

Let us pray for one another! As you pray for the requests listed, perhaps you will be inspired to send an e-mail of encouragement to someone.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

1st The **AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering** for **Niagara/Hamilton/Burlington** being held at **Compass Point Bible Church, Burlington, ON**.
Rev. Martin Harder and team who have been ministering in **Zambia** serving with Beautiful Feet ministry. Pray for the seeds that were planted for God's Kingdom and for safe journeys home.

2nd The **AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering** for **South Western Ontario** being held at **The Rock, Woodstock, ON**.



3rd The **AGC Canada West Conference**, being held at **Church of the Open Bible in Swift Current, SK**.

4th The **AGC Canada West Conference!** Please pray for session Speakers: **Rev. Rob Cochrane, Rev. Russ Wilson, Rev. Bill Allan and Dr. Bill Fietje**.

5th The **AGC Canada West Conference**. Giving thanks to **Dr. Bill Fietje** for ten years of service as our National President and welcoming Presidential Candidate, **Rev. Bill Allan**.

6th The **AGC Canada West Conference**.
We rejoice with the congregations of **Iglesia Cristiana El Oasis and Faith Gospel Hamilton** as they celebrate the Ordination and Induction of **Pastor Cesar Rodriquez (Leticia)**.

7th **Waterford Bible Church, Waterford, ON** has a theme verse this year: **"Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit says the Lord Almighty!"** (Zechariah 4:6) Their prayer for 2018 is for a great outpouring of God's Spirit as they walk through a pastoral transition.

8th The **AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering** for **Eastern Ontario** to be held at **Community Bible Church, Stittsville, ON**.

9th The **AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering** for the **GTA** to be held at **Bridletowne Park Church, Scarborough, ON**.

10th **Dr. Bill Fietje** as he attends **EFC Board Meetings** today and tomorrow.

11th The **AGC Canada East Young Adult Retreat, Oasis**, taking place at Fair Havens.
The many plans and preparations going into our **AGC National Conference, ABIDE**. Pray for the **Conference Committee** and all the **volunteers** who will be assisting, and for our host **Redeemer Bible Church, Niagara Falls**. Also pray for our Conference speaker, **Dr. Rick Reed (Linda)**

12th The **AGC Canada East Young Adult Retreat, Oasis**.

13th **Rev. Russ Wilson** as he ministers today at **Banff Park Church, AB**.
Pastor Frank Humphrey (Daria) and **family** from **Peoples Church in Montreal**. Frank has had a recent hospital stay and is considerably weaker.

14th **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del Gibbons (Barb)** as he ministers to our pastors and churches throughout **Quebec**.

15th **Rev. Glenn Rider (Bonnie)**, ministering as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials**.

16th **Rev. Russ Wilson (Sue)** in his role as **AGC Superintendent** for **Canada West**.
AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering for **Algoma** being held at **Calvary Gospel Church, Blind River, ON**.

17th Our staff at **Fair Havens** under the leadership of **Executive Director Liz Thompson (John)** as we prepare for the busy season at **Fair Havens**.

18th Continued wisdom for our leadership and clarity of vision and purpose among our congregation as we begin a time of transition and search for a lead pastor.
Northside Community Church, Kitchener, ON

19th The **AGC Canada West Strive Retreat**, being held at **Millar College, Pambrun, SK** throughout the weekend with speaker **Joel Houston**. The theme is **"Strive for Identity"**.

20th **Donna Leung (Wayne)** and **Susan Page** in their roles at **AGC National office**.
Countryside Community Church, (an AGC Church Plant), Oro-Medonte, ON, as they continue to impact their community for Christ.

21st **Interim Canada East Superintendent, Dr. Tom Lamshead (Karen)** as he ministers to our **AGC** churches in the East.

22nd **Two Hills Fellowship Chapel, Two Hills, AB**, that our intern, **Caleb Semenyina**, will be led by the Lord as to what to do after his internship is completed at the end of June.



- 23rd **Rev. Charles-Henri and Lise Côté**, for God's will to be accomplished in their missionary work in Quebec. They are moving in July to a village in the center of their missionary field in the Laurentians. They will also assist AGCQ Director, Del Gibbons in preparing new workers for new churches in Quebec.
Église Évangélique de Blainville, QC
- 24th **Rev. Jonathan and Carmi Edralin**, of **Outbound City Church, Mississauga, ON** as they follow God's call to ministry on Manitoulin Island by Sept. 2018. Praise the Lord, Carmi was put on the occasional teacher list in the Wikwemikong Board of Education.
- 25th Presidential candidate **Rev. Bill Allan (Michele)** as he prepares for the upcoming conference vote and possible transition.
- 26th **AGC President, Dr. Bill Fietje (Lois)**. May God give Bill and Lois peace and direction as they navigate the changes that come with retirement. **Bill** is leading the **AGC National Staff** in transition meetings in the coming week.
- 27th Our Hope Project street ministry. Every Thursday we go downtown Hamilton and serve those in need. They are loved by God and as a church we want to share the message of the gospel with them.
Garside Bible Church, Hamilton, ON
- 28th **AGC Canada West Associate Superintendent Rev. Lorne Meisner (Esther)** as he ministers to our churches in **Manitoba**.
- 29th **Delburne Gospel Church, Delburne, AB**, that God will provide us with a Youth Pastor.
- 30th The **AGC Staff** who are arriving in Niagara for pre-Conference set-up and meetings and prayer time.
- 31st  The **AGC National Conference**, at **Redeemer Bible Church, Niagara Falls, ON** with **Dr. Rick Reed (Linda)**.

"Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing."

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

HE PRAYED

"Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where He prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for Him, and when they found Him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for You!" (Mark 1: 35-37)

Jesus was extremely busy in ministry. Read Mark chapter one if you need confirmation of Jesus' exhausting schedule. Yet, He woke very early ... a long while before daylight and went to a solitary place to pray. When His disciples expected Him to go back to minister to the people who were searching for Him, He responded that He needed to move on and preach in the next towns to fulfill the purpose for which He had come.

Why pray? Prayer helps us discover God's priorities for us. **"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do"** (Ephesians 2:10).

Jesus did not get caught up with the need to please others. He was on earth to be about His Father's business. The only way He knew His Father's will, was to spend time communing with Him.

The disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray (Luke 11:1). The God who created the universe invites us to commune with Him. He waits for us to come aside to a solitary place and be still before Him. He wants us to share our hurts, fears, and desires with Him. He longs to have a relationship of intimacy with us.

Shana Schutte shares in her article: "What is the definition of Intimacy, what does it mean to be intimate":

One evening over dinner with a friend, we spoke about intimacy and what it means. She shared a cute little phrase with me to remind me of intimacy's true meaning. "It means 'in-to-me-see,'" she said. Ah yes, it's a blending of our heart with another's, so we can "see into" who they really are, and they can "see into" us.

We mustn't get so caught up on the treadmill of life that we fail to breathe deeply and be still before the Lord our God, our Maker. For He is our God, and He patiently waits to meet us even amid the chaos.

Often, we rush ahead making plans and then forge ahead asking God to bless our plans. As God in His grace and wisdom patiently matures us, He reveals that His ways are much better than ours. It is His desire that we spend time with Him, seeking His direction, for we are His handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do the good works which He prepared in advance for us. Isn't this amazing! Let's pray!