



Angelus: A call to pray

October 2026

1. *"Pray also for me [LMC pastors], that whenever [we] speak, words may be given [us] so that [we] will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel."* ~Ephesians 6:19 Use this Bible verse to pray that the LMC pastor's ministry is fruitful and that the community's hearts are receptive to the message.
2. Please continue praying for Millersville Mennonite Church as the congregation prepares to conclude its regular church services next year. Pray for God's guidance and peace throughout this season of transition, and especially for the pastor as they lead and walk alongside the congregation during this time. Pray for each person as they discern where God may be leading them to worship and become part of a new congregation. May the Lord bring hope to the church family, and may His peace be present in every conversation and decision along the way.
3. Pray for all the residents, families and team members who are participating in the first Walk to end Alzheimer's at Landis Homes on Oct. 3 at 10AM. Pray for walkers to have a good experience and for safety.
4. Please pray for the 21 LMC churches currently searching for a pastor. Ask God to give wisdom and discernment to each congregation and search team as they seek the right person to lead and serve their church. Pray that God will prepare and call pastors for these congregations, and give each church patience, unity, and hope during this time of transition.
5. Please pray for Pastors Bernardo, Linda Rodriguez and Valle de Jesus Church. They have purchased a property in the Bronx where they hope to build a church. They have been waiting for the gas to be connected while the financial responsibilities for the property continue. Please pray that the gas connection will happen soon, that all necessary permits will be approved, and that construction of the basement and first floor, which will become their place of worship, can move forward without further delays. Pray for God's provision, and guidance through every step of this process.
6. *"...pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored... And **pray that we may be delivered from wicked and evil people...**"* ~2 Thessalonians 3:1-2. *Pastors are primary targets for spiritual warfare and criticism; pray for their physical, emotional, and spiritual protection.*
7. Pastor Mike Shank thanks God that they have hired a director for the Sunnyway Early Learning Center! Please continue to pray for funding to eliminate debt and furnish the center. And please pray for the director that we can be lead to teachers that will share the love of Jesus with the little ones and work with excellence.
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9. The Eden Life Church in Kansas City, along with an emerging congregation, Maranatha Temple, share a building, but, especially for the Eden Life Congregation and Pastor Omot, times and finances have been discouraging. Hold them and the conversations between the two congregations in prayer.
10. STEP Invitation to pray for STEP students and instructors as the first class was September 12. Pray for protection, time management and ability to listen and respond to the voice of the Good Shepherd.
11. Please pray for Darrel and Miriam Weaver and their team as they provide teaching and guidance to young adults who desire marriage but struggle to build meaningful relationships beyond social media. Pray for wisdom, healthy connections, and opportunities to grow in friendship and community.
12. Pray for Lancaster Mennonite School students and staff for wisdom, growth, and health for all students, teachers, and coaches as they engage in daily learning, spiritual life, and activities.
13. Please pray for Lancaster Mennonite school leadership, administration, and faculty as they guide the school's Christ-centered and Anabaptist mission.
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. Pray with EMM for Evan and Faith* as they settle in Central Asia. Pray for provision for their needs, physically, emotionally, and spiritually, as well as meaningful confirmations of God's sovereignty in the timing of their arrival to the region.
16. Please pray for Linda and Phil Gottschalk as they begin teaching online courses for the Baptist Theological Institute in Bucharest, Romania. Pray for wisdom and guidance as they teach and encourage their students. Also pray for Phil as he takes on new responsibilities with the Christian-Muslim Relations Team.
17. Pray with EMM and Nick* for proficiency as he learns both Russian and Farsi, so that he can interact meaningfully with the many speakers of those languages in the context in which he ministers.
18. Thank God for the love and dedication shown by the many volunteers with Mennonite Central Committee Thrift shops, relief sales, material resources centers, meat canning, as drivers and more.
19. Pray with EMM and Brody and Abigail* as they get closer to their departure date. As they prepare to leave for Thailand in November, ask the Lord to provide what their family needs during this transitional period.
20. Join Eastern Mennonite Missions and John and Jeanette Puckett in praising the Lord that their language abilities are growing and for the good health they have been experiencing.
21. Please pray for Peter and Christy and their family as they adjust to life in Beirut, Lebanon. Pray for friendships for their children, wisdom for Peter as he teaches at the Near East School of Theology, and continued strength as the family learns Arabic and adjusts to life in a busy city.
22. Please, praise the Lord with us as EMM, MCC, and LMC will gather together to celebrate Christ unity and the history within these three organizations during Chapel.
23. Today and tomorrow (23-24) LMC Bishop Team will be meeting at Slate Hill Mennonite Church) Please pray for their meeting and for their traveling. Ask the Lord for their travels and guidance during their meeting.
24. Join EMM and Carissa Sherer in praying for Hope for Home, the ministry she works with in Guatemala. Ask that God would use a challenging season to further glorify God and draw ministry workers closer to Him as they increase in trust.
25. Please pray for J.C. Ebersole and the All-nations Association of Bible Schools (AABS) as they hold a video conference for six affiliated schools in India and Bangladesh on November 10. Pray for good attendance, reliable internet connections, meaningful fellowship, and helpful teaching as the leaders learn practical ways to strengthen their Bible schools.
26. Ask God to guard LMC pastors from discouragement, burnout, and spiritual attack. Ask God to guard them from discouragement, burnout, and spiritual attack. Pray for their children that they feel a personal connection to God and find joy, rather than resentment, in growing up in a fishbowl environment.
27. Please pray for the LMC Executive Bishop Team as they lead through many changes and transitions within LMC. Pray for God's wisdom, discernment, unity, and strength as they make decisions and provide guidance. May the Holy Spirit lead them and give them peace and clarity for each step ahead.
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29. Pray for the Landisville-Manor District as they begin the process of discerning a new leader who will replace Bishop Keith Blank following his retirement in May 2027.
30. Please pray for the LMC Staff as they serve day by day, providing support, encouragement, and resources to LMC churches and leaders. Pray for wisdom, strength, and joy as they serve, and that the Holy Spirit will guide them in all they do to equip and strengthen the LMC community.
31. Please pray for LMC bishops and leaders as they guide their congregations.

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