

Angelus: A call to pray

July 2025

- 1. "..."Now, our God, hear the prayers and petitions of your servant. For your sake, Lord, look with favor on your desolate sanctuary. Daniel 9:17
- 2. July begins a new Fiscal Year for Landis Communities. Please give a prayer of thanksgiving to all who have financially supported Landis Communities and its affiliates in the past, and that they are able to continue providing gifts of prayer, time and finances in the year to come.
- 3. Pray for Mennonite Central Committee's partners in Myanmar who struggle for survival amidst unrest. Pray for their safety and wisdom as they deliver humanitarian support to those in need.
- 4. Please pray for Yellow Creek MYF as they travel to Malone University for ReGen 2025, July 3-7. Pray for a fulfilling week and an amazing experience.
- 5. Praying for revival in churches- "Ephesians 5:14" This is why it is said: "Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."
- 6. Praying for the men from New Persons Ministries in Reading and Lancaster that they be surrounded by a faith community, find suitable jobs, and long-term housing.
- 7. Please pray for God to raise up a new generation of young adult leaders. Ask the Lord to stir hearts with a passion for His Kingdom, to equip them with wisdom and courage, and to open doors for them to step into leadership with humility and vision. Pray for mentors and communities to surround and support them as they grow in faith and calling.
- 8. Please pray for the Hispanic Shalom Council District. Lift up the pastors, leaders, and congregations as they seek to live out God's shalom in their communities. Pray for unity, strength, and fresh vision as they serve faithfully. Ask the Holy Spirit to empower them with wisdom, encouragement, and boldness to share the love of Christ in meaningful and transformative ways.
- 9. Please keep the Credentialing Commissioning team in prayer as they meet this Wednesday. Pray for discernment, wisdom, and the leading of the Holy Spirit as they consider and affirm individuals for ministry. Ask God to bless the process with clarity, unity, and a deep sense of His presence and purpose.
- 10. Join EMM in prayer for Binsa* as she continues to build meaningful connections with the Buddhist and Hindu communities. Ask for God's wisdom, protection, and boldness as she shares His love and truth across cultural and spiritual boundaries.
- 11. Pray for Hershey Mennonite Church and their Pastor Joe Lab on a pastoral sabbatical from June to August..
- 12. Join Eastern Mennonite in prayer for Kandace Glenn as she continues language learning and deepens friendships in Cambodia. Ask God to give her discernment and compassion as she walks alongside students seeking purpose and a relationship with Jesus.
- 13. Pray with EMM that Will and Nina* would shine God's light wherever they go. May their family be strengthened in love, their hearts refreshed daily, and their ministry be filled with grace and growth.
- 14. Please pray for Leon and Naomi Zimmerman, who, along with Kebede Bekere of MKC in Ethiopia, are writing and editing a marriage curriculum for use in MKC and beyond. They hope to finish the initial editing by the end of summer. Some parts of the curriculum are already in use in Ethiopia and Kenya.
- 15. Remember Lancaster Mennonite School administration and staff as a new school year begins next month. Pray that any remaining open positions will be filled and that everyone will experience a sense of anticipation and hope for the upcoming year.

- 16. Pray for the new leaders at LMC who are being called into bishop roles. Pray for their transition, their congregation, and their families in this season of change. Thank God for their response to God's call on their lives.
- 17. Please pray for the LMC Conference Executive Council as they meet on July 18. Ask the Lord to guide their conversations and decisions with wisdom, unity, and clarity. Pray that they would be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit as they discern the direction God is calling LMC during this season.
- 18. Please pray for Yellow Creek MYF as they travel to Malone University for ReGen 2025, July 3-7. Pray for a fulfilling week and an amazing experience.
- 19. Praise God that the curriculum writing with Meserete Kristos Church (MKC) is going well. These weeks we are editing the eighth of ten modules. Pray for us (Kebede, Naomi, and me) as we finish writing and editing these lessons. We are currently working on some complicated modules. To give you an idea of the extent of this curriculum, each of the 10 modules has 4-6 lessons, which comes to over 50 lessons.
- 20. Join EMM in asking God to bless Darrel and Miriam* as they pastor an international church in Western Europe. Pray for wisdom in leadership, unity among diverse cultures, and open doors to reach immigrants with hope and love.
- 21. Praying for revival in churches- "Ephesians 5:14 "This is why it is said: "Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." NIV
- 22. Praying for the men from New Persons Ministries in Reading and Lancaster that they be surrounded by a faith community, find suitable jobs, and long-term housing.
- 23. Please continue to pray for funding for the daycare project at Cedar Street Mennonite Church. Praises: The building that once occupied the space where the daycare will go is gone!
- 24. Pray for people to respond to God's call and invitation to be trained in the STEP program. STEP orientation is scheduled for August 16.
- 25. Pray with EMM for Michael and Laura* as they serve faithfully. May their hands be strengthened for every task, their words be seasoned with grace, and their lives reflect Christ's joy in every interaction.
- 26. July 27-31 Pray for Welsh Mountain Christian Fellowship as they host their annual Vacation Bible School for adults and children. They can use their large new fellowship hall for the first time.
- 27. Please lift up the LMC staff and leadership in prayer as they seek God's guidance in planning for the Fall Leadership Assembly. Pray that the Holy Spirit would grant them wisdom, clarity, and direction to align with God's will.
- 28. Pray with EMM for Tim and Julie Groff as they partner with Garifuna churches in Belize. Ask God to deepen relationships, raise strong leaders, and guide the youth movement with vision and spiritual fire.
- 29. Join EMM for Phil & Linda Gottschalk as they teach in the Netherlands and Romania this year. Ask God for continued healing after recent surgeries, strength for their teaching roles, and grace as they support the R10 Ukrainian church.
- 30. Lancaster Mennonite School invites interested families to schedule a personal tour of the school during the summer. Pray that families considering a Jesus-centered education at LMS will find answers to their questions and concerns as they speak with administration and staff.
- 31. Pray for the pastors, ministry leaders & families in the LanChester, New Danville, and Willow Street-Strasburg Districts who gather for their annual picnic this evening.

"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." James 5:17-18

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