



Angelus: A call to pray

September 2024

1. *“David said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.” 1 Samuel 17:45* Please pray for all the challenges the church faces today.
2. Everyone at Lancaster Mennonite School is settling into the new school year. Pray that this will be a year of growing and learning for students. Pray that faculty will have the wisdom, strength, calmness, and patience that allow them to show Christ’s love to their students as they teach and guide them.
3. Pray with EMM that Kandace Glenn would find refreshment and renewal during her home leave. Pray that she would experience meaningful connections with family, friends, and supporters.
4. Join EMM in prayer for Jan Heindel and her church to find ways to follow up with students who attended English camps in the Czech Republic. Ask God to open doors for fall ministry opportunities, including a way to connect more with people in Dobříš, the town in which the church plant is located.
5. Pray with EMM for wisdom for Daryl and Jen Hoover as they mentor VidaNet staff in Costa Rica. Pray for Jedidiah and Adam as they begin a new school year.
6. Join EMM in prayer that Steve Horst and Bethany Tobin will be refreshed and renewed during their sabbatical in Thailand. Pray for Steve as he enjoys music and takes seminary classes, and for Bethany as she explores art ministry.
7. Pray with EMM for Clara* as she teaches English and supports her students through the difficulties they face. Pray for strength and spiritual protection for her and her husband, Vince*, as they continue to support and disciple those in their church.
8. Join EMM in prayer for Gerry and Donna Keener as they train and equip church leaders in Vietnam and other international locations. May God give them wisdom as they develop a curriculum for post-high school learners.
9. Pray with EMM for Eric and Janelle* and their church as they enter into a season of change and look for a different building to meet. Pray they learn to trust God in deeper ways and lovingly navigate ethnic and cultural barriers in Germany.
10. Join EMM in prayer that Bob and Miriam Phillips will be filled with God’s strength and will joyfully serve him.
11. Please pray for the Credential Commissioning as they will be meeting today. As the Lord to bring the humble leaders to be credentialed and guide their churches.
12. Pray for the churches seeking to join LMC. Also, pray for those who have committed to the transition and those still seeking God’s direction.
13. Please pray for all those volunteering and attending Fellowship Days at Landis Homes tomorrow. Proceeds from the event provide funds for the Caring Fund, supporting residents who have exhausted their financial resources.
14. Please lift the STEP program in your prayers. Pray for the students and the facilitators. Ask God for their time learning and preparing assignments so that they will be prepared to their class.
15. Remember the students and coaches involved in the fall sports teams at Lancaster Mennonite School. Pray for good health and safety as they compete and give them the courage to treat teammates and opponents alike with respect and dignity.
16. Pray with EMM for Stacy and Vojta Prknovi and their daughters as they have recently returned to the Czech Republic after home leave in the U.S. Pray for a smooth transition back to responsibilities and relationships.

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17. Join EMM and Binsa* in praising the Lord that a family with whom she has shared over the years has begun to appreciate the message of God's love. Continue to pray for them. Pray for the plans to hold an Alpha course this fall for youth.
18. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions (EMM) in prayer, asking that Angie Earl will faithfully represent Jesus in her relationships with non-believers. That she may be a witness to God's way of peace.
19. Pray with EMM for Jennifer Weaver as she prepares to attend the Europe regional retreat in October. Pray for safe travels and good connections with potential ministry partners during this trip.
20. Please pray for the LMC Conference Executive Council (CEC) as they will be meeting today. Pray for the council that they will be guided by the Holy Spirit in their decisions.
21. Join EMM in prayer for Austin and Griselda Zuercher as they serve in Honduras. Pray that Griselda can be a healing presence to hurting mothers connected with El Nido. Pray for Austin as he completes his social work practicum and Griselda in her second year studying psychology.
22. Join EMM in praying for Peter Sensenig and Christy Harrison as they serve in Chad. Pray for wisdom and strength for Christy as she provides nursing and midwifery care in the hospital. May God continue to use Peter in his work at the seminary and as he gives talks and seminars on peacebuilding.
23. Pray for the Friendship Community leadership teams – pray for wisdom and discernment as they grapple with health and safety concerns, budgets, regulatory demands, and the future of the people served by Friendship.
24. Give thanks for the food service director and staff at Lancaster Mennonite School. They work tirelessly every day to provide tasty, nutritious, and safe lunches. Pray for good health and safety for each person who helps prepare and serve the lunches.
25. Praise God for the partnership between Mennonite Central Committee and Indonesian Mennonite Synods as they cooperate to select participants and build meaningful young adult exchange placements.
26. Pray for the new executive director at The Potter's House, Robert Schoonover. Robert's passion for Jesus and his passion for seeing individuals with addiction issues find freedom will take Potter's House to a new level of effective ministry.
27. Please lift LMC and resource partner organization's first EXPO celebrating their support at Weaverland Anabaptist Faith Community. Pray for the people to be able to experience a great fellowship.
28. Please pray for LMC's Fall Leadership Assembly being held today at Weaverland. Pray for God's presence during the assembly.
29. 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.
30. Please pray for new pastoral leadership for Aurora (Ohio) Mennonite Church, beginning October 1, 2024. We are asking God to provide his chosen leader for our congregation.

“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

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