



Angelus: A call to pray

August 2025

1. *"..I called out to the LORD, out of my distress, and He answered me; out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and You heard my voice.. Jonah 2:1*
2. Please pray that mission-driven people who desire to care for residents and clients would choose to work at **Landis Communities**. Workers who view employment as more than a paycheck are crucial as we strive to follow God's call to creatively serve the diverse needs and interests of older adults by developing opportunities and collaborative relationships, and by honoring and enriching the lives of aging adults and their families within communities of Christ-like love.
3. The **Millersville Mennonite Church leadership team (Bridge Team)** is praying and discussing how to increase and grow prayer in their church and has come up with several ideas. They are committed to making this a main topic for discernment and discussion at our next several meetings. Please continue to pray for the Bridge Team and our congregation to deepen our love for prayer.
4. Please pray for the **Kairos program** that will be held at **EMM** from the 4 to the 8th. Pray that the Lord will bless the participants with the rich knowledge of the Lord's heart for the unreached people. This will be an intense class of 5 days.
5. Remember **Lancaster Mennonite School** administration and staff as a new school year begins this 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.
6. Please keep Pastor Felix Rocha and the **Evangelical Garifuna Church of New Orleans** in your prayers as they prepare for an upcoming family church retreat where other Garifuna Churches will participate. Pray that God's favor would rest upon them, bringing transformation, healing, and renewal to every life that participates.
7. Please pray for wisdom and discernment for the **leaders of our nation**, that they may lead with integrity, justice, and compassion.
8. Please pray for the **EMM Board** as they will be meeting today.
9. Please pray that God would **raise up more missionaries** to reach those who have not yet heard the Gospel. May hearts be stirred with compassion and obedience to go where the need is greatest.
10. Pray for the **new congregations** that are joining LMC that they will be welcome and that LMC will be able to resource and encourage them on their journey. Pray for healing and wisdom for their leaders during this transition.
11. Please continue to pray for funding for the daycare project at **Cedar Street Mennonite Church**. Praises: Our best "evangelist" for the project is a dear lady in her 90's! Aleluya!
12. Pray for young adult participants in **Mennonite Central Committee's International Volunteer Exchange Program** as they begin 11 months of service, learning, and growth in their new settings in the U.S.
13. Please pray for **LMC's credentialing** process as they meet today. Ask for God's wisdom and guidance for the leadership as they walk alongside individuals discerning their call to ministry. Pray that each candidate would experience clarity, encouragement, and the affirmation of their gifts as they take this important step in their journey.
14. Join **EMM** in prayer for Michael and Ruthy* as they minister with Immerse International. Pray for them to experience meaningful moments with their family this summer.
15. Please pray for the **LMC Bishop Board**. Ask the Lord for His wisdom as they meet today.

16. Please pray for the **STEP Orientation and Alumni Reunion** as they will be meeting today.
17. Pray with **EMM** for Alexander and Maria* to have opportunities to share Christ as they work in the fields of education and business in Central Asia.
18. August 18-20 is a time for staff development at **Lancaster Mennonite School**. Remember the faculty as they prepare for a successful school year and pray for wisdom and strength as they teach and model the life and teachings of Christ for their students each day.
19. Join **EMM** in asking God to encourage John and Debbie Coats as they minister through public health education, discipleship, and children's ministry.
20. Pray with **EMM** for Jon and Heleen Yoder as they plan their next trip to Sierra Leone this fall and invite others to join them on the trip. They ask for discernment regarding Jon's future involvement with the hospital.
21. Remember **Lancaster Mennonite students** and faculty as they begin the new school year on August 21. Pray that anxious students are welcomed and feel a sense of calmness, and are excited and prepared for a good year.
22. Join **EMM** and Jonathan Bornman in asking God to provide new financial supporters who make his ministry with EMM possible.
23. Pray with **EMM** for A* and A* as they return to Morocco this month. Ask God to continue to renew and refresh them.
24. Pray with **EMM** for Angie Earl as she builds relationships with muslims and people of varying faith backgrounds in her community. Pray that she would have ample opportunity to share her faith.
25. Pray with **EMM** for Michael Clancy as he serves with his family in Lebanon City, PA. Pray that he would be encouraged and strengthened.
26. Join **EMM** and J.C. Ebersole is praying that God would raise up African teams that will support their national AABS leaders with prayer and financial support.
27. Please pray for **Friendship Communities** as they continue their mission of supporting individuals with intellectual disabilities. Pray for strength and encouragement for the staff, joy and well-being for the residents, and for God's provision and guidance in every aspect of their work.
28. Join **EMM** and Michael and Nancy Hostetter in praying that the Lord would continue to encourage our brothers and sisters in their efforts to share the gospel message of hope with their friends and family. Pray for spiritual protection for those who have recently made confessions of faith as they begin their walk with Christ.
29. Join **EMM** and Sonya Harnish in praying for open hearts for the Albanian children and youth attending Summer Camps at Kampi Udhekryq (Crossroads). Ask for unity and strength for the summer staff as they serve the groups coming to camps! Pray for refreshment and good connections as she takes a month of home leave in the U.S. in August.
30. Please pray for **Mennonite Life** as they seek a new executive director. Pray for wisdom, unity, and discernment for the search committee, and that God would lead the right person to this important role.
31. Please pray for the LMC **Fall Leadership Assembly** (Sept. 24-27). Please pray for the preparation, speakers, seminars, travel, and attendees. Pray for the anointing of the Holy Spirit to be among us.

"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

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