

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 **Interim Canada East Superintendent, Dr. Tom Lamshead (Karen)** as he ministers to our **AGC** churches in the East.
- 2nd **Reg Hermanson** and his family as Reg is recovering from a very serious motorcycle accident. **Calvary Church, Saskatoon, SK**
- 3rd Our **AGC** staff meeting that will take place this morning.
- 4th We continue to thank God for the results from the many **VBS** and **day camp** programs that were run throughout the summer months. We want to pray for good shepherding of the many children who gave their lives to Jesus. **Bethel Bible Church, Seaforth, ON** ended their **VBS** with a carnival for the community ... **well over 200 people attended!**
- 5th For God's blessing as we hold our annual Harvest/Thanksgiving meetings October 5 – 8. **Église Biblique Pierre Angulaire, Montreal, QC**
- 6th 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.
- 7th Our **Community Dinner** held every Tuesday evening, that we will have opportunity to share the message of Christ. **Calvary Church, Toronto, ON**
- 8th **Pastor Tim Wai (Christina)** from **Simply Church, Waterloo, ON** who has been diagnosed with stage 3 colon cancer. Tim has undergone surgery and is now having chemotherapy treatments.
- 9th **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**
We rejoice and are thankful for God's provision and for His faithfulness!
- 10th We support those in prayer who are grieving. Continue to remember the **Allan** family from **Bridletowne Park Church, Toronto, ON** who are grieving Ron's recent passing. **Anne Harder (wife of Pastor Martin Harder)** passed away on September 9th. **Pastor Don Hogman** passed away September 6th at the age of 90.
- 11th **AGC National Board and Staff Meetings** at **Fair Havens** today and tomorrow.

- 12th **AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering at Wetaskiwin Mission Church, AB**
Our staff at **Fair Havens** under the leadership of **Executive Director Liz Thompson (John)** as we praise God for the ministry of **Fair Havens**.
- 13th **Outbound City Church, Mississauga, ON (Pastor Jonathan Edralin (Carmi))**, as they follow God's call to ministry on Manitoulin Island by Sept. 2018.
- 14th For renewal for our church that we may see conversions and new disciples.
Église Évangélique de Deux-Montagnes, Montreal, QC
- 15th **Garside Bible Church, Hamilton, ON**, that we may be able to reach our community with Christ's love.
Mount Pleasant Bible Church, Mount Pleasant, ON as we move ahead with our interim preaching elder.
- 16th **AGC President, Dr. 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.
- 17th **AGC Ministry Leaders Gathering at Varsity Bible Church, Calgary, AB.**
- 18th **Rev. Glenn Rider (Bonnie)**, ministering as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials**.
- 19th **Meadow Creek Community Church, Hamilton, ON**, as we try to reach our community for Christ and a fresh vision from God about our future.
- 20th **AGC President, Dr. Bill Fietje** is speaking at **Peoples Church, Montreal, QC** for their **Missions Conference** taking place today and tomorrow.
- 21st **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del Gibbons (Barb)** as he ministers to our pastors and churches throughout **Quebec**.
- 22nd We rejoice and give thanks as our church celebrates **11** years of ministry today. Our theme is **"Cup Overflows"** from **Psalms 23:5**
God's Dwelling Place Christian Ministries, Brampton, ON
- 23rd **Countryside Community Church, (an AGC Church Plant), Oro-Medonte, ON**, as they continue to impact their community for Christ. We welcome **Interim Pastor, Eric Hartland (Joan)**.
- 24th **Rev. Russ Wilson (Sue)** in his role as **AGC Superintendent** for **Canada West**. 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 Bible Church, Kitchener, ON

- 25th **Delburne Gospel Church, Delburne, AB**, as we continue to look to the Lord for a Youth Pastor.
AGC South Western Ontario Ministry Leaders Gathering at Grace Gospel Church, Paris, ON.
- 26th **AGC Niagara/Hamilton/Burlington Ministry Leaders Gathering at Compass Point Bible Church, Burlington, ON.**
- 27th **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.
- 28th **Quebec Ministry Leaders Day** with guest **President Dr. Bill Fietje at Deux-Montagnes, QC**
- 29th For wisdom and fruit in peoples' lives as the church is meeting in groups in several homes. **Église Évangélique de Blainville, QC**
- 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 **AGC Canada West Associate Superintendent Rev. Lorne Meisner (Esther)** as he ministers to our churches in **Manitoba.**

"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*



The Lord Has Done Great Things

Years ago, my life was deeply impacted by a loss that was life altering. At that time, over Thanksgiving week-end, I journaled these thoughts: ***"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks IN ALL circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."*** *In ALL circumstances Father, really? ... ALL? ... Everything? ... Even this? Yes, My child, even this. I AM working out ALL things for your good. My love is steadfast, not dependent on circumstances. I AM here to hold you. I AM your Redeemer. I AM the ONE who will sustain you. I AM faithful. It is My will for you My wounded child that you be thankful even in this, that your joy may be full in Christ Jesus. Give thanks, pray continually, I AM here holding you, take heart My child, be filled with joy.*

Fast forward six years, as I approach Thanksgiving weekend, these words from the Psalmist are ringing true in my life ... ***"The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy."*** Psalm 126:3. What an amazing God we serve! He is with us and sees us through the deepest heartache. We have so much to be thankful for. Consider the faithfulness of our Father, the vastness of His reach. The grace, mercy, joy, and blessings He pours out to us, His beloved sons and daughters.

In reviewing these past years, I am overcome with a depth of gratitude to my Lord. He has allowed me to enjoy many different adventures in uniquely different settings. I never thought in a million years that He would bless me with friendships and travel opportunities that were custom made to fit my budget. This past summer, I was blessed to travel with my eldest daughter while she presented at a Conference in Nova Scotia. Staying in student dorms, while being a unique experience, gave me an opportunity to walk the beautiful city of Halifax and add on a three-day mini-getaway in P.E.I. to celebrate my daughter's birthday. Then, just this past month, I travelled with a girlfriend and vacationed at a friend's condo in beautiful South Carolina. These unique settings filled my cup, as our gracious Faithful Father knows exactly what His children need.

How I enjoyed the sounds of the waves, the sunlight sparkling across the water like diamonds, while little schools of fish frolicked over the surf. I saw sandpipers, skipping along the shoreline at rapid speed, their little legs seeming to go faster than necessary. Pelican after pelican glided gracefully across the skyline, dipping over the waves in their search for prey. White and grey herons were wonderful sightings as well. From the smallest lizard to the lazy alligator, God has made each creature so unique. From the sand dunes on P.E.I to the crashing waves at Peggy's Cove to the mighty surf at Cape Fear in North Carolina, my heart was staggered by the majesty of our Creator God. I can't begin to describe how I enjoy swimming in the warm salt ocean. Having those waves roll over you and soothe your tired body is a refreshment beyond words. I truly believe that God speaks to me through His creation. I feel a greater sense of His presence while outdoors. The Lord has done great things and I am filled with joy.

Have a blessed and joy-filled Thanksgiving. ~Susan Page, Church Relations Coordinator~