



# College Church

Proclaiming the Gospel

## PRAYER GUIDE NOVEMBER 2022

**1 PRAY FOR:** Director of Administration and Finance **Nancy Singer**—praise God for the generous gift of new carpet that was installed in Commons Hall last month; thank God for the renovations to Crossings East, and that it is already being used by our student and other ministry groups; praise God for his faithfulness through this congregation for its generosity; our generosity to continue through the remainder of the year. **Ushers**—thank God for the ushers who faithfully service worshippers every Sunday.

**2 PRAY FOR: Those experiencing grief or loss:** Richard Gieser, Jan Kay, Bob Kay, Kris Kraker, Shelton Thompson, Steve Wiper, friends and family of Debbie Zaderaka, Wanda Zander. **Janet Blomberg**, AERC, Worldwide—Janet as she equips parents to help their teens with TCK and transition issues; praise the Lord that Janet's devotional for MKs/TCKs in transition has been published by Interaction and translated into Spanish to serve the global community.

**3 PRAY FOR: Bill and Laurie Stough**, Farming God's Way, U.S. & Uganda—wisdom as they seek God's desires, provision and timing regarding a move back to Uganda. **Ongoing health needs:** Joel Barnes, Brian Bauer, Sadie Blomberg, Ron Chiodras, Shawn DeMoss, Jean Dusek, Carol Eickhoff, Sheri Fuller, Ed Hollatz, 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.

**4 PRAY FOR:** the **high school students on retreat** this weekend at Dickson Valley Camp to rest in God and the truth of his Word. Thank God for the monthly peaceful prayer outside Planned Parenthood Aurora tomorrow. **Ben and Mandy Pehrson**, WBT, Papua New Guinea—wisdom in helping their five kids with their activities and challenges, their next big transition in December when they go back to Papua New Guinea with Jacob and Jenny Beth; Ben and the fellow consultants as they check over the Arop draft of Colossians in preparation for this month's transition.

**5 PRAY FOR:** the women's **Monthly Gathering** this morning; thank God for this time women can connect, discuss and grow. Technology Director **Tim Hollinger**, Digital Manager **Tony Visconti** and AV Managers **Joseph Abdelmelek** and **Shelton Thompson**—thank God for a skilled servant staff (Tony, Shelton and Joseph) who support our ministries through technology; thank God for the ability to use modern technologies for good and for the advancement of the gospel; thank God for volunteers who give of their time and talents on Sunday mornings. **John and Elsa Maust**, MAI (2), Wheaton/Worldwide.

**6 PRAY FOR:** Today is the **International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**. As we pray for those who suffer for the sake of the gospel, thank God that their present sufferings are "not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed. . ." (Rom. 8:18) **STARS (Disability Ministries)**, Sunday morning Supt. **Dorothy Nicholson** and Supt. **Lin Fallon**—thank God for volunteers who help our STARS worship our great God. **Phil Smith**, AHI, Wheaton/Worldwide—wisdom as Phil and his colleagues visit Burundi and come alongside the ministry team there; God to bring good people who are a good fit for this team and the new positions AHI has created to help address the many opportunities before them; Jessica as she cares for their four children while Phil is away. **Kristen** (Eurasia)—thank God for Kristen and Shahram's wedding and that his Iranian family attended; their team and the residence permits that need to be granted; the vulnerable women and children left behind when men flee to Europe; wisdom for

more stable again. **Bolivian Bible Seminary**, Cochabamba, Bolivia.

**7 PRAY FOR:** Director of Disability Ministries (STARS) **Julie Clemens**, Ministry Associate for Disability Ministries **Elliana Anderson**, Admin. Assistant for Disability Ministries **Kim Jimenez**. Disability ministries volunteer staff—thank God for Sunday morning classes, Praise in Action on Wednesdays and Friday Night Fun and Buddy Break. **Norm** and **Cathy Beasley**, WBT, U.S.—Norm’s shoulder replacement on November 22 and subsequent recovery’ their staff around the globe as they seek to train and educate them in risk management and assessment; additional financial partners to join their team as several faithful partners have gone to heaven recently.

**8 PRAY FOR:** The general election today; thank God that he alone is God in heaven above and on earth below. **STARS Family Services** (living arrangements and services). **Stanley** and **Marjorie Okoro**, GEM, France—good opportunities and divine encounters as they try some new spots for their coffee outreach; their teammates in Tourcoing and Haubourdin as they develop new relationships and share the gospel with the neighbors; God to continue to sustain them through Marjorie’s cancer as her due date approaches.

**9 PRAY FOR:** Facility Director **Howard Kern**, Asst. Manager **Dave Carlburg** and staff—safety, especially during the winter months; thank God for Howard and staff who are committed to advancing Christ’s kingdom one task at a time. **Laurie**, Asia—a strong walking ability as she recovers from surgeries; open borders of the country where she serves so she can return; strong financial support **.Isaac** and **Jennifer Stough**, Youth for Christ, Spain—their health as they have been sick a lot lately; the Friday night youth group with about 30 kids coming; the talks on the kingdom of God to be clear and that kids would come to know Jesus as Lord, Savior and friend.

