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Angelus: A Call to Prayer

July 2017

- 1. Pray for the Black Rock Retreat capital campaign as we are raising funds to expand our Summer Camp program and make more room for more children to grow in their relationship with Christ. Currently two cabins are in the process of being built and we are trusting God to provide the funds needed to build even more.
- 2. Pray for the members of Community Mennonite Fellowship, in Milton, as they transition from a longterm pastor to an interim pastor.
- 3. Many EMM workers will be in the U.S. on home leave this summer. Pray that their conversations and church presentations would be seasoned with salt so that mission vision grows throughout communities.
- 4. Praise God for the freedom that we experience in the United State. Pray for those who are impacted by war and/or persecution.
- 5. Kingdom teams, a one-week local mission program for youth, are happening throughout this month. Pray that God will reveal more of Himself to the youth groups who are participating, and that the youth will truly bless the refugees with whom they interact.
- 6. Pray for safety over families as they travel for summer vacations.
- 7. Pray for health and healing for John and Debbie Coats and those around them, especially a local coworker who is suffering from cancer.
- 8. Pray for a worker to serve as an English tutor, building relationships with students to open doors for the gospel, in the Czech Republic.
- 9. Oasis, a retreat for missionaries on home leave, is being held July 9–14 at Black Rock Retreat. Pray that participants will be refreshed and ready to continue ministry wherever God has called them. Pray also that Oasis will be a safe place for the children of missionaries to connect and share about their unique lives.
- 10. Pray for renewal and fresh vision/energy for those pastors who are currently on sabbatical.
- 11. Nicole Hess has begun teaching health education to Sudanese secondary students, and is excited about the opportunity to connect with them. She can feel overwhelmed by the many needs of these children; pray that she can be a vessel of God's love.
- 12. Pray for the Credentialing Commission as they interview today.
- 13. Pray for Sheryl Martin as she continues her ministry with the Christian/Muslim Relations Team, striving to build bridges between Christians and Muslims. Pray that she would be renewed and encouraged daily.

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- 14. Pray for those serving as interim pastors across Lancaster Conference.
- 15. Pray for safety, fun and learning at today's Eastern Mennonite Missions (EMM) Global Fair.
- 16. Pray for Dave and Sue Martino (previously pastors at Community Mennonite Fellowship) as they move to Ohio and begin a new pastorate at Aurora Mennonite Church.
- 17. Please pray for those attending the Parkinson's Support Group summer picnic at Landis Homes today. Many of these folks are the primary caregiver for loved ones. Pray they have a time of relaxation and recharging.
- 18. There are many worldwide opportunities to share Christ through education. Pray for more teachers who are willing to go and teach in areas such as leadership, theology, or ESL.
- 19. Pray for young people to be trained in reproducible church planting by participating in the 10-month EQUIP missionary training among unreached people in the city.
- 20. Pray for the Strategic Direction Task Force as they continue to meet to discern a way forward for Lancaster Conference.
- 21. Pray God's blessing on this morning's Conference Executive Council meeting.
- 22. Pray for a smooth transition for Phyllis and Galen Groff as they end their time with EMM after over 25 years of service. Pray for safe travel throughout the next few months and for discernment in their next phase of life.
- 23. Pray for increasing faithfulness in being the hands and feet of Good News in Lancaster.
- 24. Praise God for discipleship and multiplication in the community where Timothy and Madison *(not their real names)* are serving. Pray for perseverance, as changed lives don't come about quickly or easily.
- 25. Pray for Lancaster Conference staff as they seek to faithfully serve God, leaders, and congregations.
- 26. Daniela (*not her real name*) is in the last month of her yearlong internship. Pray for her as she spends time teaching, visiting, and saying goodbye to many friends. Ask the Lord for wisdom and guidance as she looks to the future.
- 27. Pray for business people in the church. Pray that they will be empowered by the Holy Spirit to be a witness to God's truth and love in the marketplace.
- 28. Pray that Mike and Nancy Hostetter and their children will continue to grow in love for God, one another, and their community.
- 29. Pray for the missional leaders who will be gathering today to pray and discuss church multiplication.
- 30. Pray for financial giving to Lancaster Conference to continue during these summer months.
- 31. May all of Nicholas's *(not his real name)* needs; physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual, be met by God through His grace and power (Philippians 4:19).