



Angelus: A call to pray

November 2023

1. Pray for the peace of Israel: *"May those who love you be secure. May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels." For the sake of my brothers and friends, I will say, "Peace be within you." For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your prosperity."*
2. Please pray for the EMM Banquet at Willow Valley Resort today at 6:00 p.m. Please pray for God's multiplication and provision.
3. Remember the students involved in the Lancaster Mennonite performance of *Animal Farm* November 2-4. Pray that everyone – actors and those behind the scenes, will enjoy the experience and feel a sense of accomplishment for well-done performances.
4. EMM Board Meeting joint with LMC Bishop Board and the LMC Conference Executive Council. Pray for guidance as they meet and make important decisions.
5. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Phil Gottschalk's health. Pray for him as he recovers from surgery, prepares for a second surgery, and continues recovery and physical therapy.
6. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in prayer for Angie Earl as she continues to serve with EMM's Christian-Muslim Relations Team. Pray for her as she builds life-giving relationships with Muslims and shares her life with them.
7. Lancaster Mennonite School has a Fall Open House scheduled today. Please be in prayer for prospective families who attend and for administration and admissions staff as they answer questions and encourage families to consider LM.
8. Please pray for the Credentialing Commissioning as they meet today. Pray for God's wisdom as they interview possible Credential Leaders.
9. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in lifting John and Debbie Coates in prayer as they serve in Cambodia. Pray for John as he teaches and disciples local Christian leaders and also oversees an after-school children's program in several villages. Pray for wisdom for Debbie in her involvement in public health education.
10. Pray for the thousands of migrants passing through Mexico from around the world, Mennonite Central Committee staff and partners addressing needs, and pastors and leaders of overflowing shelters who welcome them.
11. Please today for the STEP Program. Pray for the students as they meet for their classes and the instructors for the Lord's heart of teaching as Christ did.
12. Peter Sensenig's upcoming course at the Shalom seminary - that there would be a good connection with the students, and mutual encouragement in mission here in Chad.
13. Christy Sensenig is part of hiring some new midwives at the hospital in Chad, please pray that they would fit in well and alleviate the heavy patient care demands. Pray also for good relationships between the Christian staff and the Muslim community.
14. Thanksgiving for a time of regional retreat with other EMM workers in Morocco at the end of October.
15. Pray for continued energy, enthusiasm, and good health for faculty and students at Lancaster Mennonite School as they enter the excitement of the holiday seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas.
16. Pray with EMM for Tim and Julie Groff as they rest, reflect, and refocus during the last couple of months of their sabbatical. Pray also for the local church leaders in Belize and the continued health of the church while the Groffs are away.
17. Please continue praying for the Friendship Community as they go with their daily challenges.
18. Join EMM in prayer for Jan Heindel as she serves in the Czech Republic. Pray that the students who attended the English camp in the summer would experience God's healing from brokenness and that they would come

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to know Him. Pray also for Jan's good friend in her seeking and journey towards God.

19. Please lift the church planters. Pray for opportunities to build relationships and break down barriers. Pray for the church leaders as they commit their lives to follow Christ.
20. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for William Higgins and the Vietnamese leaders as they study the Gospel of Mark together on Monday evenings via Zoom. Pray for wisdom for William as he schedules teaching trips for 2024. Pray that fundraising would come together well for his new term.
21. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Steve Horst and Bethany Tobin as they serve in Thailand. Join them in praying for key leaders in Life Enrichment Church to gain a vision for the importance of specific youth and young adult ministry. Pray for the Holy Spirit to release gifts for youth ministry and for leaders to empower and support those in youth ministry.
22. Nov. 22 Join EMM in prayer for the documentary film, Unexpected Peace, which is in the finishing stages after more than three years of work. May this film be useful in the Master's hands! Pray for Jonathan Bornman as he travels to a Christian and Muslim dialogue in Paris from November 22 to 26. Pray that he will be a good representative of Jesus.
23. *"Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!"* Psalm 95:1-3
24. Join EMM in lifting Eric and Janelle* in prayer as they serve in Halle, Germany. Pray for them as they focus on neighborhood relationships and outreach, including prayer intercession and an afterschool program.
25. Pray with EMM for Evan and Faith* as they continue to plan for their upcoming assignment in Central Asia. Join in praying for a team leader for their support team.
26. Join EMM in prayer for Southeast Asia. Pray for a new grain silo project that will be used to store the dry rice husk used to make water filters. Praise the Lord for the improvement in sanitation and health for the many people who have been reached through the water filter business.
27. Pray with EMM for strength and hope for immigrant members of the persecuted church whom Darrel and Miriam* minister in Germany. Pray also that seeds of faith would continue to grow in many. Pray for God's provision in all areas for Darrel and Miriam and their daughters.
28. Join EMM in prayer for Alan and Carol Wert as they serve in Wales, U.K. Alan and Carol co-lead a small group with another couple from church and they are preparing to multiply to make another group. Pray for God's leading as they discuss and prepare group arrangements for after the New Year.
29. Pray with EMM for Bob and Miriam Phillips as they serve in the Netherlands. Pray for their work in leadership development, evangelism training, and arts outreach with Serge's international teams.
30. Please pray for the new residents of Landis Place on King as they move into new rental apartments in Lancaster.

"But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. In the same way, the Spirit helps us with our weaknesses. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans..." Romans 8:25-27

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