

Grace Baptist Church

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST December 17, 2008

If you have a prayer request or praise, please email Trish Lindsay at secretary@grace4u.com or by phone @424-9623 by Tuesdays at noon.
For emergencies during non-business hours, please contact one of the Elders listed below.
Ray Brown, 595-7032; Bob Bragdon, 424-0912; Donald Busch 665-9250

OUR CHURCH

Pray for our Leadership as they continue seeking God's direction for our church.

Grace Christian School

Pray for our families and teachers that have been battling the stomach flu and bad colds.

OUR PEOPLE

Family

Pray for the safety and endurance of the electric utility workers and for the families that are still without power.

Please pray for Trinity Baptist Church as they continue their search for a new youth pastor.

Pray for Kathy DeFilippo's nephew Scott. He's in jail in Atlanta and will probably be there for a while. This time he will have mandatory programs he has to attend. He is a very troubled man and is not saved.

Pray that Alicia Brown finds work in December and January. So far she only has 3-1/2 days scheduled to work in December. She needs to earn \$4,500 for her upcoming trip to the Malaria Research Institute at Macha, Zambia, Africa through Messiah College.

Health

Pray for Ruth Stinson who had a fall on December 7 and was in the hospital. She has been moved to Hackett Hill Healthcare Center for physical therapy to build up her strength and she will probably be there for a couple of weeks. She is ok, but feeling tired. Her son Doug will be in NH until Saturday. Her room telephone number is 665-9403 and the address for anyone who wants to send a card is: Ruth Stinson, Hackett Hill Healthcare Center, 191 Hackett Hill Road, Manchester, NH 03102.

Please pray for Steve, an acquaintance of Ray Brown's. He is in the end stages of prostate cancer and is a believer. Pray for God's healing hand and he and his wife's spiritual strengthening during his trial.

Continue to pray for strength and healing for Karen Johnson's father. He is weak from not eating much.

Pray for Kathy DeFilippo's mom in Florida. She was recently told to be thinking about what she wants to do when her kidney's fail. The doctor abruptly mentioned dialysis, but did not recommend it. He has taken her off some of her blood pressure medicine in hopes of turning the kidney function around. Please pray that her kidney functions show improvement in the next several weeks and her blood pressure remains good. More lab work will be done before Christmas.

Continue to pray for Barb Clark as she pursues pain relief in her back. Pray that God would grant her wisdom as she seeks additional measures for pain relief.

OUR WORLD

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT –

Ted and Ruth Brewer; 24 Maywood Drive, Nashua, NH 03064, 603-881-9387, newpeace@verizon.net

New Peace Network-reconciliation and renewal,

Request: Ted has been having constant neck pain and frequent hand numbness. The MRI he went for last Friday went very well. The Lord guided him to a new, powerful MRI machine nearby that cut the test time in half. They are trusting God to guide the radiologist reading the images to have wisdom in determining whether arthroscopic surgery would be advantageous at this time.

Ted and Debbie Child, Amanda & Lindsay; 1248 Poplar Ave., Mountainside, NJ 07092; tedchild@alum.mit.edu or debbiechild@alumni.brown.edu (Debbie, Amanda & Lindsay)

Campus Crusade-East Asia.

Request: Ted had lunch with a friend James, who came to Christ 10 yrs ago through their ministry. He is now a pastor of a house church of about 50 Asian believers – about 80% who came to Christ through campus ministry. These new believers dread seeing their parents who disapprove of their faith and involvement in the ministry. The Child's recently partnered with a church in the U.S. to hold a parents retreat. They sent over 6-7 older believers from the same culture and they shared their perspective of why they follow Christ and told the parents that their children are doing the right thing and could be proud of them. Parents of 9 of their key disciples went away truly blessed, 2 came to Christ.

Rev. William and Karen Paige; 279 Shaker Rd., Concord, NH 03301, 603-228-2416; wpaige@juno.com
Community Chaplains Service Inc. (P.O. Box 117, Foxboro, MA 02035); NH National Guard/Nursing Home Chaplain in Concord and Manchester.

Praise: For residents Jon, Dorothy and Steven that Bill led to salvation!

Request: Support still not at needed level, YTD need: \$21,681 and actual is \$14,653.73.

Jason and Mandy Post, Emma, Zoe, Ruby; 2 Liosmore, Cappagh Road, Galway, Republic of Ireland, 469-765-3570 (5 hours ahead of EST), jasonpost@mac.com, www.theposts.org;

World Venture-church planting

Request: Their visa renewal could be in jeopardy. The Irish government feels they are being taken advantage of by people coming in on religious visas. They will also be applying for citizenship around the 1st of the year. This is a 30 month process with no guarantee it will be granted. Pray the Lord will intervene in both situations. They continue to meet in the hotel with about 50 attendees, some being non-believers and some having lost their jobs. One of their biggest outreach events is coming up. They will have a Candlelight Christmas Carol service on Dec. 21st. Pray that the non-believers would be touched when God speaks thru Jason presenting the gospel. They will have their final University DVD outreach night in early December.

Bill & Mary Scarpitta, Nicholas, Michael, Daniel; Krasnodar, Russia, now at 21 Robbins St. Brick, NJ 08724, scarpittas@hotmail.com

World Venture-church planting.

Request: Pray that Mary's pain level goes way down so that they could return to Russia. Continue to pray for Nick's treatment for tuberculosis. Please also pray for the church and all believers in Georgia for strength and protection during this time of war.

Greg & Asa Swenson, Micah, Jonah, Karin, Ellen; 1808 Pierce St. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, H-612-781-7452, gaswenson@usfamily.net,

World Venture-appointed to Japan.

Request: Their support/commitment level has increased to about 70%. 40 or more individuals and churches are needed to partner with them in their ministry in Japan. They would like to depart no later than March 2009. Pray as they prepare their hearts for what lies ahead and guide them according to His will. They thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy and love sent to them on the passing of Asa's mother into the presence of her savior.

Ralph & Sandra Thompson, Ryan, Alyssa, Alana; P.O. Box 99078, Mombasa, Kenya 80107, 011-254-041-2490321; rpthompson@worldventure.net, www.thompsonforkenya.com

World Venture-church planting.

Praise: Good trip back to Kenya; their church in Mombasa is continuing strong; opportunity for Ralph to mentor

believers involved in ministry; opportunity for Sandra to lead a children's choir for a Christmas musical.

Request: Need \$435 more a month; replicate Asian fellowship to those from a more orthodox Sunni background to provide a contextualized and safe environment for seekers; good health (been suffering with conjunctivitis, fevers, virus', stomach issues and Ryan treated for latent inactive TB)

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORTED THAT RETIRED THIS YEAR –

Alex & Kathy Katona (served in Hungary); 1123 Larkspur Lane, Dallas, NC 28034, 704-922-43679

Tom & Kelly Mitchell, Emily, Bethany, Paul, James [served in Peru]; 9993 Rt. 32, Freehold, NY 12431, 518-634-7288, tkebpitchell@msn.com.

Praise: They are settling in nicely. Kelly is a substitute teacher at the kid's school and the girls are in soccer and the school musical. Their family is very involved in their church.

Ann Young (served in Philippines); P.O. Box 463, Brunswick, Maine, 04011, 207-729-0370, annyoung8@aol.com.

Request: Need for teachers for missionary kids (future missionaries); train nationals in Bible colleges and seminaries to train others; new missionaries to adjust to the culture; for Carmen and her school.

Address for NE World Venture: Andy & Nancy Spohrer; 444 Stillwater Ave., Bangor, ME 04401, 888-224-4546, Fax: 207-234-2939.