



Weekly Prayer List

March 30, 2023

PRAYER NEEDS

**Members, Friends, & Family
with ongoing illnesses:**

Tom Anderson
Kimberlynn Bailey
Katie Bjorkman
Jeff Brannen
Margaret Kenworthy
Brenda Knight
Hulda Moseley
Louis Philhower
Kenny Rahn
Hal Young

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES

Betty Addleton - Autumn Lane Rehab
James Barlow - Peake Nursing Home
Anabel Cunningham - Alexander IV Senior
Living
Sara Hall - Madison Heights
Margaret Kenworthy - Stafford House, Carlyle
Sally McLemore - Facility in Rome
Bob Nystrom - Madison Heights
Buster Wooten - Oaks at Wildwood
Byrd Wyatt - The Dempsey

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Macey Rainey

Susan DiFiore has colon cancer and is receiving treatment.

George Nottingham (Jeanne) is now at home recovering.

Rusty Bradford is receiving treatment for esophageal cancer.

Ken Johnson, cousin of Mark Yawn, is recovering from a stroke.

John Pierce, George and Jeanne Nottingham's son-in-law, is recovering from surgery to remove a brain tumor and is receiving follow-up treatment.

John Hoover is recovering from heart bypass surgery.

Brent Pyles is recovering from back surgery.

Opportunities For Service

Officers for the Week April 2

Elders Don Hall, Ken Harper

Deacons Clay Jones, John Kitchens

Officers for the Week April 9

Elders Shaun Hill, Bruce Leicht

Deacons Koutsunis Prater, Will Stanford

Missions

Jacob and Lisa Pursley - Armenia

Recently, we prayed with a forty-nine year old, female professor from Iran. She trusted in Christ as her Lord and Savior, and during her prayer she broke down crying. She recounted that she had never felt or experienced anything like what happened to her as she turned to Jesus during this prayer. I would say it was at this point she became born-again. As we have been discipling her, we have been looking at the character and nature of God, and especially how he has revealed himself in the Bible. Please pray for this new believer and her spiritual growth.

Due to persecution and anonymity, it is difficult to estimate the actual number of Muslims coming to faith in Christ. Some have suggested that in Iran alone, there are as many as one million converts, though more conservative figures estimate around 450,000. According to David Garrison, there has never been a time in history wherein so many Muslims have come to faith in Christ (his figures are somewhere between two and seven million). Please pray that God will send us his lost sheep. Please pray that we will have many open doors to preach, for boldness, wisdom, and that many would turn to Jesus during this week.

Please continue to pray for the team leaders in Agarak, A., and S. Pray for unity, protection, wisdom, and open doors for the word to go forth in each village of this unreached area.

We have a member in our church plant who is praying for support for her hip surgery. She is currently sick with the flu. Her name is Bella.

As you all know, the worst natural disaster in Turkey's history claimed the lives of over 47,000. I was recently speaking to a Kurdish pastor in Turkey about his own personal loss. Over 25 of his relatives were killed in the earthquake, including his mother-in-law. He also said that over 26 of his relatives are still unaccounted for. He told me, we could sit in a corner and cry and mourn for days. But at this moment we must share the gospel. He said that God has been encouraging and reminding him of John 15 which states: "*If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.*"- John 15:19. He said we really don't belong to this world. And we are working for Him and His kingdom and we are truly not of this world. Our Armenian missionaries have mobilized to partner with this man and others. Pray for the continued relief work and for opportunities of evangelism amongst those suffering from this disaster.

As our ministry grows so does our need for missionary housing. We are in the process of making two guest houses. We have a huge need for funds to remodel two buildings on our properties that will be used for missionary housing. Our ministry center in Agarak, and our new property in K. village both have two detached buildings that we desire to remodel and use for missionary housing. We have two couples that have committed to move to help with our ministry, yet we have no place for them to stay. This will be used as their primary housing and is located on properties we already own. These two buildings were used as barns and storage areas. Total amount to remodel, add bathrooms, showers, small kitchen, etc. ... \$12,500 per building. Total needed: \$25,000. If you feel led to support these two small homes, please email directly so I know how much we can designate for these projects. Any amount will help.

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