**10 PRAY FOR:** **World Relief Corp.**, DuPage/Aurora—thank God that English classes have returned to in-person learning. **David** and **Majka**

Central Europe; wisdom to find the best way to serve the ministries God has asked them to help; good health for their family. **Jeff and Margreet Dusek**, MAI (1), U.S.—the camp schedule to be settled for the summer; follow-up with the camps and campers from the previous summer; their son Luuk, a senior at Glenbard West High School, who is feeling the stress of the whole college search and enrollment process.

**11 PRAY FOR:** Keenagers and Chair **Don Childs**—the special Veteran’s Day program this evening; thank God for a strong turn-out and new people getting involved; Don to make a full recovery from knee surgery. **Daniel and Julie**, Southeast Asia—them to continue to learn Thai well; meaningful relationships with expats and the Thai people; an easy transition to the administration team of SIL; them to be a blessing to the people they work with; energy and renewal as translation work can be taxing and tiring.

**12 PRAY FOR:** **Robert and Laurie Nordstrom**, OMF, U.S.—their team as members develop relationships with students; students to see that Jesus alone is the way, the truth and the life as they study his teachings; Caitlyn’s healing from cancer and growing trust in Jesus. **Jamie and Kim Viands**, AIM, Kenya—their children to develop close friendships at school; each of them to embrace the Lord’s comfort; wisdom for Jamie and Kim as parents; thank God that Jamie is teaching in person this semester; praise God that the Kenyan presidential elections were conducted peacefully.

**13 PRAY FOR:** thank God for today’s **Visitors Lunch** and the opportunity to get to know one another. Retired missionaries: **Don Genheimer, Jim and Nan Green, Austin and Margrit, Chuck Hogren, Chuck and Anita Howard, Norm and Sue Kapp, Don and Muriel Stilwell, Bill and Ruth Stough, Gene Taylor, Roger and Naomi Walkwitz, Bob and Carol Wenninger. T. and R.**, Asia—Martha’s child to be able to enroll in a new school; the school to be willing and able to provide the support the child needs; Martha to see this as a sign of the Lord’s love for her; wisdom to know how to help local men build a sense of belonging together.

**14** **PRAY FOR:** The special GriefShare seminar Surviving the Holidays this evening; thank God for his grace and comfort in difficult times. **Jeff and Irene**, Asia. **Missionary Furlough Homes**, Wheaton—thank God for the new unit and more housing options for missionaries on furlough.

**15** **PRAY FOR:** **Kaitie Girgis**, Ministry Associate for 20s Ministry—thank God for the new people God has brought to the ministry; thank God for this encouraging community; praise the Lord for increasing service and discipleship opportunities both in the church and outside for the 20s small groups. **Tim and Carol Avery**, Pioneers, Kenya—good decision making; stamina and efficiency in the sorting, packing and shipping, especially that the logistics with the container would work out well; the difficult aspects of moving to not overwhelm them or make them feel anxious; the Lord to provide the remaining funds needed to go to Kenya.

**16** **PRAY FOR:** **Odesa Theological Seminary**, Odessa, Ukraine—peace; a cessation of war; protection of the vulnerable; God's people to find refuge in him **J and E**, North Africa.

**17** **PRAY FOR:** Treasurer **Ken Heulitt**, Financial Secretary **Eric Enstrom** and assistants—thank God for providing the financial resources to complete the first stage of the Crossings, with active use by our college and youth ministries; our faithfulness in giving during a bumpy economy; praise God for how he provided so bountifully through the dark COVID years. **Jeff and Ann VanDerMolen**, KA, Dominican Republic.

**18** **PRAY FOR:** **Susan Perlman**, JFJ, CA/Worldwide. **Bangui Evangelical School of Theology**, Bangui, Central African Republic.

**19** **PRAY FOR:** U.S. Supreme Court, Chief Justice **John Roberts** and the U.S. Judiciary. **Terri Miller**, ReachGlobal, Worldwide—needed rest and refreshment as well as wisdom about a timeline for renewal; new relationships and donors to provide needed resources for ministry; wonder and worship in her relationship with God. **Jonathan and Amy Harris**, OM, Wales—the weekly open air outreach

several women who don't know Jesus; preaching opportunities at Grace and other churches; God's continued guidance for Emily, Bethan and Joshua.

**20** **PRAY FOR:** Illinois Supreme Court and Illinois Judiciary. **Jeff** and **Tamara Hershberger**, SEND, Japan—the churches in Japan to remain strong in the Lord and to have wisdom in community outreach; the Hershberger family to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and to serve faithfully in this term; wisdom as Jeff and Tamara finish their temporary ministry this month; the Lord to lead them to the next fitting church partnership where the whole family can be involved.

