

“In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us through wordless groans” (Romans 8:26).

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- 1st We give glory to God for the success of our **AGC National Conference** that was held **May 25 to 27th** in **Banff, AB.** *“The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy!”*
- 2nd **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del and Barb Gibbons** as Del ministers to our pastors and churches throughout Quebec.
- 3rd Pastors to fill roles that are vacant in the following **AGC West churches: Bonanza Gospel Chapel, Bonanza, AB, Little Smoky Country Chapel, Little Smoky, AB, Gleichen Community Church, Gleichen, AB, Gladstone Christian Fellowship.**
- 4th **AGC West Regional Director, Rev. Rob and Wendy Cochrane** as Rob gives leadership to our Western churches. Rob is sharing God’s Word today with the congregation at **Lakeview Bible Chapel, Fraser Lake, B.C.**
- 5th **Alex & Amber Bojórquez (Pastor at Maryfield AGC, Maryfield, SK).** Their son Leonardo is improving, and we thank God for answering prayer. Continue to pray for this family as Leo will need future surgeries.
- 6th The preparation and planning for the many **summer camp** programs.
- 7th **AGC Administrative Assistant/Finance Manager, Donna Leung** as she serves our **AGC** staff and our churches.
- 8th **AGC West Associate Regional Director, Rev. Lorne and Esther Meisner** as Lorne gives leadership to our churches in Manitoba.
- 9th **Pastor Jeff and Alanna Peacock and family (Pastor of Somerset Bible Chapel, Somerset, MB.)** Pray for renewed health and strength for Jeff as he has further cancer treatment.
- 10th **Susan Davis, AGC Compassion and Justice Coordinator,** as she serves our Lord. Pray for **Westside Bible Church in Victoria, Garside Bible Church, in Hamilton and Chinese Gospel Church, in Toronto** as they welcome new arrivals to Canada.

- 11th The preparation and planning for the many **VBS** programs that will take place across the country. Pray for our Children and Youth leaders.
- 12th **AGC President, Rev. Bill and Michele Allan.** May God give Bill wisdom, guidance, and strength as he serves our **AGC** National team and our churches.
- 13th The **AGC West SE Saskatchewan Pastors Café** at **Parkland Bible Church, Kipling, SK.**
- 14th The **AGC East Conference planning meeting** and the **AGC East Council meeting** taking place today.
- 15th **Blainville Church, Quebec** (re-establishment) and **Rockland Church,** as in each case we need a worker/missionary to come along and support each French church project. Pray for the growing Rockland community, the outreach program for the year and the incorporation process.
- 16th The **AGC Staff Meeting** taking place today. May our team be guided by His Spirit and strengthened in their ministry roles.
- 17th **Rev. Dr. Paul and LaFaye Brittain** as Paul ministers in his role as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials.**
- 18th  *God’s blessings on the men who make a difference by loving God, their families, and the world.*
- 19th Pastors to fill roles that are vacant in the following **AGC** churches in the East: **Bethel Church, Kingston, ON, Bethel Bible Church, Seaforth, ON, The Gathering House, Chesterville, ON, Milliken Gospel Church, Markham, ON, WestVillage Church, Ottawa, ON, Fair Havens Community Church, Beaverton, ON, New Life Christian Assembly, Toronto, ON.**
- 20th **AGC East Associate Regional Director, Rev. John and Peggi Garner** as John ministers to our churches throughout the East.
- 21st For those who **mourn,** that they may be comforted.
- 22nd The **AGC National Board meeting** taking place today via Zoom under the direction of **Rev. Win Bowman.** We thank God for those serving on our Board.



- 23rd The many college and university students that need jobs this summer. We pray that their needs will be supplied.
- 24th **AGC East Regional Director, Rev. Dr. Tom and Karen Lamshead** as Tom ministers to our churches throughout Ontario and Nova Scotia. Tom is sharing God's Word tomorrow at **Fair Havens Community Church, Beaverton, ON.**
- 25th We rejoice today with the congregation of **Peoples Church, Montreal, QC** and with the friends and family of **Kyle and Laura Pendley** as Kyle is inducted into the church as **Youth Pastor.**
- Rev. Rob Cochrane** is sharing God's Word today with the congregation at **Wetaskiwin Mission Church, Wetaskiwin, AB.**
- 26th **Schools out!** Pray for safe travels for people on vacation. Pray for parents that need the extra patience and fortitude to plan activities for their children and pray for the many outreach events that happen within our churches throughout the summer months.
- 27th The **AGC Staff meeting** taking place today. Pray for the staff as they plan time away from the regular work schedule so that each team member will have time for refreshment and renewal.
- 28th Those who are persecuted for their faith as well as those who are enduring the pain of displacement from their homes due to war or natural disaster.
- 29th **AOK Church, Aundek Omni Kaning, ON.** Pray that more people will hear and respond to the gospel message and know the love of Christ.
- 30th **AGC Church Relations Coordinator/Benefits Manager, Susan Page** as she serves our **AGC** staff and our churches.

Blessed Be Your Name

One very windy day, while walking along the lakefront, I paused to reflect. The waves were high, and the winds howled, yet these gusts were nothing in comparison to what people experience in life-altering storms. We've all experienced sadness, suffering and pain. Throughout the world, people face the devastating loss of life and property because of powerful natural disasters, wars, and famines.

The song *Blessed Be Your Name* came to mind as I continued my walk. How glibly we may sing these words especially when the "streams of abundance flow." But what happens when tragedy and heartache strike, and we find ourselves in a desert place? Perhaps we've all faced a dark night of the soul, but what if we lost everything? If bombs wiped out our everyday way of life or if we were persecuted for our faith, could we still smile and enthusiastically sing "Blessed be Your name"? Paul and Silas did exactly that while in prison. "About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them" (Acts 16:25). What a witness these men displayed of trusting in God no matter the circumstances!

I pray that we will be still and ponder the depth and truth of the words we sing while we worship. It's o.k. to lament before moving into an attitude of praise. While grieving we should feel the freedom to lament before our God of grace and mercy. The Psalms are filled with deeply felt prayers we can use when we don't have the words to express our grief. "*Listen to my words, Lord, consider my lament. Hear my cry for help, my King, and my God,*" (Ps. 5: 1,2).

We can be thankful for those days when the sun is shining down on us and the world's 'all that it should be'. Yet, God is faithful even on the road marked with suffering. By God's grace and in His strength whether with tears of sorrow or joy, our hearts can truly sing, "*Blessed be The Name of the Lord.*"

*Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name*

Do you have a prayer concern you'd like to submit to share with AGC churches nationwide? If so, e-mail it to the AGC Office at sue@agcofcanada.com