For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- 1<sup>st</sup> AGC Regional Quebec Director, Rev. Virgil Jones, and his wife Toni as he serves our churches in Quebec.
- The community dinners taking place every Tuesday night at Calvary Church,
  Toronto, ON. "Pray for the safety of our guests and for spiritual conversations to take place with our 30-plus volunteers from Calvary Church."
  Rev. Daniel Winter, Senior Pastor
- AGC East Regional Director, Rev. Dr. Tom and Karen Lambshead as Tom ministers to our churches throughout Ontario and Nova Scotia. Tom will be officiating today in an Elder's Dedication Service and sharing the Word at Redeemer Bible Church, Niagara Falls, ON.
  - **Rev. Bill Allan** as he shares from God's Word today at **Waterford Bible** Church, Waterford, ON.
- 4<sup>th</sup> AGC West Regional Director, Rev. Rob and Wendy Cochrane as Rob gives leadership to our Western churches.
- 5<sup>th</sup> The Southwest Ontario Ministry Leaders Gathering at The Rock Community Church, Woodstock, ON.
- 6<sup>th</sup> The AGC Canada West Council Meeting taking place today via Zoom.
- 7<sup>th</sup> The **Northen SK Pastors Café** taking place today at **Calvary Church**, **Saskatoon**, **SK**.
- 8<sup>th</sup> AGC East Sr. High STRIVE RETREAT taking place at Muskoka Woods today through Sunday.
- 9th STRIVE RETREAT

Pray for the Strive Leadership, for the speaker and the worship band and all those taking part. Pray for safety, friendships, and a time of spiritual renewal.

- 10<sup>th</sup> Our young people at **STRIVE**, that lives will be changed, and new faith commitments will be made.
  - **Rev. Rob Cochrane** as he shares God's Word today at **Emmanuel Grace** Church, Eastend, SK.

- AGC President, Rev. Bill and Michele Allan. May God give Bill wisdom, guidance, and strength as he serves our AGC National team and our churches.
- Alex & Amber Bojórquez (Pastor at Maryfield AGC, Maryfield, SK). Their son Leonardo has a surgery date for the closing of his palate. This will be on March 18<sup>th</sup>. The recovery will be quite intense. Please pray for this family.
- 13<sup>th</sup> The AGC planning committees and staff who are meeting and planning the details for the 2024 AGC East and AGC West Regional Conferences.
- 14<sup>th</sup> The SW Sask. Pastors Café taking place at Church of the Open Bible, Swift Current, SK.
- Pastor Jeff and Alanna Peacock and family (Pastor of Somerset Bible Chapel, Somerset, MB.) Pray for renewed health and strength for Jeff as he continues to struggle with health issues related to cancer.
- Susan Davis, AGC Compassion and Justice Coordinator, as she serves our Lord. Pray for Community Bible Church in Stittsville, ON as they work with people in their community to sponsor three different families.
- 17<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Tom Lambshead** as he shares God's Word today at **Fair Havens Community Church, Beaverton, ON.**
- 18<sup>th</sup> AGC Financial Administrator, Samantha Manaloto as she serves our association in this vital role.
- 19<sup>th</sup> The AGC Staff Meeting taking place today. May our team be guided by His Spirit and strengthened in their ministry roles.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Rev. Dr. Paul and LaFaye Brittain as Paul ministers in his role as AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials.
- 21st Blainville Church, Quebec (re-establishment) and Rockland Church, as in each case we need a worker/missionary to come along and support each French church project. Pray for the growing Rockland community, the outreach program for the year and the incorporation process.
- Pastors to fill roles in these AGC East churches: Milliken Gospel Church, Markham, ON, WestVillage Church, Ottawa, ON, Fair Havens Community Church, Beaverton, ON, New Life Christian Assembly, Toronto, ON, Calvary Church, Blind River, ON, Maple Creek Community Church, Dunnville, ON.

- AGC East Associate Regional Director, Rev. John and Peggi Garner as John ministers to our churches and pastors throughout the East.
- Rev. Rob Cochrane as he shares God's Word today at Church of the Open Bible, Swift Current, SK.
  - Rev. Lorne Meisner as he shares God's Word today at Glenboro Bible Chapel, Glenboro, MB.
- For **President Bill Allan and all evangelical denominational** leaders as they attend the **EFC Denominational Leaders** meetings today through Wednesday in Toronto.
  - More people to hear and respond to the gospel message and know the love of Christ. AOK Church, Aundek Omni Kaning, ON.
- Pastors to fill roles that are vacant in the following AGC West churches: Cornerstone Gospel Church, Mossbank, SK, Biggar Associated Gospel Church, Biggar, SK, Living Hope Bible Church, Prince Albert, SK.
- AGC West Associate Regional Director, Rev. Lorne and Esther Meisner as Lorne gives leadership to our churches in Manitoba.
- AGC Church Relations Coordinator/Benefits Manager, Susan Page as she serves our AGC staff and our churches.
- 29<sup>th</sup> **GOOD FRIDAY!** (Office Closed) Pray for a time of meaningful reflection on the powerful sacrificial story of our Lord's death on the cross.
- The many who will attend church tomorrow who don't regularly attend. May the salvation message be strong and true. May God's Spirit prepare the hearts of many to receive the good news of the Gospel!
- "Up from the grave He arose!" Praise God for the victory won! He conquered death, Hallelujah!

**Rev. Rob Cochrane** as he shares God's Word today at **Gleichen Community** Church, **Gleichen**, **AB**.

Do you have a prayer concern you'd like to submit to share with AGC churches nationwide? If so, e-mail it to the AGC Office at <a href="mailto:sue@agcofcanada.com">sue@agcofcanada.com</a>



## Prayer Guide March 2024

## Do the Right Thing

It is said, "Do the right thing and the feelings will follow." What exactly does this mean? Well, sometimes it goes against every emotion in us to extend forgiveness or offer love and kindness when we interact with someone who has wronged us. Yet when we do the right thing, with God's help, the feelings will eventually follow.

One evening, while reading Scripture, a passage jumped off the page and highlighted this point. As it often is, it was the example set by Jesus who always demonstrated love even in the most trying of circumstances. Picture the scene, where Jesus has been praying in the Garden of Gethsemane. He is exhausted having poured out His soul to His Father, asking that the cup of suffering pass Him by. Yet, still, despite His heartfelt plea, He prayed, "Not my will Father, but Thine be done." Jesus also faced discouragement and disappointment when His closest friends could not stay awake and support Him just when He needed them most.

Enter Judas and the soldiers, part of a crowd of people with swords and clubs approaching Jesus and the disciples. Judas identifies Jesus with a kiss and that betrayal must have felt like a knife piercing His heart. The hostility was coming from all sides, and yet, even when one of those who was with Jesus drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest cutting off his ear, what did Jesus do? He did, as always ... the right thing! Despite what was happening to Him, with a touch, He restored the man's ear. What amazing love.

This brought me to a place of deep reflection and soul-searching. Jesus was facing the worst of the worst. He was about to be taken to a place where He would be beaten, mocked, tortured, and crucified on a wooden beam. Jesus our Righteous Redeemer, who even on the cross amid excruciating suffering said, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." Jesus, as always did the right thing, even in the hardest moments as feelings of love and forgiveness were graciously offered to the world. So, the powerful words our Master Teacher spoke, like "turn the other cheek", "pray for your enemy" and many others, are lessons Jesus not only taught but modelled for us here on earth. Can we do the right thing even if we don't feel like it, waiting for the feelings that may take time to come? Yes, we can but only by God's grace and through His strength, given us through our Lord Jesus.

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13).