

Angelus: A Call to Prayer

February 2020

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened." Matthew 7:7-8

- 1. Please consider praying for God's Sovereign peace around the world. Peace between nations, families. Pray for God to rebuild what the enemy has taken away, in His Holy Name!
- 2. Please pray for continued favor from the Lord on the program growth of Still Waters, and House of Ruth from The Potter's House. God is working and we are excited to be part of it.
- 3. Faculty at Lancaster Mennonite School will be traveling for the 2020 Mennonite Educators Conference in Leesburg, VA February 6-8. Pray for a good time of learning and interaction with teachers and administrators from Mennonite Schools Council schools. Pray also for safe travel for everyone.
- 4. Pray for the persons leading the support groups coordinated through Landis Communities. They serve the whole area and provide help for caregivers with loved ones walking with Memory Loss and Parkinson's Disease.
- 5. Pray for Lea* in East Asia as she continues to teach and interact with students and fellow teachers. Pray that God's light will shine through her and that she will have opportunities to share Him with those she has contact with.
- 6. Pray for favor from the public funding sources of Friendship Community. Pray for wisdom for our leaders in government as they work with the demands of many government-funded programs that impact the lives of many people.
- 7. Pray for Ben and Lena* in Southeast Asia as they minister through business for transformation. Pray that they can share God's love and hope through the relationships they have with those in their community and business.
- 8. Pray for Wendell and Melanie Nofziger in Honduras as they work and minister at Academia Los Pinares Wendell as an elementary school principal and Melanie as a fourth-grade teacher. Join with them in praying for grace to live and speak the gospel truths daily
- 9. The second quarter ends on January 10th at Lancaster Mennonite School. Please pray for both teachers and students during the final week of this quarter.
- 10. Pray for Michael and Laura* in the Middle East as they pioneer in establishing, expanding, and walking beside home fellowships by mentoring the leaders. Pray also that more people in that region will find hope and peace in their lives through reconciliation with God and those around them.
- 11. Pray for administration, faculty, and staff at Lancaster Mennonite School as they begin to prepare for the 2020-21 school year. Pray for wisdom and guidance as they consider innovative curriculum and future needs of students.
- 12. Please pray for LMC as the Credentialing Commission meets today.
- 13. Please pray for Nathan and Valerie* in Southeast Asia; ask for prayers that they will finish their assignment well. Pray that the transition will be smooth as they hand off responsibilities to those who will take over. Pray for peace in the midst of the transitions.
- 14. Pray for Hannah Zimmerman as she prepares to teach the children and youth at the Southeast Asia workers' retreat. Pray for meaningful conversations and that she can be an encouragement to both the children/youth and their parents.
- 15. Pray for STEP as they meet today for their classes.

- 16. Pray that Jan Heindel working in Czech Republic. Pray that she could develop deeper connections at Café Connect and with other students so that they will experience the presence of God. Pray also for personal renewal and refreshment for Jan.
- 17. Pray for Lucy* in the Middle East as she learns the language and works among the local refugee population.
- 18. Pray for the Friendship Community Worship Team as it ministers to local churches. Praise God for the opportunity for people who have intellectual disabilities and autism to use their gifts to honor and praise God.
- 19. Praise God with Timothy and Madison* in Southeast Asia for those who have accepted Christ. Pray for strength for the new believers as some are pressured to give up their faith. Pray that Timothy and Madison can continue to be the hands and feet of Jesus to those in their community.
- 20. Remember the students involved in the Lancaster Mennonite High Musical, Beauty and the Beast, February 27-March 1. Pray that everyone actors and those behind the scenes will enjoy the experience and will feel a sense of accomplishment for well-done performances.
- 21. Please pray for the *Bishop Board* and the *Conference Executive Council* as they will be meeting on February 21st and 22nd in Lancaster PA. Please pray for the leaders and for the Holy Spirit to guide their decisions.
- 22. Pray that Friendship Community can be a model of efficiency, quality, creativity, and integrity in demanding and changing times. Pray that above all else, God be glorified and honored through the ministry of Friendship Community.
- 23. Praise the Lord that Stuart and Amaris Allan and their family as they have settled into their new ministry and family roles in Kenya. Amaris enjoys her work at Kijabe Mission Hospital and Stuart continues developing meaningful relationships as he manages Amani Gardens Inn.
- 24. Pray for Ted and Julie Smoker in Guatemala as they pick up responsibilities again after spending time in the U.S. Pray for the children as they settle back into school and other routines.
- 25. Pray that God would bring His Kingdom to the people in Central Asia, especially in the areas of abuse and domestic violence, and that He would heal wounded hearts. Pray for Elizabeth* as she seeks God's guidance on her part in this work.
- 26. Pray for Eric and Janelle* in Germany as they study language, practice hospitality, and build relationships supporting an international church that serves refugees.
- 27. Pray for wisdom for Angie Earl as she mentors an intern here in the States who is serving with the EMM Christian- Muslim Relations Team until May.
- 28. Pray for the Friendship Community leadership teams pray for wisdom and discernment as they grapple with budgets, regulatory demands and the safety and future of the people served by Friendship.
- 29. We praise the Lord for His work and provision. Please consider praying for LMC staff as they will be preparing and working on the last details for the Celebration Church Life at the beginning of April.

"...but as for me, I watch in hope for the LORD, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me." Micah 7:7

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