



College Church

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PRAYER GUIDE

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1 PRAY FOR: Director of Administration and Finance **Nancy Singer**—praise God for good progress on the second STARS Resale Shop on Main Street and the safety for all the workers; pray for the final work on the store to be finished in the next couple of months and stocking the store to open in mid-January; Twice Is Nice and STARS to have strong sales during the holiday season. **Grounds Day Fall Cleanup**—thank God for the volunteers who help bring beauty and order to the church grounds year-round.

2 PRAY FOR: Today is **Day of Prayer for Persecuted Church**—stand in prayer with the global persecuted church; thank God that he hears our prayers on behalf of our brothers and sisters. **Bill and Laurie Stough**, FGW, Uganda—wisdom as Bill considers attending the CECA20 executive meeting in Buena, DR Congo, later this month to make a report on FGW; the next training in Kotido, with the Karamajong of NE Uganda; God to draw in a few more key players to the FGW initiative; protection and peace for Deo, his wife, Aliango, and their children; sufficient funds to bring their house construction to a habitable stage before the end of the year. **Those experiencing grief or loss:** Liz Cook, Cindy Roberts, missionary Michael Walker.

3 PRAY FOR: Ongoing health needs: Mary Atkison, Brian Bauer, Tony Belgio, Glen Belsley, Sirene Christman, Shawn DeMoss, Lisa Eckert, Barb Elsenheimer, Lisa Erceg, Tyler Ferguson, Kristin Garrett, Sara Jo Gogots, Jim Grisamore, Stephanie Lamberson, Nancy Tally, Gunnar Terhune, Seth Walter, David Wiggins; **missionary health needs:** Jim and Nan Green (retired), Jim and Kathy Hansen, Lewis Hershberger, Mandy Pehrson, Susan Perlman, José

Pablo Sánchez, Muriel Stilwell (retired), Cheryl Warner, Bob Wenninger (retired).

4 PRAY FOR: Director of Technology **Tim Hollinger**, Digital Manager **Tony Visconti** and AV Managers **Joseph Abdelmelek** and **Shelton Thompson**—thank God for the team of staff and volunteers who keep our computers and audio-visual running smoothly behind the scenes; thank God for the investment in technology that helps to communicate the gospel in all ways possible, including our new video system. **Norm** and **Cathy Beasley**, WBT, U.S.—healing of Norm's high blood pressure; a plan for their son-in-law Caleb in dealing with his arthritis and fibromyalgia; praise God for safety as Norm travels; thank God for providing the financial support Caleb and Bron (their daughter and son-in-law) need.

5 PRAY FOR: **Ben** and **Mandy Pehrson**, WBT, Papua New Guinea—the people in Papua New Guinea who live in fear of spirits and rival clans; the Word of God to be implanted in hearts and bear fruit; the team that is checking drafts of Genesis and Revelation and the final consultant checking of Matthew in ten languages; Ben and Mandy as they transition back to PNG after Christmas to model Christian humility and perseverance during trials.

6 PRAY FOR: STARS (Disability Ministries), Sunday morning Supt. **Dorothy Nicholson** and Supt. **Nathanael Strauch**, Wednesday evening Supt. **Debbie VanDerMolen**—thank God for steady and increased attendance in Sunday morning classes.

7 PRAY FOR: Director of Disability Ministries (STARS) **Julie Clemens**; Ministry Associates for Disability Ministries **Cassie Crowell**, **Christy Knudson**, **Christine Williams** and **Kristin Visconti**; Admin. Assistant for Disability Ministries **Hope Loeffler**—STARS who do not yet believe to come to saving faith in Jesus; one inclusion buddy for a third-grader to join peers; thank God for a successful Run for the STARS. **STARS Family Services** (SFS, living arrangements and services)—SFS art auction this evening to raise awareness and funds for SFS. Thank God for the **high school retreat** this weekend, and the time to pause busy lives and rest in God and the truth of his word.

8 PRAY FOR: The **ArtSpace workshop** with Andy Le Peau this morning to motivate and challenge writers; thank God for the writers who contribute to Connections. The **Membership class** this morning; thank God for our growing church family. **Stanley** and **Marjorie Okoro**, GEM, France—Kevin, Jean and

Marie-France as they embark on their journey as disciples of Christ; God to stir up a longing to know Him in the regulars at coffee table outreach: Louis, Rachid, Mohamed, Olivier (and his extended family), Yvann, Noah, Tiffany and their friends who have joined them on recent Sundays; a clear understanding of the gospel and transformed lives.

9 PRAY FOR: On Orphan Sunday, thank God for the **Family Advocacy task force** who act on behalf of vulnerable children and families. Facility Director **Howard Kern**, Asst. Manager **Paul Ross** and staff—thank God for the facilities team’s work in maintaining our buildings. **Laurie**, Asia—her students from unreached people groups to understand and accept God’s saving grace; the people she so cares about to be rescued from the demonic idols literally made by human hands; faithful and steady donor support. **Isaac** and **Jennifer Stough**, YFC, Spain—thank God for the safe arrival of baby Jack, adjustments for the family.

