

Let us pray for one another! "Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working" (James 5:16).

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- 1st Our **AGC** churches across the country as they prepare for the fall programs to begin.
- 2nd Those who are travelling this **Labour Day** weekend. **AGC** office is closed.
- 3rd Please continue to pray for **Carolyn** and **Jim Houston** as Jim continues to recover from his recent liver transplant. They are very grateful that they were able to return home before scheduled. Praise God for answered prayer.
- 4th We continue to mourn with those in our **AGC** family who are grieving the loss of a loved one. **Rev. Grover Crosby**, who served in the **AGC** for many years went to be with the Lord on August 18th. Please be in prayer for his wife **Faith** and **family**.
- 5th **Executive Director of Fair Havens Ministries, Liz** and **John Thompson** as Liz and the staff are into the fall season which includes many conferences.
- 6th **AGC West Associate Regional Director, Rev. Lorne** and **Esther Meisner** as Lorne ministers to our churches in **Manitoba**.
- 7th The **relief efforts** of churches and aid agencies throughout the world. Pray for **Susan** and **Tim Davis** as Susan leads **AGC Compassion and Justice**.
- 8th **Rev. Charles-Henri** and **Lise Côté**. We ask prayer for wisdom to fulfill God's will in caring for the Francophone Churches in QC and ON and for continued health and strength as we navigate through some health issues. **Église Évangélique de Blainville, QC**
- 9th **Rev. Russ** and **Sue Wilson** as Russ ministers in his role as **AGC West Regional Director**.
- 10th The **AGC National team** as they meet to pray and plan strategically for our association. Let us know how we can pray for you!
- 11th **AGC President, Rev. Bill** and **Michele Allan**. May God give Bill wisdom, discernment and guidance as he gives direction to our **AGC National team** and to our churches throughout Canada.

- 12th **Pastor Frank Humphrey** and wife **Daria** from **Peoples Church, Montreal**. We pray for Frank's comfort, both spiritual and physical.
- 13th The **AGC National team** is busy in the planning stages for **AGC National Conference 2020**, being held in beautiful **Kelowna, B.C.** Stay tuned and be in prayer as we prepare to gather to fellowship & celebrate the **AGC's 95th birthday!**
- 14th **Rev. Glenn** and **Bonnie Rider** as Glenn carries out his responsibilities as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials**.
- 15th Our **Community Dinner** held every Tuesday evening, that we will have opportunity to share the message of Christ. **Calvary Church, Toronto, ON**
- 16th **Rev. Bill Allan** as he travels to the **AGC West Council meetings** taking place in **Saskatoon, SK**. Pray for the **AGC West Council** as they gather together to pray and plan for the ministry needs of our **AGC** Western churches.
- 17th The **AGC National team** as they meet to pray and plan strategically for our association.
- 18th **AGC Administrative Assistant/Finance Manager, Donna Leung** and **AGC Church Relations Coordinator/Benefits Manager, Susan Page**. For **Donna's** son, **Jacob** as he struggles with serious health issues.
- 19th **AGC Finance Committee meeting** taking place today.
- 20th **Rev. Mike** and **Heather Mileski**, as Mike leads **Benediction Church**, an **AGC** church plant in **Hamilton, ON**. Please cover us in prayer as we love and serve our neighbours.
- 21st **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del** and **Barb Gibbons** as Del ministers to our pastors and churches throughout **Quebec**.
- 22nd We rejoice today with the congregation of **Église Évangélique Baptiste Lumière** and the family and friends of **Pastor Carl-Henri Saint-Armand** as they celebrate the occasion of his ordination in the AGC. The service will be held at **Église Évangélique Philadelphie**.



- 23rd **Delburne Gospel Church, Delburne, AB** that the Lord will continue to supply us with enough godly leaders to work with our children and youth.
- 24th We are so thankful that God has joined the congregations of **Faith Gospel** and **Oasis** (a Spanish congregation.) We've become good friends and look forward to accomplishing great things in the English and Spanish community here in the Rosedale area of **Hamilton, ON. Faith Gospel Church**
- 25th Our **Hope Project** street ministry. Every Thursday we go downtown Hamilton and serve those in need. **Garside Bible Church, Hamilton, ON**
- 26th **AGC Board meeting** taking place today.
- 27th Pray for **Pastor Warren and Ellen Charlton** and our congregations as we move through a year of transition. **Two Hills Fellowship Chapel, Two Hills, AB**
- 28th **AGC East Regional Director, Rev. Tom** and **Karen Lambshead** as Tom ministers to our churches throughout **Ontario**.
- 29th We thank God for an amazing day camp where we saw **45 kids** faithfully attend. Pray that the gospel message will take root in the lives of these precious children from the Indigenous territory of **Wikwemikong. Rev. Jonathan & Carmi Edralin, Aaven, Myla & Valen**
- 30th Our weekly **Children's** and **Youth Ministries**. We pray that many young people will come to faith in Christ through these ministries. **Biggar AGC Church, Biggar, SK**

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

Worry Wart

Have you ever wondered where the expression "worry wart" originated? Apparently, in the late 1950's, a character called the "Worry Wart," was drawn by J.R. Williams and appeared in Dell comics. The character, a little tyke, was not a worrier, in fact, he was more of a troublemaker who caused others to worry.

Worry often grows out of a deep concern, a heavy burden or a feeling of apprehension which can lead to fear or anxiety. I'm sure that we have all struggled with these feelings from time to time. A conflicting sense of conviction and comfort occur each time I read Scriptures that address the topic of worry.

"Therefore, I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ... Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6: 25,34).

Worry clouds our vision and saps our strength. It can poison everything, but often, the harder we try not to worry the less successful we are. That is because we can't "not worry" in our own strength. We can only do it through the power of the Holy Spirit. Our Heavenly Father knows what we need even before we ask!

No matter our age, we are all God's children. What do children do when they are fearful? They usually climb onto their parent's lap or their bed seeking comfort. When we are worried, we can run to our Abba and spend time with Him, ***casting all our anxieties on Him, because He cares for us*** (1 Peter 5:7).

I imagine that our enemy loves it when we are worried. It makes us more vulnerable to his attacks. Again, we turn to Scripture and are reassured that Jesus is greater than our enemy (1 John 4:4). Jesus said that in this world we will have tribulation, but He told us to take courage, for He has overcome the world (John 16:33). We do not need to become "sick with worry." We have a Saviour who knows ... and He cares! ***"Cast your burden on the Lord, and He will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved"*** (Psalm 55:22).

I certainly don't want to be referred to as a worry wart, although I do worry on occasion. Courage, faith, peace, serenity, calmness ... these words are much more palatable and soothing to the spirit. ***"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*** (Philippians 4:6-7). So, considering these beautiful lessons from Scripture, with the help of our Father, ... don't worry – bask in the blessedness of our Father's care and provision!