

Angelus: A Call to Prayer

January 2018

1. Thank God for fresh, new starts...and for a brand new year!
2. The new year can often be a time of loneliness and loss for people living by themselves. Landis Communities encourages you to pray for those in your congregation who may be feeling isolated. It is also a good time to visit!
3. Pray for the youth who will be attending Black Rock Retreat's Winter Camp and the adults who will be attending the Men's Retreat and Silent Sanctuary Retreats. Pray that all of our guests will experience refreshment and renewal in their journey with Jesus.
4. The Glen Lapp Memorial Volleyball tournament will be held at Lancaster Mennonite High School on January 6 and 13. Please pray for the tournament participants and also the family and friends of Glen Lapp as they celebrate his life and remember his commitment to service in the name of Christ.
5. As non-resident missionaries, Mike and Karen Baker provide leadership for EMM's work in West Africa. Pray for them as they communicate with workers and church leaders.
6. Drop-in Days are scheduled at each of the Lancaster Mennonite School campuses during the week of January 8-13. Please be in prayer for prospective families.
7. Pray for young people to volunteer as Kingdom Team staff this summer. These staffers will help youth groups grow as disciples and serve refugees during the summer Kingdom Team program.
8. The second quarter ends on January 12. Please pray for both teachers and students of Lancaster Mennonite School during the final week of this quarter.
9. Grace and David Shenk serve as global consultants for EMM. Pray for the Lord's protection and blessing on their ministry and for strength and stamina in all they do.
10. Pray over the work of the Credentialing Commission as they meet today.
11. Pray that a childcare worker will be sent to East Africa to care for four children of EMM missionaries.
12. An invitation stands for long-term workers to join a small body of believers in Kosovo and participate in discipleship and congregational life. Pray for workers to be sent.
13. Pray for the STEP students and instructors who meet today for their first monthly class session of 2018.
14. Pray for Brock Rohrer in the VidaNet discipleship program. May he grow in knowledge and depth of insight as he continues the program.
15. Ask God's favor for a strong finish to Lancaster Conference's 2017-2018 fiscal year (January 31, 2018).

16. Thank God for another year to be engaged in His mission. Pray that EMM workers will bring God's peace wherever they are in the world.
17. Remember the students participating in the Middle School and High School County Band festival (20th) and in the High School District Chorus Festival (25th-27th). Pray that students can relax and perform to the best of their ability and enjoy their interactions with other musicians.
18. Pray for the Strategic Direction Task Force's first meeting of the year.
19. Pray for the members of the Conference Executive Council, as they meet for the first time as the governing body of the Conference.
20. Ask God's blessing and wisdom for your pastor and all those involved in leading the worship service in your congregation tomorrow.
21. Pray for nurses, midwives, and ultrasound/X-ray technicians to be sent to a rural hospital in Sierra Leone to serve and help train local staff.
22. Thank God for the many volunteers throughout Lancaster Conference - Sunday school teachers, ministry team member, etc. Their gift of time and talent is a tremendous blessing to the church.
23. Pray that a community worker will be sent to assist and/or direct community summer programs, which include daily enrichment and tutoring programs for children.
24. Pray for the young adults who are discerning whether or not to engage in short-term service through EMM. Ask the Lord to move in their hearts and make His will clear to them.
25. Pray for the intentional interim pastors as they gather for their quarterly meeting.
26. Amanda and Bobby Peoples minister to children in an orphanage, in Honduras. Pray for strength and energy to love these children well, and for Jesus' love to abound more and more in the children's lives.
27. Pray for Lancaster Conference staff as they continue to prepare for the March 23-24 Celebration of Church Life event.
28. Nathanael and Spring Davis serve the marginalized Deaf community in Belize. Pray that they will bring the love and hope of Jesus to the people with whom they interact.
29. Pray for people who struggle with depression, especially at this time of year, inside and outside of the congregations.
30. Pray for more English teachers to serve long-term assignments at PROMESA, a bilingual Christian school.
31. Continue to pray for Kandace Glenn as she is in the U.S. after her yearlong internship, raising funds in order to return to Cambodia. Pray for the abundance of God's blessing to be poured out over her.