



Angelus: A call to pray

April 2026

1. *Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.* Roman 12:12.
2. Pray for the Bishop Executive Team as they engage with congregations asking for affiliation. Ask the Lord for discernment and grace as they make affiliations discernment.
3. Today, the 1719 Museum-Mennonite Life, featuring the 1719 Herr House and the Lancaster Longhouse, will be open for tours on Fridays and Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. through October. The museum will also be open for field trips throughout the week. Please pray for this to be a successful event.
4. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Steve and Bethany Horst as they serve with their family in Thailand. Pray for them as they balance different projects and invest in different aspects of their team vision. For God's wisdom, energy, and direction.
5. Please join us in prayer as we prepare for Assembly 26 in June. Pray for wisdom, unity, and discernment for all leaders and teams involved in the planning process. Ask the Lord to guide every detail, from logistics to spiritual preparation, so that this gathering reflects His purposes.
6. Jon Byler would value prayers for Nyambura (Mama Joshua-his wife) as she was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and will be starting chemo next week.
7. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions and Jeremy and Jennifer* in prayer for a successful EMM Southeast Asia annual retreat. Pray that all the details come together well, and that the session speakers connect deeply with their hearts. Pray for meaningful connections, safety, and refreshment for the group.
8. Please pray for the Credentialing Commission as they meet today. Pray for discernment and encouragement for the commissioning and the pastors being interviewed
9. Please pray for the Lebanon District. Please lift Lew Wagner and Omar Guzman as they oversee to the seven churches in that area.
10. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Phil & Linda Gottschalk as they confirm assignments and duties for their next three-year term as non-resident workers based in Lancaster, PA. They will continue to teach online via video chat with the Baptist Theological Institute here in Bucharest, Romania. Phil will also work with EMM's Christian-Muslim Relations Team.
11. Please pray for the STEP program. Please keep the instructor and students in your prayers as they continue with their classes.
12. Please pray for the Evangelical Garifuna Mission, a district of LMC. Please pray for bishop Omar Guzman as he oversees this district. Please pray for wisdom and provision to the leadership team
13. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions, Mark and Sarah Schoenhals, and their family in prayer for the fairly new Life Enrichment Church in Sisaket province, as they undergo administrative and ministry shifts, and begin relating more directly to EMM Thailand.
14. Pray with Eastern Mennonite Missions for Krystle and Nate Thorne as they serve with their family in The Gambia. Pray for them as they mentor the two young women, Therese and Anna, who are living with them during their school year.
15. Please pray for the Woman Garifuna Retreat with all the woman leadership in October. Pray for the planning and the preparation for the event to be guided by the Holy Spirit.
16. Please pray for the Millersville Mennonite Church congregation as they seek God's direction and will for the future of their church.
17. For Hope Community Church, please pray for clarity for our leadership team as they lead in mission and vision. Pray for an additional person for our leadership team as well as for the formation of a new

- believer's baptism class and wisdom for the areas of prayer and discipleship specifically. Pray for insight and wisdom for pastors Kevin and Nan Kanagy as they navigate both personal and church life for the glory of God! Also, please pray for the newly engaged couples within the congregation that their lives would be fixed and focused on Jesus.
18. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions and Karen Hess that God would grant her wisdom as she disciples and mentors some young women in the Czech Republic.
 19. Please join us in prayer as we prepare for YouCon (Youth) at the Assembly 26 in June. Pray for wisdom, unity, and discernment for all leaders and teams involved in the planning process. Ask the Lord to guide every detail, from logistics to spiritual preparation, so that this gathering reflects God's purposes.
 20. Thank God for the gift of connection, asking for blessings of unity, and requesting support for building a strong, loving community that reflects grace at Friendship Community.
 21. Please pray for the churches around LMC that are in need of a pastor. Pray that the Lord will bring the right person to lead the community of faith.
 22. 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 participants.
 23. Pray for the LMC Children and Youth ministry around all the LMC churches, locally and outside of the United States. Pray that the Lord will renew their strength.
 24. Pray for God's faithful provision over LMC, that every financial need would be met according to His abundance. Ask the Lord to grant wisdom and discernment to leaders as they steward resources, and to the move of the Holy Spirit within our community so the ministry can continue to grow and serve effectively.
 25. Please pray for Lancaster Mennonite School as they will host today's Spring Open House. Pray that there will be great connections and more open opportunities for new students to attend LMS.
 26. Pray for the Friendship Community ministries. Pray for public funding and other sources. 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.
 27. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions in praising God for a continuing good connection that Vojta and Stacy Prknovi and their family have with the local church they are members of, while also planting a house church in the Czech Republic.
 28. Please pray for different LMC staff that will be traveling for different activities next month. Give thanks as well for the divine appointment that has already happened.
 29. Please pray for Lancaster Mennonite School staff, and teachers as they seek the Spirit to transform the students' life spiritually and academically.
 30. Remember, in northern Bangladesh, Mennonite Central Committee, partner Caritas Bangladesh, and Garo and Koach ethnic minority communities, implement farming projects amid water insecurity, and educational support for children staying in mission hostels.

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