10 PRAY FOR: World Relief Corp., DuPage/Aurora. **David** and **Majka Phillips**, GEM, Europe—their first love to remain Jesus and overflow in all areas; multiplying discipleship to take place in Vienna and Bratislava; their daughters to grow in their faith and see God at work in their lives.

11 PRAY FOR: Thank God for **those serving in the military:** Andrew Aldridge, David Curlin, David Elsen, Hannah English, Wesley Hanna, Oliver Hsu, Derek Johanik, Jake & Tiffany Johanik, Peter Johanik, Ben Lemp, Christopher Martis, Howard Mill, Rachel Patrick, Sarah Powell, John Stough, David Tebbe, Douglas Yates. **Daniel** and **Julie**, Southeast Asia—Daniel as he navigates organizational changes with new leadership and funding for project staff; Julie as she helps prepare for a large upcoming translation conference as well as their own group conference in January; son Benjamin and a heavy academic load at his high school; him and college decisions down the road; son Timothy to adjust being in school again; continued wisdom regarding Timothy’s alopecia.

12 PRAY FOR: Robert and **Laurie**, OMF, U.S.—the new study downtown; their upcoming fall retreat, that God would bring the right students to the retreat; students to move closer to Jesus; Laurie’s ministry to her students—extra strength and grace during this challenging month and that her calm spirit would help the students during their transition; their amazing teammate Kim and her health situation. **Jamie** and **Kim Viands**, AIM, Kenya—daily strength and wisdom as Kim homeschools their children; wisdom and patience for Jamie as he oversees the undergraduate

theology programs of Nairobi Evangelical Graduate School of Theology/Africa International University which often requires navigation of challenging situations; the students to grow in the knowledge of Scripture and in their love for Christ and his church.

13 PRAY FOR: Retired missionaries: thank God for the years of faithful service represented by Jim and Nan Green, Austin and Margrit, Chuck Hogren, Chuck and Anita Howard, Norm and Sue Kapp, Muriel Stilwell, Bill and Ruth Stough, Gene Taylor, Bob Wenninger. **T. and R., MENA**—the students and teachers of the theological training program to grow in unity and trust; good communication to help students grow in their ability to parse the Scriptures while maintaining unity in the essentials and grace in non-essentials; their friend to be able to enter the country without any problem.

14 PRAY FOR: Jeff and Irene, Asia—their family as they adjust to life in America and grieve the life they left; Jeff as he begins his Bible translation work with the Seed Company; them to raise the needed financial support, even while exhausted in every way. **Missionary Furlough Homes, Wheaton**—thank God for well-appointed homes for missionaries on home assignment. Thank God for opportunities women have to build relationships with each other at women's ministries **Meet Up for Lunch** today and Sunday.

15 PRAY FOR: Derek Wang, Ministry Associate for 20s Ministry—praise God for this growing ministry. **Tim and Carol Avery**, Pioneers, Kenya—the Lord's grace to be evident in their marriage, parenting and homeschooling; the Avery family to bless and be blessed in the life of their local church; the publishing and seminary work to support the church in East Africa.

16 PRAY FOR: The About Us Lunch this afternoon; thank God for the opportunity for those new to the church to learn more about us. **Odesa Theological Seminary**, Odesa, Ukraine—lasting peace in Ukraine; people to be drawn to the Prince of Peace. **J and E, MENA**. E's 10-year spousal residency visa application to be accepted; a new place to live; a local individual to study the Word with this year.

17 PRAY FOR: Treasurer Eric Enstrom, financial secretary **Del Lamb** and assistants. Thank God for the **Mom2Mom** playdate today for young moms and their children. **Jeff and Ann VanDerMolen**, KA, Dominican Republic—spiritual growth and clarity as they recognize how their school fits into God's greater story; God to grant their staff strength and patience, especially with personal challenges and struggles; wisdom and

guidance to create individualized plans to support students in their academic, social and physical growth; the provision of sponsors for the 31 kindergarteners who need to be matched with a Student Champion.

18 PRAY FOR: Susan Perlman, JFJ, U.S.—God to see her through her recovery from neck surgery last month, including seven weeks of radiation treatments; their outreach teams in India and Peru, as they meet many Israeli young people who come to backpack in the mountains; their coffee shop ministry near UCLA, NYU, Tel Aviv University and others that they can connect and see fruit from their spiritual conversations. **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, U.S.—ongoing benefits from the 2025 Conference and the planning of the 2027 conference; traveling mercies and timely connections at this fall's gatherings. Mid-termer missionary Luke, SaltVentures— as he makes Sofia his new home and for more workers in Bulgaria and beyond. **Jonathan** and **Amy Harris**, OM, Wales.

20 PRAY FOR: Illinois Supreme Court and Illinois Judiciary. Jeff and Tamara Hershberger, SEND, Japan—God to sustain, protect and guide their family this missionary term; Jeff's ministries—men's group, preaching and outreach events; the Lord to grant words to speak the gospel with compassion and boldness (Eph 6:19); Tamara to point her seventh-grade students to Jesus by instruction and example.

