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# *Angelus:* A Call to Prayer

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1. Pray for Alexander and Maria\*, regional representatives for Central and South Asia, that they would know the Holy Spirit's presence, His grace, and His wisdom in their work and ministry each day.
2. Please pray for the persons leading the Human Resources department at Landis Communities as they seek to fill openings with people who support the organization's guiding values and who can be "Jesus Christ in Street Clothes" to residents and clients.
3. Pray for LMC staff as they take the day to retreat together.
4. Pray for the Homecoming and Fall Festival this weekend at Lancaster Mennonite School. Pray for a good time of celebration, fun and catching up with former classmates, including reunions of the classes of 1958 and 1973. Give thanks for the many lives enriched by years spent at Lancaster Mennonite.
5. Praise God for his leading in search of Community Mennonite Fellowship in Milton's new Youth Ministries Director, Jim Hostetter.
6. Phil and Linda Gottschalk teach at Tyndale Theological Seminary, discipling the young people studying at the school. Pray for grace each day to teach and love these students.
7. Ask that God will open doors and hearts to receive Jesus, as Jonathan Bornman serves as a consultant for Christian-Muslim relations (Colossians 4:3).
8. Leon and Naomi Zimmerman are leadership trainers serving globally. Pray that God will make their ministry exceedingly fruitful, that He will be glorified through this ministry, and that the message of Jesus may spread rapidly and be honored (2 Thessalonians 3:1).
9. Pray for the congregations that are in discernment about their affiliation with LMC.
10. Ask God's blessing over the Credentialing Commission and the interviewees as they meet today.
11. Pray for parent-teacher conferences taking place on today and tomorrow at Lancaster Mennonite School. These are important times for parents and teachers to talk together to ensure students are receiving the education and care that they need.
12. Pray for Ted and Julie Smoker, serving in Guatemala among the K'ekchi' people. Ask that their family would be blessed and encouraged today. Pray for the whole family as they seek to bear witness to the truth and love of Jesus.
13. Pray for the STEP classes that meet today. Pray for the ability for students to be able to focus, learn, and know how to apply what they are learning.
14. Pray for Mike and Roberta Lotvola, serving in Germany discipling young adults. Ask that God might give them energy and encouragement to pour into each of these young people.
15. This week (October 15-19) is Missions Inspiration Week at Lancaster Mennonite High School. Pray for the chapel speakers as they inspire students and faculty to live as Christ lived, in whatever situations they encounter.

16. Pray for Debbi DiGennaro, regional representative for East Africa. Pray that she is renewed and encouraged in the Holy Spirit so that she can lead and guide her team and church leaders
17. Rejoice with Steve Horst and Bethany Tobin for the many prayers that have been answered. Pray for God to lead them to the people who are waiting to hear, to establish the church, and to release people from addictions. Also, pray for freedom and wholeness, against division in the church, and for sustainability, as leaders learn to balance work, family life, and ministry.
18. Continued prayers for wisdom in Community Mennonite Fellowship in Milton's selection for their next lead pastor.
19. Ask God's blessing on the LMC Bishop Board meeting that takes place this morning.
20. Jon and Heleen Yoder serve in Sierra Leone with health, community development, and discipleship. Pray for Heleen as she continues her work with children who are victims of gender-based violence. Pray for emotional strength as she deals with heart-wrenching situations. Pray that God's love and compassion will flow out of Jon as he ministers at the hospital.
21. Pray for Galen and Phyllis Groff, volunteer workers in Belize, that Jesus would empower them to live justly, to do mercy, and to walk humbly with the Father.
22. Pray for Skylar and Mia\*, and their family serving in Asia, as they work with unreached people. Ask that the Lord would open hearts to respond to Jesus' call. Pray for good health for this family.
23. Give thanks for the many volunteers in LMC churches who share their gifts and time freely for kingdom work.
24. Pray for the actors and all those behind the scenes as they perform *Seven Keys to Baldpate* at Lancaster Mennonite High School October 25-27. Pray for calmness, confidence and enjoyment as their many weeks of preparation result in successful performances.
25. Pray for Kostj and Ori Zguri as they end their time in Albania and transition back to the U.S. in the next few months. Pray that God would give them a clear vision and a renewed passion for His call for their lives.
26. Pray for Bob and Miriam Phillips, as they lead and pastor at a church in the Netherlands. Pray for the Lord to infuse their ministry with His passion and love for the people they interact with each day.
27. Ask God's blessing and wisdom for your pastor and all those involved in leading the worship service in your congregation tomorrow.
28. Pray for Jan Heindel, serving in the Czech Republic as she teaches English and works with youth. Ask that the light of the gospel would shine through her and that the Father would call and enable those she works with to respond to Jesus.
29. Thank God for the generous congregational giving to LMC ministries. Pray for the strong financial support to continue.
30. The Association of Retired Ministers and Spouses (ARMS) annual retreat will be held today through tomorrow at Black Rock Retreat. Pray for all in attendance as they talk about "The Long Arc of God's Timing."
31. Pray and look for ways you can be a light in your community, today. Proclaim Christ's peace and protection over your community.

*\*Name(s) changed or last name(s) omitted for sensitivity reasons.*