

# NOVEMBER 2020

# PRAYER

## GUIDE

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.*

**1 PRAY FOR:** Director of Administration and Finance **Nancy Singer**—praise for the incredible custodial staff led by **Howard Kern** in disinfecting all the rooms and buildings to allow for ministry; praise for **Tim Hollinger** and the versatile technology and audio-visual staff who have helped others find new ways of supporting worship and ministries; effective treatment of the COVID-19 virus, efficacious vaccines and healing for those who have contracted the virus. Head Usher **Michael Bare**, Asst. **Ed Simon** and ushers—thank God for these servants who greet and assist worshipers each Sunday; their transition to the new service times. **Jim and Beth Tebbe**, Forman Christian College, Pakistan—praise God that a replacement rector has been found for Jim who has stepped down from his busy job as of November 1 and fully retires on December 1; the Tebbes as they say their goodbyes and pack up to leave on November 16; safety from illness, particularly at this time of transition.

**2 PRAY FOR: Those experiencing grief or loss:** friends and family of Pat Duhey, Bunny Fisher, Claudia Gerwin, Sally Madio, family and friends of Ruth Muzzy, including daughter Sue Teiwes. **Janet Blomberg**, Interaction, Wheaton/Worldwide—praise God for the successful relaunch of Interact which serves parents, educators, caregivers and sending agency personnel (the next issue talks about helping MKs and their families cope with crisis situations whether that is COVID, kidnapping, a tsunami and so on); MKs and families effected by COVID, especially those who have transitioned back to the States or began college.

**3 PRAY FOR:** Culture Impact Committee and Chair **Ashley Glaze**—praise God for these his servants who encourage the church to think and act biblically about important issues; a good response to the toy drive for Outreach Community Center's Christmas Store. **Bill and Laurie Stough**, Farming God's Way, U.S. & Uganda—the communities they work with to experience fruitfulness from their faithfulness to and investment in Farming God's Way; Uganda and the surrounding countries as they fight the coronavirus without good healthcare systems.

**4 PRAY FOR: Ongoing health needs;** Carol Eickhoff, Ellie Eklund, Diana Fries, Sheri Fuller, Angie Krc, Andrew Lamb, Ruth McDonald, Phil Sheridan, Jim Siple, Joe Slone, Chris Steenwyk, Tavinya Taylor, Ed VanderMolen, Ron Waldschmidt, Rich Wilson; **missionary health needs:** Rosalyn Albright, Karis Keating, Esther W. **Ben and Mandy Pehrson**, WBT, Papua New Guinea—translators from 11 languages in Papua New Guinea to make good progress in finalizing Philippians for audio and print publication and in drafting the Gospel of John; local PNG translators to find ways to pay for their village computing kits, receive training on them and then continue to make progress in Bible translation in between workshops (and COVID restrictions) in their remote villages; Ben and Mandy as they lead the team remotely; Ben as he analyzes language data and writes consultant notes on the translations.

**5 PRAY FOR:** Technology Director **Tim Hollinger**, Digital Manager **Tony Visconti** and AV Manager **Joseph Abdelmelek. John and Elsa Maust**, MAI (2), Wheaton/Worldwide—continuing preparations for two days of virtual training, November 5 and 6, for Arab Christian writers; writers to be encouraged and that they will create published content that nurtures the church and impacts society for Christ in the Arab world; wisdom as plans continue for next year's LittWorld conference in Hungary (October 24-29, 2021); them to reach their \$15,000 matching grant opportunity, which has a deadline of December 31.

**6 PRAY FOR:** STARS (Disability Ministries), Sunday morning Supt. **Dorothy Nicholson** and Supt. **Lin Fallon**—praise God for these servants who invest in the lives of the STARS and teach them about Jesus. **Phil Smith**, LRI, Wheaton/Worldwide—Phil and Jessica and their four kids during this unusual school year and the mix of homeschooling, in-person in the public school and online schooling; Phil as he dives into a new, intriguing role at LRI; wisdom as he begins a new rhythm and set of work relationships in his role as organizational development specialist (Phil is exploring the creation of a new global entity to provide a format for more international

contributions and collaborations by their global partners); their ministry partners around the world who face different pandemic challenges. **Kristen** (Eurasia)—a project to help families financially in the winter when work typically slows or stops altogether; physical, emotional and spiritual transformation in people who need to find sustainable solutions to work, housing, family life and need answers to their questions about life and Jesus, God to protect Hope (a new believer) and her unbelieving family; God to use her among the Afghan women. **Bolivian Bible Seminary**, Cochabamba, Bolivia.

