Angelus: A Call to Prayer

September 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 continue praying for Omar Guzman, a leader in the Garifuna Church, and an LMC pastor. He has had immigration problems since his trip to Honduras in June 2019. Please for physical and spiritual protection for him and for his family.

2. Please pray for the Fellowship Day event happening at Landis Home. Pray that all the preparations and activities will be a success and that all the events happening will bring great success.

3. Pray for Allen Eshleman in Guatemala as he begins his role as an LMC international partner delegate relating to the K’ekchi’ Mennonite Church in Guatemala. Pray that he would soon be able to reschedule his trip to meet with the church leaders there to encourage them.

4. The Lord is working through the ministry of The Potter’s House and House of Ruth. Please pray for financial blessings for the ministry.

5. Everyone at Lancaster Mennonite School is settling into the new school year amid uncertainty with COVID-19. Pray that this will be a year of growing and learning for students. Pray that faculty will have the wisdom, strength, calmness and patience that allows them to show Christ’s love to their students as they teach and guide them.

6. Pray for the disciple-makers and church planters currently enrolled in Global Disciples’ training programs. Pray that they would go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit to share the Gospel among the least-reached.

7. The theme for Lancaster Mennonite School this year is “Seek Wellbeing” (Jeremiah 29:7). Pray that faculty and students are challenged to be a community that seeks wellbeing by growing as followers of Jesus, becoming better neighbors, and creatively working toward wholeness in our world.

8. Please consider lifting in your prayers the LMC Credential Commission in your prayer as they meet today.

9. Pray for God’s wisdom and discernment for Global Disciples’ leadership teams as they make decisions about the 2021 Annual Equipping Events (AEEs). Pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal how these events should be conducted amidst the uncertainty of COVID-19.

10. Remember the students and coaches involved in the fall sports teams at Lancaster Mennonite School. Pray for good health and safety as they compete and give them the courage to treat teammates and opponents alike with respect and dignity.

11. Pray for John and Debbie Coats in Cambodia as they resume the children's program that many children will hear the good news. Pray also that the children and teachers will remain healthy. Pray for peace and wisdom for John and Debbie as they wait and process when they should take their home leave.

12. Ask for wisdom and discernment for the Global Disciples’ HR team as the hiring freeze is lifted and we seek new staff to join our team.

13. Pray for Michael and Nancy Hostetter as they mentor businessmen and businesswomen who are seeking to conduct their businesses in Christ-like ways, as well as guiding local Chileans in the ministry of planting and leading house churches. Pray also for them as they partner with those working to raise awareness of the childhood sexual abuse crisis in Chile.

14. Pray for the administration and board at Lancaster Mennonite School as they face joys and challenges while working with COVID-19 uncertainty, systems, and policies as they continue to lead and guide faculty, staff, and students.

15. Please pray for Lea* in Asia. She is currently in the U.S. due to travel restrictions to her country of service. Pray for wisdom in discerning future plans.

16. Join Michael and Laura* in prayers in the Middle East in counting their blessings in the midst of disappointments. Two blessings that have come out of the pandemic: Praise the Lord for the unity that He is bringing among
leaders of different ethnic groups; and there is exciting growth in the number of house fellowships as well as transformation in the leaders who are being mentored.

17. Pray for Jade* in the Middle East not to give up as she repeatedly sows, waters, and waits for fruit. Pray for her friend, that she will be responsive to the Father’s love. Pray for creativity for Jade as she does online tutoring.

18. Please pray for the LMC Conference Executive Council as they meet today in Lancaster. Please pray for God’s discernment and His hands guiding this meeting.

19. Please pray for the STEP classes as they start with the first session of the year today. Pray for the teachers and the students that they will be challenged to get to know more about God and that they will sense the Holy Spirit in their lives.

20. Pray for Ben and Lena* in Southeast Asia as they relate to and care for those who work at the water filter factory. Pray that the business can continue to be a blessing to many who get clean water through the filters and that they will give their lives to the One who gives life-giving water.

21. Join Elizabeth* in Central Asia, praying for a revival in her country. It is her desire to be positioned and prepared to partner with God and participate in what He does.

22. Pray for perseverance as Eric and Janelle* in Germany as they continue to learn the language. Pray that they can be a blessing as they support an international church that serves refugees.

23. Pray, please for Skylar and Mia* in Asia as they continue to be in the U.S. as they are not able to get back to their country of service. Pray for peace and wisdom as they seek God’s direction for them.

24. Pray for Owen and Abby* in Southeast Asia, that relationships will continue even while they are away from their village. Pray for the provision of food and finances for many of their friends who are out of work. Continue to pray for health and safety for them, their family, and friends.

25. Please pray for Belize. It is Nathanael and Spring Davis’s desire to equip and encourage the local church leaders to fully embrace the leadership in the church. Pray for wisdom as they mentor and disciple both leaders and members of the church.

26. Please pray for LMC Fall Leadership happening today. Please pray for LMC staff as they prepare to have this event via zoom. Pray for God’s guidance and presence being sense during this meeting.

27. Please pray for Nicholas* in North Africa. He is in the U.S. due to the virus and his visa situation. Pray for wisdom and peace as he processes his future.

28. Pray for Galen and Phyllis Groff in Guatemala as they seek to stay connected with relationships in Belize while being here in the U.S. due to the virus situation. Pray also for ministry opportunities here in the U.S. and for wisdom in planning for the future.

29. Pray for Ethan* as he serves part-time as the regional representative for the work in East Asia. Pray for the workers and ministries that seek to share the Good News that they can offer hope in the midst of challenging times.

30. Pray that God’s will would be done around the world. “Matthew 6:9-11

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.” ~Number 6:24-26

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