

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 Staff** meeting and prayer time taking place this morning.
- 2nd The transitional time as an interim **Canada East Superintendent** prepares for his new role.
- 3rd **Outbound City Church, Mississauga, ON (Pastor Jonathan Edralin (Carmi))**, as they thank God for the blessings of their ministry trip to the **Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve** on Manitoulin Island. May the seeds that were planted flourish for God's Kingdom.
- 4th **Rev. Glenn Rider (Bonnie)**, ministering as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials**.
- 5th **AGC President Bill Fietje, (Lois)** as he is speaker of the week at **Fair Havens Ministries**.
- 6th Our staff at **Fair Havens** under the leadership of **Executive Director Liz Thompson (John)** as we praise God for the ministry of **Fair Havens**.
- 7th Our **Community Dinner** held every Tuesday evening, that we will have opportunity to share the message of Christ. **Calvary Church, Toronto, ON**
- 8th **Rev. Laird Crump (Joey)** as he transitions from his role as **AGC Superintendent** for **Canada East**. Thank-you Laird for your service to God, the **AGC** and the Canada East churches.
- 9th **Garside Bible Church, Hamilton, ON**, that we may be able to reach our community with Christ's love.
- 10th **Église Évangélique d'Ottawa**, as we gather this week for our **Harvest Festival Meetings!**
- 11th **Meadow Creek Community Church, Hamilton, ON**, as we try to reach our community for Christ and a fresh vision from God about our future.
- 12th **Rev. Russ Wilson (Sue)** in his role as **AGC Superintendent** for **Canada West**.
- 13th Those in our **AGC** family who are facing serious health issues: **Pastor Frank Humphrey (Daria)** and **family** from **Peoples Church in Montreal**, as Frank battles against a consistent infection.
- 14th **Rev. Denis Arcand (Johanne) Pastor of Église Chrétienne Évangélique de Hawkesbury, ON**. Pray that the cancer will remain undetectable at Denis' next testing.
- 15th **Elva** (wife of **Pastor Wayne Foster**) and family as **Elva** needs prayer for daily strength and encouragement. Elva and Wayne continue to rest in the Lord's hands.
- 16th **Pastor Paul Brittain (Lafaye)** as he continues to recover from surgery. Paul is so thankful for your prayers and for the results of all the tests which showed no need for further treatment. Praise God!
- 17th The many families that are grieving the loss of their loved ones. We continue to remember **Pastor Lane Fusilier** and **family** and the family at **Philpott Memorial Church** as they deeply miss debi's presence.
- 18th Our **AGC** churches that are busy at work doing **Summer camps** and **VBS** programs.
- 19th **Donna Leung** and **Susan Page** as they minister in their roles at the **AGC** National Office.
- 20th **Countryside Community Church, (an AGC Church Plant), Oro-Medonte, ON**, as they continue to impact their community for Christ.
- 21st **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del Gibbons (Barb)** as he ministers to our pastors and churches throughout **Quebec**.
- 22nd **AGC President, Rev. Bill Fietje (Lois)**. May God give Bill wisdom, discernment and guidance as he leads and gives direction to our **AGC** National team and to our churches throughout Canada.
- 23rd **Faith Gospel Church, Hamilton, ON** as we search for a pastor. We are thankful for new people who have joined our fellowship.

- 24th The **AGC Search Committee** as they seek God's direction in selecting our next **AGC President** (2018).
- 25th **Delburne Gospel Church, Delburne, AB**, that we will have effective follow-up to our outreach that took place with our **Child Evangelism Fellowship Club** last month.
- 26th **Église Évangélique Galilee** as we gather this week for our **Harvest Festival meetings!**
The continuing ministry of our church. **Église Évangélique de Blainville, QC**
- 27th We rejoice today with **Compass Point Bible Church, Burlington, ON** on the inductions of **Rev. Brad Klinck (Lisa) Associate Pastor of Connections** and **Rev. Chris Heise (Holly) Associate Pastor of Family Ministries**. Welcome to the family!
- 28th **Canada West Associate Superintendent Rev. Lorne Meisner (Esther)** as he ministers to our churches in **Manitoba**.
- 29th The many **AGC churches** who are supporting **refugee families**. As God's love is shown, may men, women, boys and girls be won for Christ.
- 30th **Two Hills Fellowship Chapel, Two Hills, AB**, that the Lord would oversee and direct us as we engage a pastoral intern from Sept. 2017 until June 2018.
- 31st **Mount Pleasant Bible Church, Mount Pleasant, ON** - that new people will come through our doors and feel a warm welcome.

*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*

Neighbours

I live on a street where the townhouses are attached to one another. This means that who you have as a neighbor can be very important. My neighbour's property recently went up for sale. This would be the fifth set of neighbours in this unit during the time I have lived here. I hope this says more about our transient society that it does about what kind of neighbour I have been. 😊

I immediately started asking God to bring good people to live next door, maybe even Christians. Quiet neighbours, courteous, perhaps people who do not own a yappy dog or have screaming toddlers.

I was immediately convicted. How could I pray like this, in such a self-seeking manner, with no thought as to how I could influence a newcomer for Christ?

I had read in Brennan Manning's book *the furious longing of God* this descriptive writing by Claudia Mair Burney which left a lasting impression on me:

"Go now, beloved brothers and sisters, aflame with what you know to do: Love! Do not keep silent. Do not keep quiet, until righteousness goes forth like brightness and salvation is a torch burning. Until all nations see your righteousness, and all kings your glory. You will be called, "The evidence of God's love in the world." Invite all to God's feast of furious love. Do as the Master commands, "Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame" (Luke 14:21) Bring them starving. Bring them bleeding and broken. Drag them to the banquet, wretched and raggedy as they are. Sit them at the table, though they mourn and weep, necks bent and heads hung low. Go in love. Go with love. Go because of love. How else will they know our good God? How else will we? "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:35)

What I am now praying is for neighbours of God's own choosing. People from any race, creed or religion. Neighbours with whom I can share the love of God, if not in word, then most certainly by my actions. With my whole heart, I pray that I may be the evidence of God's love in this little community. Thank you Lord for speaking to my heart.

"The good neighbor looks beyond the external accidents and discerns those inner qualities that make all men human and, therefore, brothers." - Martin Luther King, Jr.