**7 PRAY FOR:** Director of Disability Ministries (STARS) **Julie Clemens**, Ministry Associate for Disability Ministries **Kathy Brinker**. Admin. Assistant for Disability Ministries **Kim Jimenez**. Disability ministries volunteer staff. **Norm and Cathy Beasley**, WBT, U.S.—translators around the world as they persevere despite myriad obstacles; this country and leadership in precarious times; praise God for two new grandbabies this fall; praise for the Lord's daily provision and loving-kindness.

**8 PRAY FOR: STARS Family Services** (living arrangements and services). **Stanley and Marjorie Okoro**, GEM, France—Stanley and Marjorie as they settle into their new home; good first encounters with their neighbors that would lead to opportunities to be regular witnesses in their lives; God to prepare Marjorie and Stanley for their new role as parents; the *Ch'tites Eglises en reseau* and God to continue his transforming work in them; them to glorify him more and more as they seek to make disciples who make disciples.

**9 PRAY FOR:** Facility Director **Howard Kern**, Asst. Manager **Dave Carlburg** and staff. Laurie, Asia—her surgeries to go well; the surgeon to do the best job possible; good healing and physical therapy to restore full range of motion; the borders of her country to open so she may return when the time is right; faithful donations and tithes to continue while she is in the States dealing with her medical needs. **Isaac and Jennifer Stough**, Youth for Christ, Spain—Isaac to get an appointment to renew his visa, especially with COVID delays making it difficult to get one; the youth group events that have been taking place; everyone stays healthy.

**10 PRAY FOR: World Relief Corp., DuPage/ Aurora. D & M, CRU, U.S.**—opportunities to meet new international students to invite into their Bridges International community; the international student believers to grow in their ministry skills of evangelism and discipleship; their three daughters to grow in faith. **Jeff and Margreet Dusek, MAI (1), U.S.**

**11 PRAY FOR: Eliza, TeachBeyond, Vietnam** (mid-term (8/1/19-7/1/2021). Keenagers and Chair **Don Childs**—praise God for these his servants who have served well all the days of their lives.

**12 PRAY FOR: Robert and Laurie Nordstrom, OMF, U.S. Jamie and Kim Viands, AIM, Kenya**—Jamie as he teaches classes online; the classes to be fruitful in spite of frustrations with internet issues, communication issues and so on; a few special friends for their kids as a lot of their friends have moved away and normal social/church/school events have not been allowed since March; Jamie and Kim to grow in Christ as a couple and as a family.

**13 PRAY FOR: Retired missionaries: Don Genheimer, Jim and Nan Green, Austin and Margrit, Chuck Hogren, Chuck and Anita Howard, Dave Howard, Norm and Sue Kapp, Don and Muriel Stilwell, Bill and Ruth Stough, Gene Taylor, Roger and Naomi Walkwitz, Bob and Carol Wenninger. T. and R., Eurasia**—praise for a good departure and a healthy reentry into their country of ministry; the Lord to keep his hand on them as they resettle.

**14 PRAY FOR: Dorothy Forsberg, SIM, Benin**—praise God that the complete Yom Bible is in Benin and for sale; many Yom Christians to buy it and read it faithfully; non-Christians to be curious about this big book in their language and buy and read it; increased literacy rates. **Jeff and Irene, Asia. Missionary Furlough Homes, Wheaton.**

**15 PRAY FOR: Kayla Costley, Ministry Associate for 20s Ministry**—Kayla as she begins her new role and responsibilities with the 20s ministry; these 20-something adults to grow in Christian community with each other and the church.

**16 PRAY FOR: Brad and Christy Keating**, WBT, TX/Worldwide—Karis' liver tumors to shrink and that they would find and maintain a balance of meds, fluids and nutrition to keep her system in balance; Brad to make good progress on work projects as he continues working from home with all the distractions. **Odessa Theological Seminary**, Odessa, Ukraine.