21 PRAY FOR: the Keenagers dinner and program this evening; **Roger Burgess** as he shares his personal connection with Todd Beamer, Flight 93. Illinois Governor **JB Pritzker** and his administration, including Lieutenant Governor **Juliana Stratton. Steve** and **Lois Dresselhaus**, TEAM, Mexico. The **International Multi-Nations Thanksgiving potluck** is today; thank God that his kingdom is made up of people from every tribe, nation and language.

22 PRAY FOR: Current Illinois State Senators Linda Holmes (Dist. 4), **Doris Turner** (Dist. 48), **Laura Ellman** (Dist. 21), **Suzanne Glowiak Hilton** (Dist. 23) and **Seth Lewis** (Dist. 24); and current Illinois State Representatives **Janet Yang Rohr** (Dist. 41), **Martha Deuter** (Dist. 45), **Diane Blair-Sherlock** (Dist. 46), **Amy L. Grant** (Dist. 47), **Jennifer Sanalitro** (Dist. 48) and **Maura Hirschauer**

(Dist. 49). **Arab Baptist Theological Seminary**, Beirut, Lebanon.

23 PRAY FOR: The Board of Deaconesses and Chair **Julie Busteed**—thank god for the opportunity to serve the church and witness the beautiful way the body of Christ works together; the deaconesses as they continue seeking ways to walk alongside those in need. **Heads of State in Europe and Eurasia. Heads of State in the Americas and the Pacific.**

24 PRAY FOR: The Board of Deacons and Chair **Joel Barnes**—thank God for our deacons, who serve the church with integrity and faithfulness. **Elena Yin**, ECM, Africa—praise God for a grant for their exciting HIV/AIDS ministry; Elena as she uses this grant in the right ministries to advance the gospel and further discipleship programs for the long-run; focus as she evaluates staff members to see if trainings have been effective, especially in Bible teaching; wisdom as she decides which field locations to visit now for evaluation and training, and which ones can be done next year.

25 PRAY FOR: Asian Theological Seminary, Philippines. Wheaton Mayor **Phil Seuss**, DuPage County Board Chair **Deborah Conroy** and other local, school district and county officials. **J and L**, Asia—God’s people to commit to pray regularly for the Buddhist Bamar people of Myanmar—the majority of the country’s population—to hear the gospel and turn to Jesus; courage and boldness for the less than 1% of Bamars who are believers to share God’s love with their families and coworkers; their 20-year-old Burmese friend, Nine, to fully commit to Christ in spite of family pressures; Pastor M Soa, a Burmese pastor they partner with in Thailand to shepherd the people under his care and family as well.

26 PRAY FOR: As we gather for the **Thanksgiving Eve service**, let’s take to heart Psalm 107:32, “Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders” as we share what God has done in our lives. **Followers of Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism and Islam. Repeat Boutique**, Wheaton. **Kristen** (Eurasia). **Bolivian Bible Seminary**, Cochabamba, Bolivia. **Tim and Deanna Smith** (Missions Associates) GEM, North America.

27 HAPPY THANKSGIVING. “It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and harp, to the melody of the lyre. For you, O

Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.” (Psalm 92:1-3)

28 PRAY FOR: Steve and Lois Krogh, TLI, U.S.— Steve as he prepares for the classes he will teach at the beginning of 2026 in Brazil and Togo; he and Lois as they care for his 91-year-old mother in San Diego; them to encourage her, especially as she has faced numerous health issues lately; Steve and Lois to serve their church, Christ Church of South Metro Atlanta (a College Church plant) well and encourage those in leadership.

29 PRAY FOR: “I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging for bread.” (Psalm 37:25) Thank God for lives well-lived for the gospel. **Home-bound and care centers:** Vivian Borrink, Ruth Comfield, Liz Cook, Marcia Daniels, Jean Dusek, John & Gerda Dykstra, Patty Edmonds, Wayne & Barb King, Wally Lorentsen, Marve Mayer, Carol Nickerson, Margaret Roy, Evey Setran, Bob Wenninger.

30 PRAY FOR: Advent begins today. Thank God that “the true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.” (John 1:9) **Heads of State in Asia.** John and Clara, MENA—personal holiness, Bible intake, meditation and memorization: unity with their new teammates and church members; housing; godly friends for Ashley; visa/work details to come through in a timely manner; quick acquisition and adjustment to new Arabic dialect.

MISSION ACRONYMS:

AIM—Africa Inland Missions

ECM—Every Child Ministries

FGW—Farming God’s Way

GEM—Greater Europe Missions

JFJ—Jews for Jesus

KA—Kids Alive

MENA—Middle East North Africa

OM—Operation Mobilization

OMF—Overseas Missionary Fellowship

TLI—Training Leaders International

WBT—Wycliffe Bible Translators

YFC—Youth for Christ

PRAYER CALENDAR COMPILER:
WANDA POOR



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