



# College Church

Proclaiming the Gospel

## PRAYER GUIDE

### JUNE 2026

**1 PRAY FOR:** Pastor of Discipleship and Care **Josh Maurer**—the Foundations classes that start in August; good participation in these three, three-week classes. **Curt** and **Karen Cole**, Avant Ministries, U.S.—Karen as she counsels and encourages young missionary moms; their travel to Avant conferences this month in Panama and Europe; praise God for Radio Seara and the impact it is having in northeast Brazil.

**2 PRAY FOR:** volunteers at our display in Memorial Park during Cream of Wheaton this weekend to have gospel opportunities with the people who stop by. **Greg** and **Debby Nichols**, GEM, Czech Republic—wisdom for the leadership of the Ukrainian Bible Church in Prague as it adjusts to growth; Sela Ausria (discipleship training) and the organizing of the next cohort; the end of the war in Ukraine.

**3 PRAY FOR: Those experiencing grief or loss:** Liz Farber, Laurie McKevitt, STAR Dan Sutherland. **Melissa W.**, OMF, Thailand—her change to a marriage visa by July; Bank's visa process in coming to the U.S.; strength and wisdom in taking on clients from the three play therapists who are leaving; Catherine, the new Cornerstone hire who does play therapy as she raises support; praise God for excellent health care in Chiang Mai and great insurance coverage. **Hanoi Bible College**—the graduates who have returned to their villages in the mountains to serve growing churches.

**4 PRAY FOR: Mike** and **Carol Beth Sprenger**, Reach Global, US-based. **Steve** and **Mirian Cox**, WOL, Brazil—couples in their group experiencing rough

waters: Filipe and Malu with health issues and Lucan and Ariela grieving two deaths in their family; the Coxes as they invest in these couples; Steve's mom as she recovers from a fall; their care of his parents.

**WOL Bible Seminary**, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

**5 PRAY FOR: College Group**—the summer Bible study as students grow in their faith. **Karen Bradley**, WBT, US-based—her to teach well and encourage the staff and students while in Nairobi for six weeks this summer; her colleague “O” who has recently been diagnosed with cancer; praise the Lord for his mercies, new every morning.

**6 PRAY FOR: Jim and Lynette Hatcher**, GEM, Central Europe—the Kagan church leadership team retreat the last week of August, with one or two potential new elders; their search for a new location for their church; Lynette's additional testing this month June related to heart irregularities during recent EKGs.

**7 PRAY FOR: Summerfest** this afternoon—people in the community to come and discover Jesus. **Jonatán and Teresa Simons**, SIM, Colombia—their transition to the U.S. as they go off full support in January. **Jim and Julianna Gieser**, YMCA, South Africa—students who step foot on their little Y campus this year to experience God's transforming touch; God to use their various programs from the Living and Learning Community to their Core Project to seminars on biblical theology to courses on calling and vocation; praise God for a recent grant to help with staffing expenses.

**8 PRAY FOR: Pastor of visitation Bruce Main;** Women's Ministry Associate for Care and Visitation **Joan Engeseth**, Ministry Associate for Mercy Care **Barb Delew** and Care Coordinator **Christy Chiodras**—wisdom as the team seeks to meet the needs of the church family. **Ongoing health needs**—Mary Atkison, Brian Bauer, Tony Belgio, Sirene Christman, Carmen DeGroot, Shawn DeMoss, Lisa Eckert, Barb Elsenheimer, Tyler Ferguson, Sara Jo Gogots, Allan Sholes, Megan Stough, Nancy Tally, Gunnar Terhune, David Wiggins. **Missionary health needs:** one female worker in North Africa, one female worker in South Asia, Mary-Ann Cox (retired), Jim and Nan Green (retired), Ray Leaf (retired), José Pablo Sánchez, Muriel Stilwell (retired), Julie T., Bob Wenninger (retired).

**9 PRAY FOR: Tim**, N. Africa **Brian and Warrie Blackburn**, Mercy Ships, U.S.—the Global Mercy team to finish well in Sierra Leone as it completes a three-year field service program and sail to the Canary Islands for annual maintenance during the summer;

the Africa Mercy team and its new field service program in Madagascar; wisdom for the crew as it comes alongside those impacted by a recent cyclone there and resume surgeries onboard; the Blackburn family as Addison and Alyssa graduated from high school in May; the girls to have vision and courage for their lives beyond high school; them in support the girls in this new phase of life.

**10 PRAY FOR: The Hospitality Committee—** the new committee members as they settle into their various roles. **Sara Klopfenstein**, YFC, France— Sara as she meets with leaders of two local ministries: a women's ministry and an inner city ministry for teenage girls called Super Woman: praise God for the 100 plus choir members she sees weekly from a variety of backgrounds, personalities and capabilities.