**17 PRAY FOR: Treasurer Ken Heulitt**, Financial Secretary **Eric Enstrom** and Assistants **Mark Bradley, Steve Howard, B.J. Wisdom, Del Lamb** and **Kevin Moon**—thank God for these servants who carefully record our tithes and offerings. **Jeff and Ann VanDerMolen**, KA, Dominican Republic—God's provision to vulnerable school families and the Kids Alive team who are reaching out to help them; strong faith and increased trust in the Lord for Jeff, Ann and their children.

**18 PRAY FOR: Susan Perlman**, JFJ, CA/ Worldwide—their continued ministry to Jewish/Gentile couples; their new podcast; God to do a wonderful work of uniting believers through the world during these difficult days; the investment into the next generation of Jews for Jesus. **Bangui Evangelical School of Theology**, Bangui, Central African Republic.

**19 PRAY FOR: U.S. Supreme Court**, Chief Justice **John Roberts** and the U.S. Judiciary. **Terri Miller, ReachGlobal**, Worldwide—energy and stamina as Terri has meetings, trainings and workshops in a virtual capacity; favor, health and protection for colleges and students on campus, including University of Northwestern (MN) where her husband, Matt, teaches and Wheaton College where their two daughters attend; a good transition as Terri begins serving as the global church representative for the National Association of Evangelicals. **Jonathan and Amy Harris**, OM, Wales—their new book table outreach in Grangetown, Cardiff, which has Christian literature in various languages; the book table to help them connect with people from the different ethnic groups and discover those who are seekers after truth; praise God that Grace Church Cardiff has resumed regular Sunday worship and are meeting in the largest sports hall in the leisure center; wisdom as they continue to navigate how best to carry out effective evangelistic ministry in Wales during ongoing COVID-19 restrictions.

**20 PRAY FOR: Illinois Supreme Court and Illinois Judiciary. Jeff and Tamara Hershberger**, SEND, Japan—God to grant the Hershbergers supernatural ability to improve their Japanese; them to sustain their resolve to learn how to proclaim the gospel more clearly; the Lord to help them establish and guard a worshipful, joy-filled devotional time at home; wisdom to know where to invest their time and effort in present needs and opportunities.

**21 PRAY FOR: Illinois Governor JB Pritzker and his administration, including Lieutenant Governor Juliana Stratton. Steve and Lois Dresselhaus**, TEAM, Mexico—the new church to remain a simple, multiplying, disciple-making gathering of Christ followers dedicated to obeying him in all areas of life; social stability in this time of crisis; more people to partner in ministry of Reconciliar and better increase the number of people served without adding more equipment or infrastructure.

**22 PRAY FOR: Current Illinois State Senators** Andy Manar (Dist. 48), Laura Ellman (Dist. 21), Thomas Cullerton (Dist. 23) and Suzanne Glowiak (Dist. 24); Illinois State Representatives Grant Wehrli (Dist. 41), Amy Grant (Dist. 42), Diane Pappas (Dist. 45), Deb Conroy (Dist. 46), Deanne Mazzochi (Dist. 47), Terra Costa Howard (Dist. 48) and Kaarina Villa (Dist. 49). **Arab Baptist Theological Seminary**, Beirut, Lebanon.

**23 PRAY FOR: Wheaton Mayor Phil Seuss, DuPage County Board Chair Dan Cronin and other local, school district and county officials. John and Leila**, Asia—their Southeast Asia country with its increasing cases of COVID; people to turn to Jesus and Christians to shine the light of Jesus to those around them; the Lord to keep John and Leila's business going; those who work for them to rely on the Lord; the Lord to open the country at the right time to allow them to return.

**24 PRAY FOR: Followers of Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism and Islam. Repeat Boutique, Wheaton. Tim and Deanna Smith** (Missions Associates) GEM, Worldwide—twelve new candidates appointed recently as missionaries in Romania, France, Germany and the UK; their fund raising and preparations to move to Europe; the family to care for and support one another well; God to use Deanna and her team at a local pregnancy center to reveal himself to the women who come into the center.

