

# *Angelus: A Call to Prayer*

July 2021

1. Lancaster Mennonite School will have Summer Open Houses in July. Pray that families considering enrolling their children at LMS will find answers to their questions and concerns as they speak with the administration and faculty.
2. Please pray for all the VBS happening this summer in many churches. Pray that many seeds will be planted in good soil and that the “farmers” will be anointed with God’s love, patience, and wisdom. Ask God to begin preparing the kid’s hearts, softening them, and opening them to take in the “seeds” of God’s Word.
3. We are thankful for the Friendship Community Individuals and Team Members who have received their COVID vaccinations. Pray for good health and strength.
4. Pastors in Cuba ask you to pray for their country because there is a shortage of food, medicine, and that the Lord Jesus Christ can manifest himself in the governmental changes.
5. The churches in the Dominican Republic ask you to pray together with them for the development of new leaders; for the provision and care of the family; by the leading of the Holy Spirit in everything they do; for the extension of the evangelistic work, for the Spiritual restoration in their congregations, for a revival moved by the Holy Spirit and the continuous presence of God in their lives.
6. Pray for safety for maintenance and construction workers at Lancaster Mennonite School as building renovations continue this summer in preparation for unifying three campuses for the 2022-23 school year.
7. Michael and Ruth Hershey serve on the CMRT and help equip others for fruitful relationships with Muslims. Pray for them to continue to grow in prayer and equipping others in prayer as a vital part of the mission.
8. Please pray for Landis Communities’ new effort at providing apartments for persons in the middle income and lower-middle-income range. Construction will soon begin on Landis Place on King, in downtown Lancaster, PA. Pray for safety for those doing the construction as well as for those who are helping fund the inclusion of apartments at affordable rates for many people.
9. Pray for Mike and Roberta Lotvola and their three girls in Germany as they wrap up their assignment and return to the U.S. in August. Pray for good closure and all the transitions in their move.
10. Please pray for The Potter’s House annual Pork Roast Fundraiser on July 17th will be a great time of fellowship and getting to know the community.
11. Pray for Lucy\* as she wraps up her visit here in the US and prepares to head back to her assignment in the Middle East. Pray for comfort as she says goodbye and for peace as she transitions back to her responsibilities.
12. Pray for JC Ebersole in West Africa as he serves as the Executive Director of the Africa Association of Bible Schools. Pray that the various Bible schools can be a good resource and source of encouragement to pastors and leaders.
13. Pray for Sonya Harnish as she settles back into her routines and responsibilities in Albania after a visit to the US. Pray for relationships with those in her community to continue to grow.
14. Please pray for the Credentialing Commission as they meet today. Ask the Lord for discernment as they interview new leaders.
15. Pray for individuals with intellectual disabilities and autism served by Friendship Community who are aging and who may need additional medical care. Pray for resources to meet their needs and wisdom in planning for the next level of care for these individuals.
16. Please pray for the LMC Conference Executive Council as they meet today.
17. The church in Cuba asks that you pray for the church to be strengthened by the Lord during this time and for this situation of scarcity so that their faith does not lack.
18. Pray for Marty and Glenna Sollenberger as they serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators at the International Linguistics Center in Dallas, Texas. Pray for encouragement and perseverance in their roles in information technology and the library.

19. Pray for encouragement and creativity for Brad and Margie\* in the Netherlands as they reach out through an art ministry. Pray for wisdom as they work in leadership development.
20. Pray for John & Jane\* and their family as they prepare to move to France in August. Pray that their visa will come through so they have time to settle in before the children begin school in September. Praise the Lord for Jane's completion of her nurse-midwifery course.
21. Please pray for Mark and Sarah Schoenhals in Thailand. They understand the importance of prayer and it is their desire to grow in prayer – especially corporate prayer – that is strategic and abundant. Pray for the multiplication of disciples and house churches, which is the vision of LEC and the Schoenhals.
22. Pray for Jonas and Hannah\* in Germany as they serve in intercultural church planting and mentoring church planters.
23. 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.
24. Pray for the Friendship Community Individuals and Team Members as their daily lives and routines have changed due to COVID-19. Pray for the Individuals who are not able to participate in community and social events and for those who are returning to work and involvement in the community.
25. Pray for unity among those participating in the house church network and the Businessmen's Christian Fraternity in Chile.
26. Pray for Wendell and Melanie Nofziger as they give leadership to VidaNet in Costa Rica. Pray for grace for the family as they transition into their roles and for friendships for the children.
27. Pray for Mike Baker in his role as a regional representative to West Africa and as he connects with the church leaders and other EMM partners.
28. Pray for the Friendship Heart Gallery, an art program sponsored by Friendship Community in Lancaster City. As the Gallery resumes its on-site activities pray that it will be able to continue to offer opportunities for individuals with disabilities and others to experience creative expression and fulfillment through the arts.
29. Please pray for encouragement to pastors as they serve in many capacities. Ask the Lord to provide spiritually, physically, and emotionally. (Deut.7:9)
30. Pray for Bill and Judy Houser as they relate to the Belize Evangelical Mennonite Church as international partner delegates. Pray for them as they support and encourage church leaders during the challenges of the pandemic.
31. Pray for Austin Zuercher in Costa Rica during his busy summer. Pray for times of refreshment while he comes stateside to attend the Oasis Retreat and then immediately returns to many responsibilities at VidaNet Ministries.

***“In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans...” Romans 8:26***

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