**11 PRAY FOR: Dan and Beth Long**, SIM, U.S.— the planning for his chaplain trip to Ecuador in July to encourage their SIM team there; Beth as she continue her 24/7 care for her wonderful 96 year old mother, Muriel Stilwell; Dan's connections with SIM workers and his purpose as a chaplain is to keep them on the field and serving effectively.

**12 PRAY FOR: Chad and Leanna Wiebe**, SEND, Ukraine—safety and protection during frequent attacks on Kyiv and other cities in Ukraine; the Lord to prompt a large family of nine siblings and their children with whom they had an opportunity to share the gospel to seek him; a good ongoing relationship with this family; their Simply Mobilizing National Coordination Team (NCT) as they; the translation of the Unfinished Story for Youth and all its mission terminology to be done correctly; the right people for the dubbing of the videos, and funds for this project; the Lord's blessings on their home service in the US in July.

**13 PRAY FOR: Mihai and Tamara Lundell**, OCI, Italy—God to meet them as they have a holiday in Indonesia for a time of rest and refreshment, their local church in Genoa to enter the summer well, ready to welcome guests and care for their community well, Tammy will lead a group of 24 interns in Spiritual Formation for OC's First Switch Internship 2 week intensive in Bali, Indonesia from June 14-27, the interns and leaders to experience spiritual transformation during the 2 weeks together at the start of the 6 month program.

**14 PRAY FOR: two workers**, Asia—help in equipping a local believer for Scripture audio player distribution to work more independently before

their time home this month through September for a graduation and their daughter's wedding; praise the Lord that the Bible Society is interested in expanding the Scripture-based trauma healing ministry; next steps in that; thank God for the dedication of the Yazai (pseudonym) Bible in March which over 4,000 people attended. **Daniel L.**, Forman Christian College, Pakistan. **Church family serving in the military**—Jamie Bishop, David Curlin, David Elsen, Hannah English, Wesley Hanna, Derek Johanik, Jake and Tiffany Johanik, Peter Johanik, Ben Lemp, Christopher Martis, Howard Mill, Rachel Patrick, Sarah Powell, John Stough, David Tebbe, Douglas Yates

**15 PRAY FOR: Nathan and Vera Beck**, GEM, Czech Republic. **Summer Crew VBS** this month as the crew points children to Jesus who is the light of the world.

**16 PRAY FOR: Robbie and Lauren Becker**, RCE, Colombia. **James Seward**, pastor of community; **Gary Cook**, ministry associate for small groups; **small groups** and **leaders**—James as he teaches "Rightly Handling Scripture," a four-week course for men this summer; the men to make this a priority of their summer.

**17 PRAY FOR: The Board of Missions** and Chair **Jon Smalley**—the new board members as they assume their responsibilities. **Scott and Jenny Hawkins**, (missions associates) ISI, U.S.— eleven students who completed the Alpha Course recently; the one who professed to follow Christ, and the others who have grown in their awareness and appreciation of Christianity; the continued follow-up; the student returning to his house group in China; a Duke alumnus in Ankara who meets with Scott monthly via Zoom and wants to know God better; want to highly grateful to their Lord for decent health and very adequate funding.

**18 PRAY FOR: STAMP teams**—those who are considering applying for a STAMP trip to follow through as the Lord leads. **Charley and Cheryl Warner**, Barnabas, Ukraine—their speaking at the Barnabas International staff gathering in Wisconsin this month and the celebration of 40 years as an organization caring for global workers; a continued focus on their core value of being Word saturated; a safe return to their home in Ukraine in early July; capacity to continue ministry during wartime; God to bring about a just and lasting peace in Ukraine.

**19 PRAY FOR: Stephen and Karis Rigby**, Serge, Kenya—their time in the U.S. and Europe with

family and friends this summer; meaningful times of connection with loved; wisdom and discernment as they have undergone many transitions in roles the past few years, that they would listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd in how he is leading them in this season; the leaders in the Kenyan church that they walk alongside and faithfully encourage in their identity as sons and daughters of God; this to fuel their service within the church.

**20 PRAY FOR: Hope Fellowship Church** (church plant in Lombard) and Pastor **Eric Channing** and associate pastor **Jared Cochrum—Emmanuel** and **Adugna Tahear**, SIM, U.S.—peace in Ethiopia; God’s guidance as they prepare for their ongoing medical and dental mission trip, wisdom and strength to serve in both local and international ministries; God’s will in their lives and ministries; his provision in every area of need.

**21 PRAY FOR: Pastoral Residents Caleb Aulie, Ethan Kim** and **Jacob Samuel Raju** as they continue their residencies and for our new pastoral resident, **Zachary Monte** as he begins his residency. **Thad** and **Joy McAuley**, GEM, worldwide—a potential collaboration project between several missions groups that Thad is working on; their youngest son as he makes a college decision; praise God for the spring gathering GEM hosted in Athens for 325 European believers and disciple makers and the encouragement is provided for these believers.

