

## **Angelus:** A call to pray

## March 2025

- 1. Please pray for the Youth Leaders Retreat, which will conclude today. Pray that the Lord renews their strength, fosters the creation and development of new relationships, and that they have a wonderful time as they envision the future of their ministry.
- 2. The South Texas congregations of South Central District met with Bishop Adalberto on Saturday, March 1, to continue the "on-boarding" process as new participants in LMC. Pray for understanding and inspiration as they gathered, worshiped, learned, and prayed together.
- 3. Pray for the young adult participants of Mennonite Central Committee's SALT (Serving and Living Together) program as they serve alongside MCC partners worldwide.
- 4. Pray for the team at Welsh Mountain Home as they continue providing Personal Care for persons with modest financial resources. Many with Intellectual Disabilities and/or early stages of Dementia. Seven recently renovated rooms will be opening in April, pray that residents will be found for these rooms.
- 5. Please pray for Blue Ridge District as they would appreciate prayers for some pastoral transitions, searches, and attempts to fill some openings at the churches expanding their ministries. Appreciate prayer as well for new ministries that are emerging and the ongoing formation of their district. They are learning and trusting God's lead.
- 6. Parent-teacher conferences will be held March 6 and 7 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.
- 7. Pray for God's provision for John and Debbie Coats and the many other people in their village whose wells are drying up due to overpumping in the dry season in Cambodia. Pray for reconciliation and healing for a teacher and his wife, who are separated.
- 8. One District Gathering for Prayer. Today, Saturday morning, March 8, the LanChester, New Danville, and Willow Street-Strasburg districts are holding a joint resourcing event at Strasburg MC for all pastors and elders. Pray for the Lord to bless them as they seek His face.
- 9. Pray for God to provide continued rest, refreshment, and refocusing for Michael Clancy during his sabbatical.
- 10. March 10-14 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.
- 11. Pray for Tim and Julie Groff as they relate to many people through Bible studies, visiting people who are homebound, youth groups, and discipleship. Pray for the necessary funds to come in for their ministry in Belize.
- 12. Please pray for LMC Credentialing Commissioning as they meet today. Please pray for the leaders being interviewed for peace and clarity as they answer the Credentialing Commissioning interview.
- 13. Please pray for the Potter's House Spring banquet today, March 13 as we celebrate this Addiction Recovery and Discipleship Ministry. This is our primary fundraiser for 2025.
- 14. Please pray for Joe Garber and Stephen Gibbs as they will be leading an Interface Seminar on March 14, 15 at Zion Mennonite in Birdsboro, PA. Please pray that the pastors and leaders who attend will be moved by the Holy Spirit to see mission at the center of everything!

- 15. Remember the students and coaches involved in the spring 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 for wisdom for the Bishop Elder Team as they give direction to LMC.
- 17. Please pray for the East Petersburg Mennonite Church (EPMC) Leadership Team (4 elders, 2 pastors) as they had their annual Leadership Team Retreat on Saturday, March 1st. Also, pray for a group of 5 leaders who will be traveling to Orlando FL for the Exponential Global conference March 17th -20th.
- 18. Prayer for those who are preparing for the LMC Fall Leadership Assembly in September.
- 19. Pray for participants to register for the EMM Spring Kairos Course on March 22 to be held at Parkview Mennonite Church in Reamstown, Pa. Pray for the Holy Spirit to expand each participant's worldview of what it looks like to be on mission with God both locally and globally
- 20. Pray for Karen Hess as she continues to settle in, learn the language, and develop friendships in the Czech Republic. Pray for God's peace and comfort during the many transitions.
- 21. Pray for the LMC staff as they work diligently to support leaders and congregations.
- 22. Please pray for the Conference Executive Council as they will meet today. Please pray for their meeting and for the decisions to be made.
- 23. Pray for Nate and Krystle Thorne as they train the local church leaders in leadership and church development. Pray also as they oversee the interns and advanced participants who are serving alongside them in The Gambia.
- 24. Pray for the new South Central District as they discern a team of Bishops to lead their District into God's intended future with LMC.
- 25. Pray for Steve Horst and Bethany Tobin as they encourage and work to build up Isaan leaders as they reach out to the Isaan community. Pray for new recruitment and training initiatives.
- 26. Please pray for God's provision of funds for the Cedar Street Mennonite Church in Chambersburg to build a daycare. Ask the Lord that multiplies for His generous hand blessing the funds at the Cedar Street Mennonite Church.
- 27. Please pray for Peter Sensenig and his family as they prepare for their upcoming home assignment. Pray for his children's school as they were willing to work with them as they will be missing 3 months of school. Pray also for their time here visiting and speaking with different churches. Pray that they will be mutually encouraged during their visit.
- 28. Pray for Evan and Faith\* as they finalize their Mission Support Team and continue to prepare for their assignment in Central Asia.
- 29. Pray that Bob and Miriam Phillips will be filled with God's strength and will persevere in sharing Christ with those who do not know him in the Netherlands.
- 30. Pray for John and Jeanette Puckett as they are immersed in learning the Khmer language. Pray for their children in school and in their relationships with those in their community in Cambodia.
- 31. Pray for Timothy and Madison\* as they give leadership at a water filtration business in Southeast Asia. Pray for continued opportunities to share Jesus with those around them.

"Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years!

Then, when he prayed again, the sky sent down rain and the earth began to yield its crops."