



Angelus: A call to pray

March 2024

1. “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” ~Matthew 11:28. Please pray this Bible verse for bishops and pastors from **LMC**.
2. Pray for financial provision for **LMC** - that congregations and individuals would be moved to support the mission of making disciples, mobilizing every member as a missionary, and multiplying faith communities.
3. Pray for **William Higgins’** safety and good health while he travels and teaches in Vietnam. Also, pray that the students will receive his teachings in fertile soil and may he has divine appointments during his trip from March 4 to the 15.
4. Pray for the **EMM** and **LMC** team traveling to Florida from March 4 to the 7; as they participate in the Exponential Discipleship Conference. Pray that the Lord will bring fresh ideas to the teams participating. Ask the LORD to watch over the going and coming of their homes.
5. **Peter Sensenig** invites your prayers as he travels to Iran in early March to participate in an interfaith dialogue hosted by an Islamic Institute. Pray for bridges to be built, so that the Messiah Jesus may be faithfully reflected, and that peace will reign rather than enmity.
6. Pray with **EMM** for Jonathan Bornman and the organizers of the Peacemakers Confessing Christ International (PCCI) partnership meeting and conference being planned in Kenya later this summer. Pray that finances and other resources will come together.
7. Parent-teacher conferences will be held March 7 and 8 at **Lancaster Mennonite School**. Pray for parents and faculty as they meet for discussions on the best way to enable each student to learn to the best of their ability.
8. Please pray for the **EMM** Banquet that is going to be held in Sarasota Community Church in Florida. Pray for God's blessing and divine appointments during this event.
9. Please pray for the **STEP**
10. Pray for **STEP** recruitment that the Holy Spirit would highlight those on the margins whom He is calling.
11. From today until March 15 is “World Changers Week” at **Lancaster Mennonite School**. During this week, students will engage in acts of service for our community. Serving others is one of the ways to express the core values of seeking Jesus wholeheartedly and living compassionately. Pray that this event will give students a chance to care, serve, and give as they see themselves as the hands and feet of Jesus, making a positive impact on the world.
12. Pray for the **Bishop Elders Team** as they engage with congregations asking about affiliation. Ask the Lord for discernment and grace as they make affiliation decisions.
13. Lift in prayer the **LMC** Credential and Commissioning as they will meet today.
14. Join **EMM** in prayer for Angie Earl as she serves with the EMM Christian-Muslim Relations Team. Join her in praising God for continued opportunities to share about Jesus with her Muslim friends.
15. Pray for the **LMC** Conference Executive Council as they will be meeting today.
16. Join **EMM** in prayer for Tim and Julie Groff as they pick up responsibilities again after their sabbatical. Pray for their son Simeon as he completes his senior year in Iowa and makes decisions about college.
17. Pray with **EMM** for Karen Hess as she plans an exploratory trip to the Czech Republic in April. Pray for her as she discerns the area in which God is calling her to live and builds connections to the Czech people and culture.
18. Prayer and praise for all the ways God continues to provide for **LMC** financially.

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19. Pray with **EMM** for Steve Horst and Bethany Tobin as they serve with their children in Thailand. Join them in praying that “the light shines in the darkness and the darkness will not overcome it.” Pray that they can be an encouragement to those walking through difficult times. Pray for them as they plan for their sabbatical later this year.
20. Join **EMM** in prayer for Evan and Faith* to find a leader for their Missionary Support Team. Pray for clarity on the timing of their move to Central Asia
21. Please pray for **Mennonite Central Committee** peace workers in Africa to continue to have courage and strength; and to see hope in God’s hands amidst the ongoing conflict and trauma.
22. Pray with **EMM** for Eric and Janelle* as they minister in their community and church through prayer, leading worship and small groups, hosting people in their homes, and working at a school. Praise the Lord that the children are doing well in school.
23. Join **EMM** in prayer for Bob and Miriam Phillips as they serve in the Netherlands. Pray for encouragement and perseverance as they minister in their church, neighborhood, and city.
24. Pray with **EMM** for Stacy and Vojta Prknovi as they serve with their daughters in the Czech Republic. Lift them in prayer as they relate to their team in their role as regional representatives for Eastern and Central Europe. Pray also for Vojta as he serves with the prison ministry.
25. Join **EMM** in prayer for Timothy and Madison* as they continue to work in the water filter business and mentor the employees in Southeast Asia. Ask God to bring living water to people's lives. Pray for health and good relationships for their children.
26. Pray with **EMM** for Darrel and Miriam* as they continue to serve in their community and in the church in Germany. May God continue to draw people to Himself. Pray for their children in school and in their friendships.
27. Pray for Middle School students on March 27 and 28 at **Lancaster Mennonite School** as they perform *Peter Pan*. Pray that everyone - actors and those behind the scenes - will enjoy the experience and will feel a sense of accomplishment for well-done performances.
28. Join **EMM** in prayer for John and Debbie Coats as they walk alongside and mentor the teachers for the after-school children's programs. Pray for wisdom for Debbie in her work with public health education.
29. Pray with **EMM** for Bill and Judy Houser as they relate to the Belize Evangelical Mennonite Church as LMC international partner delegates. Pray for them as they support and encourage church leaders.
30. Pray with **EMM** for Leon and Naomi Zimmerman as they continue to travel and teach about marriage. Pray for wisdom and discernment to model and teach marriage well.
31. Join **EMM** in praising the Lord for the early but safe arrival of John and Jeanette Puckett’s daughter Maria. Pray that she will continue to develop and be released to go home. Pray for John and Jeanette to meet their fundraising goals for their new assignment in Cambodia.

“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.*