



# *Angelus: A call to pray*

**May 2023**

1. Please pray for William Higgins, LMC Anabaptist Christian Identity Formation and EMM's discipleship, and leadership development trainer is traveling in West Africa to meet church leaders and to do some teaching..
2. Lancaster Mennonite School has many activities scheduled for the month of May including concerts, Junior-Senior banquet, field trips, field days, and awards ceremonies. Pray that all students and faculty will enjoy these special events while remaining focused on finishing the school year.
3. East Petersburg Mennonite, church in East Petersburg, Pennsylvania with covet prayers for the development of a mission team, the guidance of the leadership team, and the 10 new souls who have joined God's family and started attending East Pete. Aleluya!
4. We praise the Lord for His faithfulness. The LMC office space at 450 N. Prince has been in renovation and finally we have completed.
5. Please pray for the Dinner Church Motley as they face many challenges with location and providing to the needy population around Lancaster City. Pray for pastor Robert Brody for ideas and creativity to find resources and to continue blessing others as they seek Christ in a different way.
6. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in praying for Sonya Harnish as she serves in Albania. Praise the Lord for guiding her in decisions related to her future and for His peace. Pray for the 17 bible school students as they take what they have learned back to their homes, to work, in school, or in other settings. Continue to pray for God's comfort for Sonya and the rest of the team as they grieve the death of a co-worker.
7. Please pray for Willow Street Mennonite Church for their Mobilize! Sunday, May 7th, as together they head out to bless people in the community.
8. Pray for the Friendship Heart Gallery, an art program sponsored by Friendship Community. 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.
9. Pray for those working on Landis Place on King as they put the finishing touches in preparation for the first residents who plan to move in shortly!
10. Please pray for Credential Commissioning as they will be meeting interviewing candidates. Please pray for discernment of the Holy Spirit as the commission meets.
11. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Daryl and Jen Hoover as they serve with their family in Costa Rica. Pray for wisdom and clear direction for their future. Pray for them and the team as they plan for Vida Missions and for adequate staff for current openings.
12. Please pray for the EMM Board's meeting as it will be held at Groffdale Mennonite Church.
13. STEP Classes & Graduation. Please pray for STEP recruitment of instructors and students. Please pray for the classes as they will have the last one of the school year. Pray for those who are in ministry that they will use what they have learned, and pray as well for those graduating that they will sense God calling them to the ministry.
14. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for John and Debbie Coats as they serve in Cambodia. Pray for John as he gives leadership to the after-school children's program and disciples local Christian leaders. Pray for Debbie in her work in public health education.
15. Pray for people in East Africa and Sahel where safety has felt tenuous since the COVID-19 economic downturns. Pray for economic growth, peace and stability in the days ahead.
16. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Kandace Glenn as she ministers to neighbors through arts and crafts

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and Bible studies in Cambodia. Pray for wisdom to answer the tough questions they raise as they study God's word.

17. 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.
18. 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.
19. Please pray for the LMC Conference Executive Council as they meet today.
20. Pray for wisdom and discernment for CEO Mary Ellen Farber, the Executive Leadership Team and the Board of Directors as they grapple with health and safety concerns, budgets, regulatory demands and the future services of the people served by Friendship.
21. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Clara and Vince\* pioneer witness in South Asia. Pray for Clara as she takes language lessons. Ask the Lord to intercede in the visa process for Vince
22. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Evan and Faith\* and their sons as they attend training this summer in preparation for their assignment in Central Asia.
23. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Krystle Thorne as she leaves for an exploratory trip to make plans for housing and other details for her family's upcoming assignment in The Gambia.
24. Please pray for the LMC Districts that are planning to or are already teaching the Discovery Class in their congregations. Pray for wisdom for those that are teaching and for fertile soil for those receiving the class.
25. Lancaster Mennonite High School's Campus Chorale will join with other choirs from the US and Canada at Carnegie Hall on Saturday, May 27. This will be an exciting performance of choral works by various composers. Pray for safety as they travel to/from New York and pray that students perform to the best of their ability while enjoying the whole experience.
26. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Bob and Miriam Phillips as they work in leadership development, evangelism training, and arts outreach with Serge's international teams in The Netherlands.
27. Pray for God to call pioneer church planters into the harvest field and to join the team that are already on the field.
28. Pray for protection and good health for the Friendship Community Individuals and Team Members as well as their families.
29. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Aaron and Katarina Miller in their last two months of ministry in Chile. Ask God for meaningful connections with the people they are ministering to as they begin to prepare to return to North America.
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31. Please continue praying for the LMC staff, Bishops, Credential Commissioning, Pastors and leaders.

***“But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. 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 8:25-27***

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