

*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> Our **AGC REFRESH** pastoral ministry retreat *“Caring for the souls of those who care for others”* @ Church of the Open Bible, Swift Current, SK
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Our guest speakers at Our **AGC REFRESH** pastoral ministry retreat, **Russ Wilson, Lorne Meisner, Jim Houston, Rob Cochrane, Larry Rempel & Randy Fehr.**  
**AGC Algoma Area Ministry Leaders gathering at Calvary Gospel Church, Blind River, ON – Theme: Reflecting Theologically - Intimacy as Productivity**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Our **AGC Jr. High GETAWAY RETREAT – ON THE MOVE @ Muskoka Woods in Rosseau, ON.**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Our guest speaker at our **AGC Jr. High GETAWAY RETREAT, Rob Cripps** and Emcee: **Nick Pegg** along with **AGC House Band.**
- 5<sup>th</sup> **Russ Wilson** will be speaking at **Westside Bible Church in Victoria, B.C.** followed by a **One Hope National Conference in Victoria** where he will represent the **AGC.**
- 6<sup>th</sup> **Pastor Frank Humphrey (Daria) and family** from **Peoples Church in Montreal,** as Frank battles against a consistent infection.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Our **AGC** staff meeting that will take place this morning.
- 8<sup>th</sup> **AGC GTA/Chinese/Filipino Ministry Leaders gathering at Bridletowne Park Church, Toronto, ON** Theme: *Reflecting Theologically - Intimacy as Productivity*
- 9<sup>th</sup> **AGC Eastern Ontario Ministry Leaders gathering at Calvary Bible Church, Smith Falls, ON** Theme: *Reflecting Theologically- Intimacy as Productivity*
- 10<sup>th</sup> **Pastor Tim Wai (Christina)** from **Simply Church, Waterloo, ON** is having chemotherapy treatments.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Our staff at **Fair Havens** under the leadership of **Executive Director Liz Thompson (John)** as we praise God for the ministry of **Fair Havens.**
- 12<sup>th</sup> **Calvary Church, St. Catharines, ON** as they celebrate the induction of **Pastor Andrew McGrath (Sarah).**  
**Bill Fietje** is speaking at **Albion Hills Bible Church, Palgrave, ON.**
- 13<sup>th</sup> **Outbound City Church, Mississauga, ON (Pastor Jonathan Edralin (Carmi)),** as they follow God’s call to ministry on Manitoulin Island by Sept. 2018. Pray specifically for work for Carmi on the island and for finding a new home.
- 14<sup>th</sup> For renewal for our church that we may see conversions and new disciples.  
**Église Évangélique de Deux-Montagnes, Montreal, QC**
- 15<sup>th</sup> **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.
- 16<sup>th</sup> **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. Pray for **Bill and Lois’s** trip to **Nova Scotia** over these next few days as they visit our churches.
- 17<sup>th</sup> **Interim Canada East Superintendent, Rev. Tom Lamshead (Karen)** as he ministers to our **AGC** churches in the East.
- 18<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Glenn Rider (Bonnie),** ministering as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials.**
- 19<sup>th</sup> **Silver Height Bible Church, Weyburn, SK** as they celebrate the induction of **Rev. Ken Easterbrook (Cathy).**  
**Meadow Creek Community Church, Hamilton, ON,** as we try to reach our community for Christ and a fresh vision from God about our future.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Our **Community Dinner** held every Tuesday evening, that we will have opportunity to share the message of Christ. **Calvary Church, Toronto, ON**
- 21<sup>st</sup> **AGC Quebec Director, Rev. Del Gibbons (Barb)** as he ministers to our pastors and churches throughout **Quebec.**
- 22<sup>nd</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**
- 23<sup>rd</sup> **Countryside Community Church, (an AGC Church Plant), Oro-Medonte, ON,** as they continue to impact their community for Christ.

- 24<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Russ Wilson (Sue)** in his role as **AGC Superintendent for Canada West.**
- 25<sup>th</sup> **Delburne Gospel Church, Delburne, AB**, as we continue to look to the Lord for a Youth Pastor.
- 26<sup>th</sup> **Bethel Bible Church, Seaforth, ON** as they celebrate the induction of **Pastor Laurie Morris (Anne).**  
**Milliken Gospel Church, Markham, ON** as they celebrate the induction of **Children's Pastor, Amy Chow.**
- 27<sup>th</sup> **Elva** (wife of **Pastor Wayne Foster**) and family as **Elva** needs prayer for daily strength and encouragement.
- 28<sup>th</sup> **AGC Canada West Associate Superintendent Rev. Lorne Meisner (Esther)** as he ministers to our churches in **Manitoba.**
- 29<sup>th</sup> For wisdom and fruit in peoples' lives as the church is meeting in groups in several homes. **Église Évangélique de Blainville, QC**
- 30<sup>th</sup> **Two Hills Fellowship Chapel, Two Hills, AB**, that the Lord would oversee and direct us as we engage a pastoral intern until *June 2018.*

*"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](mailto:sue@agcofcanada.com)*



## What a Wonderful World

We've all had those days. Days when our world doesn't seem all that wonderful. If you start your day by watching the morning news, that alone can do you in. Then, there are traffic jams, the usual on-the-job pressures, relationship issues and various other frustrations that can fill our days. Press the re-play button. Start each day with the Good News. Begin in God's Word and, bravely outfitted with the full armour of God, go out into the world and observe your surroundings. It is a wonderful world! It really is! Despite the wars and rumours of war, despite the terrorist attacks, hurricanes, floods and horrific crimes against humanity, ... our world is beautiful because of creation and because of Jesus. Our world is beautiful because His light is shining ... and it's shining in us and from us!

Recently, while nearing the end of one of those "not so wonderful days" I listened to Louis Armstrong's beautiful rendition of "What a Wonderful World." It is soulful. I think we could sing this in an attitude of worship. The lyrics brings tears to my eyes.

I see trees of green, red roses too  
 I see them bloom for me and you  
 And I think to myself what a wonderful world

I see skies of blue and clouds of white  
 The bright blessed day, the dark sacred night  
 And I think to myself what a wonderful world

The colors of the rainbow so pretty in the sky  
 Are also on the faces of people going by  
 I see friends shaking hands saying how do you do  
 They're really saying I love you

I hear babies crying, I watch them grow  
 They'll learn much more than I'll never know  
 And I think to myself what a wonderful world

***The whole earth is filled with awe at Your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, You call forth songs of joy.*** Psalm 65:8

***Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts.*** Psalm 105:2

***Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for mankind.*** Psalm 107:21

When we lay our heads down on our pillow and review all the beautiful moments that took place throughout our day, there is always some wonder to reflect on. Seeing God's beauty in the ordinary takes some practice, but through His Spirit He expands our thinking. It's sometimes called windows to the soul. Treasures of beauty and wonder can be found, even in the darkest places. Thank-you Lord, it really is a wonderful world.