

Angelus: A call to pray

January 2026

1. *Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.* Roman 12:12.
2. Please lift up in prayer La Iglesia Casa de Oración in Wilmington, North Carolina, for their own building. The place where they are currently meeting does not allow them the freedom to function as a church. Please pray for a new building for them.
3. Pray for Mennonite Central Committee church partners in Egypt supporting displaced people with health support for young mothers, emergency food vouchers for those without income, and education opportunities for children.
4. 5-9 LMC & EMM Fasting and Prayer Week.
5. Please pray for LMC as they navigate organizational transitions. Ask the Lord to provide His light and wisdom to the organization as they adjust to these changes. We also ask for prayer for the Bishop Elder Team as they provide leadership during this time.
6. Please pray for those Hispanic churches that are being persecuted. Pray that the Lord will lift intercessors for the church in general and that the enemy will not have control on politics and let the Lord's church get closer to Him.
7. Praises from Peter Sensenig for his book tour in the United States was a success, with events in four states. He is happy to be back with his family. He and his family are also celebrating having had many positive interactions with Sudanese refugees in France.
8. Landis Communities turns 15 years old this year. Please pray for those who serve on the board of the organization as they give guidance and direction for the work of following God's call to creatively serve the diverse needs and interests of older adults by developing opportunities and collaborative relationships.
9. Join EMM in praising the Lord for the Southeast Asia team members, who are from all over the world, including Central and South America, Canada, and the U.S. Pray for them as they utilize the wide variety of skill sets that they possess in various countries, including Vietnam, Cambodia, and Thailand.
10. The 16th Annual Glen Lapp Memorial Volleyball tournament will be held at Lancaster Mennonite High School on January 10 and 11. Remember the tournament participants and also the family and friends of Glen Lapp (1987 LM Alum) as they celebrate his life and remember his commitment to service in the name of Christ.
11. Pray with EMM for the right individuals to join Jeremy and Jennifer's* ministry for displaced refugees in Thailand. Many people have crossed the border with Myanmar, escaping 80 years of civil war. Pray for the right partners to emerge as they provide holistic support to refugees that provides healing to their bodies, minds, and souls.
12. Pray for Joe and Yvonne as they have had their IPD trip rescheduled from December 2025 to January 13-26, 2026. Pray for the development of the schedule as conversations are taking place with the Tanzania Mennonite Church leadership. Our hope is to be a relational blessing with those whom the Lord brings us into fellowship so that the Kingdom of God may be put on display through our lives.
13. Pray with EMM for the regional retreat at the end of March. Pray that it would be a positive and impactful time together as a team.
14. Please pray for the Credentialing Commission as they meet today. Pray for discernment and encouragement for the commissioning and the pastors being interviewed.

15. The first semester ends on January 15th at Lancaster Mennonite School. Please pray for both teachers and students during the final week of this semester.
16. Please pray for the Bishop Board meeting so that the Holy Spirit will guide every conversation and decision, give them wisdom and unity, as they seek God's will for LMC.
17. Please pray for the STEP program so God will guide the facilitators and participants, strengthen their commitment, and use this program to form faithful, Spirit-led servants for His church.
18. Join EMM and Jan Heindel in prayer for a smooth transition back to Prague and reengagement there. Pray for conversations with pastors about how she can partner with them to provide spiritual care for others.
19. A Youth Group Night Out is scheduled for Lancaster Mennonite School on January 16. Please pray for a meaningful time of worship, fun and food as youth groups and leaders gather together.
20. Pray with EMM and Jon and Heleen Yoder for God would call mature believers to Sierra Leone to support local Christians with Bible teaching and discipleship.
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22. Join EMM and J.C. Ebersole in prayer for a ministry working among the Makua tribe in Mozambique, a large, formerly unreached, Muslim group, has planted hundreds of churches. They are seeking collaboration with All-nations Association of Bible Schools to begin four Bible training centers. Pray that God will provide the venues, teachers, finances, and everything needed to start these schools.
23. Join EMM and Tim and Julie Groff in praising God that they had a safe trip to Honduras and were able to connect with fellow missionaries there. Through the training they received, pray that local church members find new vision for connecting with neighbors and family who need to experience the transformational power of the Spirit.
24. Pray with EMMs and Peter Sensenig and Christy Harrison for open doors for Chad, and for wisdom for the future. Pray also for a seminar that Peter is teaching this month at their French church about reaching out to Muslims.
25. Join EMM in prayer for the 5 Advance participants and 2 Doorways program participants who have joined the team in Thailand. Pray for the additional team members who will join through the Doorways program in northeast Thailand.
26. Please pray for our pastors; for renewed strength, wisdom, and spiritual clarity. May God protect their hearts and families, guide their leadership, and fill them with peace and grace as they serve.
27. Please pray for the Credentialing Commission as they are meeting today for the second time this month. Pray for wisdom and clarity as the commission will be interviewing new
28. Join EMM and Jennifer Weaver in prayer as she wraps up her life well in the U.S. and for a good transition to France. Join her in thanking God for an opportunity to connect with YWAM Provence.
29. Join EMM and Phil and Linda Gottschalk in praising the Lord that they are able to teach at the Baptist Theological Institute in Bucharest, Romania. Pray for Linda as she teaches church history, and for Phil as he teaches theology and ethics.
30. As we conclude the first month of this new year, I invite you to pray for the LMC Bishop, Elder Team, and staff as LMC seeks to become a more Spirit-led movement. Please also pray for wisdom, unity, and grace through the transitions that will continue to take place.
31. *"In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:4-5*

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