

*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:

- 1<sup>st</sup> **Waterford Bible Church, Waterford, ON** as they continue their Drop-In ministry and prepare for participation in Waterford's Pumpkinfest celebration.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> The **AGC Staff meeting** today. May God unite our team in the mission and ministry to which they have been called. **Pastor Daniel Winter** and his wife, **Wendy** along with their daughter **Rebecca** as they travel to **Greece** for a ministry outreach from **Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>**. They also thank the **AGC** family for their faithful prayers after the trauma of the Danforth shooting. We praise God for souls who came to know Jesus. **Calvary Church, Toronto, ON**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> The many people impacted by the fires in the **West**. **Pastor Alain and Teresa Vitela-Campos** and his congregation at **Grassy Plains Gospel Church, Burns Lake, B.C.** were evacuated this summer. Another **AGC** church, **Lakeview Bible in Fraser Lake (Rev. Jay and Colleen Hinds)** offered their support.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Those who mourn: **Pasteur Denis Arcand** and his wife **Johanne**, in the recent passing of Johanne's father. **Église Chrétienne Évangélique de Hawkesbury, ON**
- 5<sup>th</sup> **Biggar AGC Church, Biggar, SK** as we wait on God to do great things within our community.
- 6<sup>th</sup> **Countryside Community Church, (an AGC Church Plant), Oro-Medonte, ON**, as they continue to impact their community for Christ.
- 7<sup>th</sup> We have so much to be thankful for. Pray for the **relief efforts** of churches and aid agencies throughout the world. **Rev. Tim and Susan Davis, AGC National Compassion and Justice**
- 8<sup>th</sup> **Happy Thanksgiving**. The **AGC National office** is closed today.
- 9<sup>th</sup> The **AGC Staff meeting** today. May God continue to renew our strength as we depend on Him for guidance and wisdom.
- 10<sup>th</sup> **AGC South Western ON Ministry Leaders Gathering** taking place at **The Rock, Woodstock** with **Rev. John Garner**.

- 11<sup>th</sup> **discipleFirst Conference**, sponsored by the **AGC** and **Baptist General Conference** taking place in Winnipeg today.
- 12<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Russ and Sue Wilson** in his role as **AGC West Regional Director**.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Our **AGC National Board** as they work together with the **AGC Staff** to fine tune new policies and procedures.
- 14<sup>th</sup> We rejoice today with the congregation at **Peoples Church, Sarnia-Lambton** as they celebrate in the **Ordination Service** of **Pastor Nick Baetz**.
- 15<sup>th</sup> **AGC National Board** meetings taking place at **Fair Havens Ministries** over the next two days.
- 16<sup>th</sup> **AGC Administrative Assistant/Finance Manager, Donna Leung** and **AGC Church Relations Coordinator/Benefits Manager, Susan Page** as they minister in their roles at the **AGC National Office**.
- 17<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Glenn and Bonnie Rider** as Glenn carries out his responsibilities as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials**.
- 18<sup>th</sup> **Pastor Frank Humphrey**, wife **Daria**, and **family** from **Peoples Church in Montreal**. We pray for Daria and others who are in a care-giving role.
- 19<sup>th</sup> **Two Hills Fellowship Chapel, Two Hills, AB**, that we would know the Holy Spirit at work within our lives.
- 20<sup>th</sup> **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del** and **Barb Gibbons** as Del ministers to our pastors and churches throughout **Quebec**.
- 21<sup>st</sup> **Rev. Jim and Carolyn Houston** and **family**, as Jim has been put on a list for a liver transplant. In the meantime, he has been receiving some treatment.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> **AGC West Associate Regional Director Rev. Lorne** and **Esther Meisner** as Lorne ministers to our churches in **Manitoba**.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Our **Hope Project** street ministry. Every Thursday we go downtown Hamilton and serve those in need. Please pray for the people we meet. We have met people who are homeless, others who struggle with mental illness and/or addiction. 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**
- The **AGC Staff meeting** today.



- 24<sup>th</sup> **AGC Eastern ON Ministry Leaders Gathering** taking place at **The Met, Ottawa, ON** with **Rev. John Garner**.
- 25<sup>th</sup> **AGC Ham/Burl/Niagara ON Ministry Leaders Gathering** taking place at **Compass Point Bible Church, Burlington, ON** with **Rev. John Garner**. **Executive Director of Fair Havens Ministries, Liz Thompson** and husband **John** as Liz continues to work alongside her staff in this important ministry.
- 26<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Charles-Henri and Lise Côté**. For Wisdom and resources to fulfill God's will in the mission of winning souls for Jesus in Quebec. There are 8.3 million souls with only .5% Christian. **Église Évangélique de Blainville, QC**
- 27<sup>th</sup> **AGC East Regional Director, Dr. Tom and Karen Lamshead** as Tom ministers to our churches throughout Ontario. We thank God for supplying us with a Director of Family Ministries, **John and Debbie Miller** and ask for prayer as they transition into their new role, building the Sunday School and Youth Ministry.  
**Delburne Gospel Church, Delburne, AB**
- 28<sup>th</sup> **AGC President, Rev. Bill and Michele Allan**. 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. Bill is speaking at **Bethel Church, Seaforth, ON** today.
- 29<sup>th</sup> 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**
- 30<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Mike Mileski**, and wife **Heather**, as Mike leads **Benediction Church**, an **AGC** church plant in **Hamilton, ON**. For continued unity and vision for our Leadership Team. For a larger worship venue as we move to weekly services. That our charity status will be quickly approved. The **AGC Staff meeting** today.
- 31<sup>st</sup> **AGC Algoma Area Ministry Leaders Gathering** taking place at **Calvary Gospel Church, Blind River** with **Rev. John Garner**.  
**AGC President and Regional Directors meetings** today and tomorrow.

**GIVE THANKS WITH A GRATEFUL HEART**

Many thoughts go through my mind when I think of the celebration of our Canadian Thanksgiving. Crisp autumn walks with the leaves crunching beneath my feet. Vibrant leaves of gold, red, and the beautiful deep burgundy of the sumac. Tart fall apples, bright orange pumpkins and the smell of turkey wafting through the house for hours on end. Warm woolly sweaters and visits to the local fall fair.

An old journal entry is one that I often revisit when I need to be reminded to have an attitude of gratitude. God spoke to my heart while writing this response to a challenge from His Word. It was during a time in life when feeling grateful was particularly difficult. You know, those times when you must dig deep to recall your blessings.

*"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks IN ALL circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus". 1 Thessalonians 5: 16, 17*

*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 these 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, I will NEVER leave you. Take heart My child, be filled with joy.*

It's easy to give thanks when life is good. God asks us to give thanks **IN ALL** circumstances ... it's God's will. We can only do this through prayer and with Christ's power at work in us.

*Thank you, Lord,  
For Your sovereign control over our circumstances  
For Your holy character in spite of our sinfulness  
For Your commitment to us even when we wander astray  
For Your Word that gives us direction  
For Your love that holds us close  
For Your gentle compassion in our sorrows  
For Your consistent faithfulness through our highs and lows...  
For Your understanding when we are confused  
For Your Spirit that enlightens our eyes  
For Your grace that removes our guilt. – Charles Swindoll*

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](mailto:sue@agcofcanada.com) or mail it to 1500 Kerns Rd., Burlington, ON L7P 3A7