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Angelus: A Call to Prayer

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- 1. Please keep Iglesia Cristiana Valle de Jesus congregation in your prayers as they are in the process of purchasing a property, in the Bronx, NY. Pray that the disagreement between the owners of the property will not delay the court date for the purchase any longer.
- 2. Please pray for Lancaster Mennonite School as we enter a week of School Missions Inspiration through words and prayer.
- 3. Christian/Muslim Relations Team member Jonathan Bornman requests prayer for his research and writing. Pray also for his relationships with many different Muslim friends; some close to home, some in New York, and some scattered around the world. He desires to be fruitful for the kingdom of heaven.
- 4. Pray for the transition of pastoral leadership at Community Mennonite Fellowship. Pastor Don Sharp has begun his 18-month long intentional interim term. Pray for grace, renewed vision and clear direction for the future.
- 5. Pray for the 2018 Celebration of Church Life (CCL) Planning Committee, as they meet this week and discuss the final details for the March 23-24 CCL event.
- 6. Pray for East Petersburg Mennonite Church as they search for a Worship Coordinator, and a Children and Youth Coordinator.
- 7. Pray for all the students at Lancaster Mennonite School and join us in celebration of those students being inducted into the National Honor Society.
- 8. Ask God's blessing over the Credentialing Commission as they travel to NYC to conduct their interviews.
- 9. Pray for God to call and prepare young people to serve as staff on EMM's Kingdom Teams for two months next summer. Kingdom Team staff help lead sessions and service opportunities for youth groups as they engage in ministry to local refugee children and youth.
- 10. Pray for those who will be attending the Silent Sanctuary weekends at Black Rock Retreat. Pray that in the silence, each participant will hear God's voice clearly and powerfully.
- 11. Pray for the STEP classes that meet today. Pray for the ability for each student to be able to focus, learn, and know how to apply what they are learning.
- 12. Pray for Micah Martin and his fellow discipleship teammates in Kaiserslautern, Germany. Ask the Lord to give him deep relationships with the people he interacts with on a weekly basis in various volunteer positions.
- 13. Pray for a youth worker to help conduct English camps during the summer in the Czech Republic.
- 14. Join Phil and Linda Gottschalk in praying for the people affected by the refugee crisis in Eastern Europe, for those who are fleeing their home countries and also for those who are resettled. Pray for peace and understanding on both sides. Pray for the Gottschalks as they serve at Tyndale Theological Seminary.

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- 15. Ask God to bless Bishop Carl Horning as he retires from overseeing the Lebanon and Manheim Districts.
- 16. Ask God's blessing on the join Lancaster Conference Bishop Board and Eastern Mennonite Missions Board meeting that takes place tomorrow morning.
- 17. Pray for and show support for Lancaster Mennonite School (and other non-profit organizations) on day for Extraordinary Give, which is an opportunity to give thanks for the transformative power of Mennonite education and the impact on students and communities around the world.
- 18. Non-resident volunteers Joe and Gloria Bontrager ask for continued prayers for the Tanzania Mennonite Church as well as the Mennonite Theological College of Eastern Africa as they strive to spread the kingdom of God through ministry and training in Tanzania.
- 19. Personnel Placement Coach Jimm Derksen visited a number of Eastern and Central European countries in October, learning about opportunities to serve in these places. Pray for people who are interested in this part of the world to be connected with EMM to learn more.
- 20. Pray for safe travel for all those from Lancaster Mennonite School Hershey Campus attending the Leadership Conference in Arlington, VA.
- 21. Pray for more mission interns! Pray that God will raise up both young and old who are ready to step into life on mission and cross cultures, engage the world, and make disciples of Jesus. Currently recruiting for locations in the U.S. and abroad.
- 22. Pray that God would continually protect Michael and Nancy Hostetter and their family from all harm and strengthen them physically (Genesis 2:7). Pray they will have wisdom and discernment.
- 23. Happy Thanksgiving! "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Colossians 3:17)
- 24. Pray for Stacy Nofziger as she gives English lessons and continues to study Czech. Stacy had the opportunity to meet with a young man who had received a Bible and had questions about faith. Pray that this man will continue to ask questions and come to know Jesus.
- 25. Pray for Kandace Glenn as she returns to North America from her internship in Cambodia. Pray that she would rely on the Lord in the midst of the disorientation of transition. Pray also for guidance in next steps for her.
- 26. English teachers with a love for rural living and adventure are needed to serve in the Chiloé archipelago of southern Chile. Pray for workers to partner with Chilean brothers and sisters as they seek to provide education and opportunities to children at risk.
- 27. Pray for the congregations that have decided to join Lancaster Conference, and those in discernment.
- 28. Pray for Nicole Hess as she walks through both mountaintop and valley experiences. Pray for emotional support and that God would refresh her spirit in the midst of the challenging circumstances. Join with her in praying that her goal to begin a basketball club will become a reality.
- 29. Pray for a positive response to Lancaster Conference's year-end giving opportunity.
- 30. Pray that Clara *(not her real name)* would not lag in diligence but would be fervent in spirit. May she rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, and continue steadfastly in prayer (Romans 12:11–12).