

## **Angelus:** A Call to Prayer

## January 2023

- 1. Proverbs 16:3 "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans."
- 2. Please pray for EMM/LMC week of prayer and fasting that will be happening from January 3 to 6, 2023.
- 3. Pray for LMC pastors that in all things pastors would not lose their joy in the Lord and the work of ministry. May their heart delight in the Lord, the church, and the gospel work. May God make them the man who delights in and treasures the Lord. Pray that the joy of the Lord would be their strength all their days.
- 4. Pray for Mountainside Bible church and its ministries. Pray that their mission and vision will multiply as they go and reach others for Christ.
- 5. As we begin a new year, please pray for the boards associated with Landis Communities as they guide the work of the organization and affiliates who serve more than 1,500 residents and clients.
- The Glen Lapp Memorial Volleyball tournament will be held at Lancaster Mennonite High School on January 7 and 14. Remember the tournament participants and also the family and friends of Glen Lapp (1987 LM Alum) as they celebrate his life and remember his commitment to service in the name of Christ.
- Please continue to lift the LMC Celebration of Church Life event that will be on March 31 to April 1, 2023. Please pray for participation from all the congregations and especially from the different congregations from other language-speaking congregations.
- 8. Pray that we would stay on Mission with Jesus!
- 9. Pray for Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) Learning Circles in New Danville. IDI is a tool to assess and increase intercultural competence within organizations.
- 10. Peter Sensenig and his family are welcoming prayers for the Christians in Chad. Pray that they can communicate the good news of God's great love in Jesus to their Muslim neighbors.
- 11. Lift the LMC Credential Commission into your prayers as they will be meeting today.
- 12. The first semester ends on January 13th at Lancaster Mennonite School. Please pray for both teachers and students during the final week of this semester.
- 13. Pray for IDI Learning Circles in process at the Hub450; STEP; Credentialed Leaders; EMM, as well as conversations with a few bishops about preparing to form new Learning Circles.
- 14. Please pray for the LMC program STEP as students and teachers will be meeting today.
- 15. Pray for Karl McKinney and Tuyen Nguyen working together on intercultural competency and antiracism with LMC.
- 16. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Glenn and June Kauffman as they relate to the Hong Kong Mennonite Church as International Partner Delegates. Pray that they would be able to be a source of encouragement and support as the church navigates a difficult political climate.
- 17. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Lea\* as she serves in East Asia. Pray for her as she reaches out to the teachers she works with. Pray for those who are choosing to follow Christ to have the courage to stay strong in their faith despite the challenges they face.
- 18. Please pray for Dinner Church from New Danville Mennonite Church held at the HUB450. Please ask the Lord for the provision and for volunteers that will help during Tuesday's "service". Pray please for the people who will be joining us that day so they will have their ears open to the Gospel of Jesus.

- 19. Pray for protection and good health for the Friendship Community Individuals and Team Members as well as their families.
- 20. Please pray for the Conference Executive Council as they will be meeting today. Pray for wisdom and discernment as they will be discerning in many decisions for LMC.
- 21. Pray for Mennonite Central Committee partners and staff in Ukraine as they continue to provide relief, food, and care to those who need it.
- 22. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Clara\* as she ministers with her husband in pioneer witness and intercession. Pray that God continues to reveal and draw people to himself in South Asia.
- 23. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Deb Muenstermann as she coordinates the community center, which is located on the first floor of Hub 450. This hospitality center is a place of connection across cultures.
- 24. 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.
- 25. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for continued spiritual protection and physical health for Darrell and Miriam<sup>\*</sup> and their girls as they serve in Germany. Praise the Lord with them that Jesus is drawing in new believers. Pray for growth towards Jesus for them.
- 26. A Winter Open House is scheduled for Lancaster Mennonite School on January 26. Please be in prayer for prospective families as they consider a Jesus-centered LM education for their children.
- 27. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Kandace Glenn as she mentors and disciples young people and helps them grow in their relationship with Jesus. Pray for her physical, emotional, and spiritual health.
- 28. Please pray for the strengthening leadership in our congregations and wise choices for the transitions.
- 29. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Lea\* as she serves in East Asia. Pray for her as she reaches out to the teachers she works with. Pray for those who are choosing to follow Christ to have the courage to stay strong in their faith despite the challenges they face.
- 30. Pray for the LMC Bishop Elder Team as they are making daily decisions in guiding LMC congregations to become a Spirit Led Movement.
- 31. Pray for the Friendship Community ministries. Pray for public funding and other sources. 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.

## [The disciples] joined together <u>constantly in prayer</u>, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers." Acts 1:12-14

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