**22 PRAY FOR: The Sanctity of Human Life Task Force—Caring Network DuPage—Greg** and **Faith Hurst**, SIM, Bolivia— Faith and Greg as they care for aging parents, her father’s life transition after losing a wife of 65 years and Greg’s mother who fell causing a sharp decline in her mobility and dementia, the final month of weekly Zoom meetings with the pastors of the churches participating in the Life on Life Mission Discipleship training, their next “incubator La Paz” in July which will be the 6<sup>th</sup> of 8 workshops over 2 years with 15 participating representing 15 church plants in 4 cities, Greg’s weekly coaching times with these church planters to help them hone strategic plans for their church plants by the end of July.

**23 PRAY FOR: Jake** and **Honah Finn**, OMS, Thailand—the approximately 600 missionaries and families coming to Cornerstone for support and encouragement; staff and clinicians at CCF and new clinicians to join the team as the demand is great; encouragement, protection and provision. **Holy Trinity**

**Church** (the first church plant in Hyde Park), with congregations downtown, the northside and Pilsen, and Pastors **Jon Dennis, Kyle Edwards, Oscar Leiva** and **Sully Curtin**.

**24 PRAY FOR: Home-bound and care centers:** Vivian Borrink, Ruth Comfield, Liz Cook, John Dykstra, Patty Edmonds, Mary Hamm, Cordon Kerns, Wayne & Barb King, Marcia McCrary, Carol Nickerson, Evey Setran, Bob Wenninger. **Jon** and **Kathy Haley**, WV, Spain—their son and daughter-in-law's second baby due in September; the production of educational videos for the Logos Bible Software on the study of Greek and sermon preparation; these videos to come together smoothly and be useful tools for Spanish-speaking students and teachers of the Bible; Jon as he teaches an Introduction to New Testament Greek online in the fall; the course to go well in this online format and be useful to many.

**25 PRAY FOR:** our church family who currently serve in the military: Andrew Aldridge, Jamie Bishop, David Curlin, David Elsen, Hannah English, Wesley Hanna, Derek Johanik, Jake and Tiffany Johanik, Peter Johanik, Ben Lemp, Christopher Martis, Howard Mill, Rachel Patrick, Sarah Powell, John Stough, David Tebbe, Douglas Yates.

**26 PRAY FOR:** the **Sanctity of Human Life Task Force** as it gathers for the 40 Days for Life's Year-Round, Peaceful Prayer Vigil tomorrow in Aurora. **Living Hope** (formerly Christ the King Church, second church plant in Batavia), Pastor **Ken Carr** and the congregation.

**27 PRAY FOR: Paul A.**, GTN, US based—wisdom as they coach new trainers; the Lord to grow the trainers in the gifts he has given them; the end goal of helping people to see more of who God is in his Word to remain in sight; God to change hearts through his Word. The **Prison Task Force**—thank God for this ministry that is bringing the light and hope of Jesus to the incarcerated at Stateville Correctional Center

**28 PRAY FOR: Outreach**, Carol Stream—the summer programs for children in grades 2-4. **New Covenant Church** and Senior Pastor **Chris Castaldo. Rod** and **Kathy Duttweiler**, Faith & Learning International, U.S.—wisdom and insight in encouraging pastors and Christian workers in various cultural contexts; Rod's and Kathy's relationships with the Lord to thrive as they serve in their local church and globally; guidance, protection and health with their numerous trips to Africa each year.

**29 PRAY FOR: Dick Albright**, TLI, U.S.—rest in the Lord after a busy travel schedule; pastors in Kenya and the Philippines to be diligent to use what they have learned to preach the Word faithfully and accurately; preparations for several more trips to Africa and Asia later this year. Director of Communications **Wil Triggs** and Communications Coordinator **Kathryn McBride**—the ArtSpace gatherings each month would encourage the creatives in the church.

**30 PRAY FOR: Stephen and Teri Pardue**, TeachBeyond, Philippines—a smooth transition to the States for their one-year home assignment; provision of tangible needs; Simon and Ivy as they prepare to enter American schools; the team in Manila as they assume the responsibilities that Steve has carried the last few years; harmony, wisdom and God’s blessing on the work of training leaders for the growing Asian church; praise the for graduates of the ThM/PhD program from the Philippines, India and Pakistan; these graduates as they move into new leadership roles with increased responsibilities.

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### MISSION ACRONYMS:

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| <b>AIM</b> —Africa Inland Mission        | <b>RCE</b> —Resourcing Christian Education |
| <b>GEM</b> —Greater Europe Mission       | <b>TLI</b> —Training Leaders International |
| <b>GTN</b> —Global Training Network      | <b>WBT</b> —Wycliffe Bible Translators     |
| <b>ISI</b> —International Students, Inc. | <b>WOL</b> —Word of Life                   |
| <b>OCI</b> —One Challenge International  | <b>WV</b> —World Venture                   |
| <b>OMF</b> —Overseas Mission Fellowship  | <b>YCF</b> —Youth for Christ               |
| <b>OMS</b> —One Mission Society          |  |

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