**21** **PRAY FOR:** Illinois Governor **JB Pritzker** and his administration, including Lieutenant Governor **Juliana Stratton**. **John** and **Clara**, Middle East, (mid-term through January 2023)—provision of godly and mature teammates in this next season of ministry in the Middle East/ Africa region; sustaining grace and patience as they wrap up time in the U.S. and prepare to return for a second term overseas; God to prepare the heart of John and Clara's 13-year-old daughter to return to the field with joy, although she will miss the friends she made during their stateside time. **Steve** and **Lois Dresselhaus**, TEAM, Mexico.

**22** **PRAY OR:** Current Illinois State Senators **Doris Turner** (Dist. 48), **Laura Ellman** (Dist. 21), **Thomas Cullerton** (Dist. 23) and **Suzanne Glowiak Hilton** (Dist. 24); Illinois State Representatives **Grant Wehrli** (Dist. 41), **Amy Grant** (Dist. 42), **Diane Pappas** (Dist. 45), **Deb Conroy** (Dist. 46), **Deanne Mazzochi** (Dist. 47), **Terra Costa Howard** (Dist. 48) and **Karina Villa** (Dist. 49). **Arab Baptist Theological Seminary**, Beirut, Lebanon—the seminary as it seeks to bring Christ's peace to a country in turmoil.

**23** **PRAY FOR:** thank God for our annual **Thanksgiving Eve Service** as we declare God's steadfast love and faithfulness. Wheaton Mayor **Phil Seuss**, DuPage County Board Chair **Dan Cronin** and other local, school district and county officials. **John** and **Leila**, Asia—perseverance in learning Thai; the Lord to use them in Lopbun to share the good news with those who are lost;

people in Myanmar to turn to Jesus in the middle of continuing crisis there.

**24** **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!** “I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.” (Psalm 69:30)

**25** **PRAY FOR: Asian Theological Seminary, Philippines.** **Joe and Holly Greeson, SEND, AK**—the families who have lost their homes in the recent Alaska storm, with some sheltering in churches and village schools; a SEND couple in Canada dealing with the aftereffects of the husband’s mild stroke; Joe and Holly as they recently grieve the loss of one of their best friends in Anchorage, their dear Jan; God’s comfort for Jan’s husband, Jim; Joe and Holly’s adult children and grandchildren.

**26** **PRAY FOR: Followers of Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism and Islam. Repeat Boutique, Wheaton. Tim and Deanna Smith** (Missions Associates) **GEM, Worldwide**— their youngest son, Levi, who has moved into his first apartment and a new season of life, to trust God to lead him; a training they are doing in Houston for new missionaries called Welcome Weekend; the board meeting that is also taking place; wisdom and God’s guidance.

**27** **PRAY FOR: IT’S THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT!** Look up and center your thoughts on a loving God, who sent his promised Son and promises his Son’s return. Thank God for the creatives in College Church and the Advent ArtSpace Art Show this week in Crossings; thank God for the Advent Hymn Sing, “Come at Last,” this evening. The Board of Deaconesses and Chair **Lindsey McCracken. Heads of state in Europe and Eurasia. Heads of state in the Americas and the Pacific. Marcos and Mariana Romero, Reach Beyond, AZ.**

**28** **PRAY FOR:** The Board of Deacons and Chair **Kevin Cassel**—praise God for 13 dedicated men who devote their time, energy and expertise to serve the church through overseeing the finances, facilities and care of the church in partnership with amazing church staff, deaconesses and pastoral staff; thank God for unity of purpose among the

congregation; praise the Lord for generous giving that facilitates the ministries and missions that impact our local church body, community and the world for God's kingdom. **Steve** and **Lois Krogh**, TLI, Wheaton/Worldwide.

**29** **PRAY FOR: Home-bound and care centers:** Dorothy Anderson, Vivian Borrink, Peg Carlson, Patty Edmonds, Lois Erickson, Jerry Haddock, Julia King, Marve Mayer, Dick Peterson, Ed Selander, Evey Setran, Lillian Smith, Tony Zalar, Forrest Zander. **Vance** and **Andrea**, Asia—thank God that the meeting in Hanoi in October was unifying and encouraging for each member; Aidan to secure leave and join them in England during the holidays; each member of their family to grow in their love for God and follow his leading every day.

**30** **PRAY FOR: Heads of state in Asia.** **Ed** and **Joy L.**, Missions Associate—them to seize every opportunity to show compassion and also speak into deeper spiritual issues; them to be alert and quickened in understanding others.

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#### MISSION ACRONYMS:

**AERC** — Asia Education Resource Consortium

**AHI** — Accessible Hope International

**AIM** — Africa Inland Missions

**GEM** — Greater Europe Missions

**JFJ** — Jews for Jesus

**KA** — Kids Alive

**MAI** (1) — Missionary Athletes International

**MAI** (2) — Media Associates International

**OM** — Operation Mobilization

**OMF** — Overseas Missionary Fellowship

**TLI** — Training Leaders International

**WBT** — Wycliffe Bible Translators

#### PRAYER CALENDAR COMPILER:

WANDA POOR



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