

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

### **SALVATION**

Outreach ministries, Evangelistic contacts, Good News Clubs, VBS Decisions, friends & loved ones

### **DISCIPLESHIP & SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

- Those who are in discipling relationships

### **OUR CHURCH**

- Pastors, Directors, Staff, Elders, Deacons, Christian Education Team & Ministries, Missions Team & Missionaries, Property & Finance Team
- Small Group Ministry
- Vision 2025 - mature, mentor, multiply

### **VENTURE CHURCH NETWORK MID-ATLANTIC**

Butch Deslatte, Jeff Grant, Keith Wittel, Jim Harrison, Steve Luxa, Paul Decker, Jim Madas, Byron Hand, Pastor Douglass' daughters (Lisa & Lori)

### **OUR COUNTRY & LEADERS**

President Donald Trump	Supreme Court
Sen. Cory Booker	Sen. Andy Kim
Rep. Frank Pallone	Gov. Phil Murphy

### **OUR TROOPS**

- Andre Sylvester - Air Force
- Arthur O'Connor - Marines
- Dan Miller - Navy
- Daniel Polera - Marines
- Dominic Culley - Coast Guard
- Sean Callahan - Army

### **FAMILY, HOUSING, JOB, & FINANCES**

- Kim (J Mahan's daughter) - financial issues
- All who have job and income loss and concerns
- Puglisi Family - home completely destroyed by fire
- Xenia & Wendy (M Mburugu's daughters) - job opportunities
- Kathy (M Cruz' friend) - financial issues
- Carol Beck - trial in March (ex-husband stopped alimony)

### **MISSIONARIES**

- Chalo Sandoval - cancer, health issues

### **IN THE NEWS**

- Situation in Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Lebanon
- Hurricane Recovery: Helene & Milton
- Wildfires: California
- Persecuted Christians around the world
- Those in prison

## **PRAYER REQUESTS *(continued)***

### **ILL & SHUT IN**

*Aloha Co* - infusions for cancer treatment  
*C Duncan / K Conlin's father* - off ventilator, serious dementia  
Cheddi Singh's father - ICU, heart and breathing issues  
Steve (C Barkaszi's husband) - congestive heart disease  
Arlene (Tom Comollo's mom) - hospitalized, stage 4 pancreatic cancer  
Tali Murphy - abdominal pain, possible hernia  
Debbie (D Spatz' sister-in-law) - rehab, broken ankle  
Maria Infusino - treatment, thyroid cancer  
Gurunath (L Dundi's dad) - recovery, at home (fluid in lungs)  
Jennie Yesse - recovery, in rehab (car accident)  
Esther (R Samaroo's mom) - ulcers  
E Dundi's mom - fractured ankle  
Xenia (M Mburugu's daughter) - epilepsy, leg pain  
Talia (Manjusha Paul's niece) - rehab  
René Murphy's friend's father - heart attack, on ventilator  
Joe & Jane (M Infusino's sis & BIL) - Parkinson's & Alzheimer's, resp.  
Kim (J Mahan's daughter) - ankylosing spondylitis + dysautonomia  
George (D Drylewicz' nephew) - anti-GBM (immune system attacks kidneys/lungs)  
Juliet (A Lai's sister) - cancer returned (in bones), salvation  
Anwar (Pastor Alfonse's father) - recovery, stroke  
Brenda Davis - hospitalized  
Heather (K Coleman's daughter-in-law) - lupus  
Corrie Susan (S David's cousin) - malignant glioma brain tumor  
Ven Davis - ongoing treatment

### **PRAISE for ANSWERED PRAYER**

### **CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

### **KEEP IN PRAYER...**

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| • Andrew Coleman               | • Marylou Cocuzza            |
| • Beth Edwards                 | • Marie Brown                |
| • Carol Beck                   | • Megan LaFrano              |
| • Winston & Elizabeth Griffith | • Nancy Cashmere             |
| • Dot Lee                      | • Nancy Swartz               |
| • Jill Hruska                  | • Olivia Kish Burke          |
| • Jody Dominguez               | • Pat Yost                   |
| • Lina Tylka                   | • Vincent (D Graziano's son) |
|                                | • Wendy Kukowski             |

## **WEEKLY PRAYER LIST 02/26/25**

### **MISSIONARY UPDATE**

02/22/25

“JJC”

We hope you are doing well. The situation is alright here in this country, with the ceasefire holding despite violations in the south.

There is even a sense of new hope, as the country has elected a new president and prime minister after two-plus years of political vacuum.

The international situation is far from stable, with an religious government in a nearby country, threats of population transfer from another country, and a shift in US policy toward yet a third country.

But in this period of local calm, the sending organization has recommended I take a short sabbatical.

It is just for me! That is, the children remain in school, my wife continues with her moms' prayer ministry, and our life otherwise remains uninterrupted.

The sabbatical is scheduled for two months, February and March, with a return to journalism in early April.

But after the stress of 14 months of turmoil and the reporting thereof, the sending organization judged that a pause reflects best practice for my long-term health in the region.

My wife concurred. The magazine agreed.

My member care supervisor emphasized that a sabbatical is routine and should-be regular policy for our organization—while I have yet to take one in over two decades of service.

In truth, I feel better already. I have disengaged from the news cycle and found God's grace in mental rest.

Physical rest is important also, but a sabbatical is not a time for laziness.

On the contrary, by breaking the routines of status quo, it presents a deliberate opportunity for discernment. I get to ask the question: What does God purpose for us in these next 5-10 years of life? I'm not old yet, but I'm getting there. How can I best serve him at this stage of ministry?

Perhaps he even invites me to ask: What would I delight in doing?

I love what I do—it has been God's good gift. Please pray with me for renewal and guidance.