernment for engaging ministry in their area of Memphis.

28 PRAY FOR: Outreach Community Center, Carol Stream—the after-school programs for elementary school students; the tutors who work with the students. **New Covenant Church** (church plant in Naperville), Senior Pastor **Chris Castaldo**. Church Librarian **Lisa Kern** and library staff. **Pastoral Residents Josue Alvarado, Matt Anthony** and **Richard Moomjian**.

29 PRAY FOR: Director of Communications Wil Triggs and Creative Communications Coordinator **Kathryn McBride**. **Dick** and **Roslyn Albright**, TLI, Wheaton/Worldwide—the pastors

attending TLI courses on Bible exposition in Sierra Leone, Brazil, Ethiopia and the Dominican Republic this month; good health, clear minds and fruitful interaction between mentors and pastors; Dick as he assists TLI teams preparing to teach overseas; God's healing touch on Roslyn's degenerative brain disease; grace, strength and wisdom in dealing with her condition.

30 PRAY FOR: Stephen and Teri Pardue, TeachBeyond, Philippines—online seminary students as they serve in persecuted contexts in their countries; safety, wisdom and courage; praise that the seminary where Stephen teaches and the preschool where Teri teaches are now in-person. Praise the Lord for the launch of four new textbooks targeted at serving Asian seminary students and pastors; these books to help Asian Christians apply and live out their faith.

MISSION ACRONYMS:

GEM – Greater Europe Mission

ECA – El Camino Academy

EM – East Mountain Leadership Development

ISI – International Students, Inc.

OCI – One Challenge International

OMS – One Mission Society

TCCL – Trinity Church Central London

TLI – Training Leaders International

WBT – Wycliffe Bible Translators

WOL – Word of Life

WP – WordPartners

WV – World Venture

YFC – Youth for Christ

PRAYER CALENDAR COMPILER:

WANDA POOR



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