

Angelus: A Call to Prayer

September 2017

1. Pray for East Africa Regional Representatives Debbi and Aram DiGennaro and their two children. May they remain alert to opportunities to bless and serve their communities, and may their actions and attitudes clearly represent Christ's love for the people whom they are serving.
2. Please continue to pray with Community Mennonite Fellowship, in Milton, for an interim pastor.
3. Pray for a ministry assistant to join a Deaf Mennonite church to work with Deaf children and young adults, who are often marginalized. This person could also interpret for Deaf youth in high school and explore employment possibilities for them.
4. *Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. (Colossians 3:23-24)*
5. Pray for the Lancaster Mennonite Conference Finance Committee that meets this morning.
6. Pray for the pastor and members at Rohrerstown Mennonite Church, as well as all the congregations in the Landisville-Manor District.
7. Praise God with Anita and Jamie Farr, who are working with Wycliffe Bible Translators, that funds have come in to translate the New Testament into the language of the Baruga people in Papua New Guinea! Pray with the Farr family for the details surrounding the planning and printing of these Scriptures.
8. EMM is so blessed to be financially carried by many faithful supporters. Thank God for them and ask for God's presence to be poured out in their lives.
9. Today is the Landis Homes Fellowship Day is. Join Landis Homes in prayers of thanksgiving for all of those who give of their time, talents and resources to raise money for The Caring Fund.
10. Immanuel Community Church is situated in one of the most diverse neighborhoods in the country: Flushing in Queens, New York City. The church is looking for people to join them in making this neighborhood their place of work, worship, play, and ministry. Pray for a person or persons to join this church's ministries.
11. Pray for the Vision Columbia church-planting team as they navigate relationships with new tenants - another church plant and an outreach organization (Hands Across the Street) that reaches out to the homeless and impoverished populations in our town.
12. Pray for the 2018 Celebration of Church Life (CCL) Planning Committee, as they meet today and continue to prepare for the March 23-24 CCL event.
13. Credentialing Commission interviews take place today. Pray for the commission members – alertness, ability to ask good questions, stamina. Pray for each leader being interviewed – clarity of mind, encouragement.
14. Pray for the Black Rock Retreat fall season of Outdoor Education as the teachers, parents, and youth experience science education in God's beautiful creation focusing on the theme of Jesus' parables.
15. Pray that God will make Christian/Muslim Relations Team member Andres Prins' ministry exceedingly fruitful, and that the message of Jesus may spread rapidly and be honored (2 Thessalonians 3:1).

16. Pray for the STEP students who are in their first month of works this school year.
17. English teachers are needed for isolated rural or island schools near Puerto Montt, Chile. Pray that God will provide the right person for this placement.
18. Pray for the international students as they adjust to being in the USA and at Lancaster Mennonite School.
19. Pray for the International Missions Association (IMA) Gathering, which begins today. Pray for the organizations and conferences that have planned this event, for all in attendance and the host families.
20. Join Dave and Summer Houser in praying that their discipleship students will grow in Christ. Pray also for wisdom for the Houser family as both Dave and Summer navigate new service opportunities and difficulties in getting through the visa process.
21. Pray for all those who gather today for Lancaster Mennonite Conference's Fall Leadership Assembly. Pray for the credentialed leaders, who will be voting on the constitutional changes, and for those who will lead the day.
22. Ask God's blessing on the Conference Executive Council as they meet this morning.
23. EMM is pleased to have nine people join in a fundraising trek in Peru to raise money for the growing needs of the PROMESA school. Pray that a minimum of \$80,000 is raised through this adventure so the school can build new facilities. Pray also that the trekkers would be protected and strengthened in their task.
24. This summer, Christian/Muslim Relations Team members Grace and David Shenk attended the Islamic Society of North America's convention and handed out 2,200 copies of *A Muslim and a Christian in Dialogue*, a book co-written by David. Praise God for this open door, and pray that those who read the book will be inspired to build peace and relationships between Christians and Muslims.
25. After summer home leave in the U.S., Ted and Julie Smoker and their five children are returning to serve in Guatemala. Pray for a safe and easy transition back, good health for their family, and quick re-adaptation to the language and culture.
26. Pray for congregations and individuals to give generously toward the ministries of Lancaster Mennonite Conference.
27. Kandace Glenn has only a few months left of her one-year mission internship in Cambodia. Pray for meaningful ways for her to connect with the dorm students, she is ministering to.
28. Pray for the bishops and their ministry among us.
29. Nancy Marshall and her daughter Sulmi are concluding their 12 years of service in Belize and moving back to the U.S. Pray for a smooth transition and safe travels, as well as Sulmi's transition into the U.S. school system. Pray also for the Deaf church Nancy and Sulmi are leaving behind in Belize. May it flourish as new EMM workers arrive to continue the work there.
30. Pray for those leading and attending the Healing Communities event, at Lancaster Mennonite Conference.
31. A team of people involved in a transformative business in Southeast Asia need someone to help school their children. Pray for someone to take advantage of this unique opportunity, mixing English-speaking education with opportunity to learn a new language and build relationships in the community.