**25 PRAY FOR:** **David Johnson**, KA, Dominican Republic—the preparations and planning for the school year ahead; the training, practice and inspiration to teach virtually; their students who have some catching up to do; caregivers who are stretched; their kids to become disciples of Jesus. **Asian Theological Seminary**, Philippines.

**26 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!** Thank God for the redemption we have in Christ, for the forgiveness of sins according to the riches of his grace and for our guaranteed inheritance. Thank God for blessing us in Christ with every spiritual blessing—we lack nothing in him.

**27 PRAY FOR:** The Board of Deaconesses and Chair **Karen Bagge**—praise God that the deaconesses were able to assist in the outdoor baptisms and provide the all-in-one communion cups in the past few months; wisdom for each deaconess as she serves the congregation during COVID-19. **Heads of state in Europe and Eurasia**—peace between Azerbaijan and Armenia. Heads of state in the Americas and the Pacific. **Marcos and Mariana Romero**, Reach Beyond, AZ. **John and Flora**, Middle East, (mid-term August 2018–August 2021)—godly elders to join the leadership of the international fellowship that John pastors; wisdom and encouragement for John as he encounters opposition to minister; the language to “stick” in their minds and flow from their mouths for God’s glory; new sister “Rahab” to persevere in her young faith as God holds her to him.

**28 PRAY FOR:** The Board of Deacons and Chair **Dave Sohmer**—thank God for these servants who oversee the business and mercy ministries of the church. **Steve and Lois Krogh**, TLI, Wheaton/Worldwide—the classes from Grace Life Seminary (GLS), Liberia, taught by TLI faculty to equip the 42 pastors currently enrolled to be faithful and effective pastors, church planters and expositors of God’s Word; textbooks to arrive in time for classes; God’s strength and wisdom as Dyonah Thomas, founder and director of GLS, balances his roles as pastor, husband and father; him to grow in grace and truth as he leads the church and seminary; newly married son Jake and his wife, Britta, to build their marriage on a grace-filled Christ-centered foundation.

**29 PRAY FOR: Home-bound and care centers:** Joyce Anderson, Jeanne Blumhagen, Peg Carlson, Lois Erickson, Ed Felske, Arlene Hare, Kathryn Hopson, Julia King, Bob Klepack, Margaret Lyda, Joy Sandlund, Lillian Smith, Priscilla Weese, Shirley Whitecotton, Celia Yu, Tony Zalar. **Vance and Andrea** (Asia)—them as they continue to settle

in their new location and want to keep God at the center as they work through this transition; Elisa, Maisie and Adeline as they make new friends and get connected to their community; Aidan as he graduates from Basic Training and starts his next stages of training; Nate to have an excellent finish to his first semester at Moody; praise God for the great leadership meetings focused on developing the strategic plans for TeachBeyond for the next five years.

**30 PRAY FOR: Heads of state in Asia. Joe and Holly Greeson, SEND, AK**—provision for their families who live in remote villages to have food to share (one moose can provide meat for several families); Joe as he prepares to officiate at the wedding of an alumnus of their teen retreat; the message prep and the paperwork the state needs to grant Joe a license as a “temporary marriage commissioner;” two projects that would enable SEND North to expand in ministry in the future: an additional aircraft based in Fairbanks and a building purchased for an office; the renovations planned for next summer and move-in plans the fall of 2021. **Ed and Joy L., Canada**—those with whom Ed and Joy interact to be drawn into the truth of the gospel; the Holy Spirit to stir people’s hearts to know more about the loving God; discernment for Ed and Joy in their interactions with neighbors, friends and new connections and God would give them words to speak and the knowledge to know when to listen.

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### PRAYER CALENDAR COMPILER WANDA POOR MISSION ACRONYMS:

**AIM** – Africa Inland Missions

**GEM** – Greater Europe Missions

**JFJ** – Jews for Jesus

**KA** – Kids Alive

**MAI (1)** - Missionary Athletes  
International

**MAI (2)** – Media Associates  
International

**OM** – Operation Mobilization

**TLI** – Training Leaders  
International

**WBT** – Wycliffe Bible  
Translators



# College Church

Proclaiming the Gospel