

Grace Baptist Church

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST March 25, 2009

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.

Please pray for GBC as we begin plans for our VBS program. We have set the date for June 22-26 or June 29-July 3, depending when the local schools have finished. Please pray about how God would have you participate.

Grace Christian School

Praise God for the new student inquiries, registrations and re-enrollments that came in this week! Continue to pray for our current families as they make decisions for next year.

Pray as we seek a new location for Grace Christian School.

OUR PEOPLE

Praise

Praise for Kathy DeFilippo's niece's son, Aiden! The CT scan he had yesterday (the Dr. thought that possibly his head was too large for his age) came back showing no problems. Alicia is SO relieved. She was able to go in with him wearing that heavy vest to protect her from the radiation and Aiden was wrapped in something similar. The machine rotated around his head and "took pictures" for about 15 minutes. No sedation at all. Praise God!

Praise that Karen Johnson's fathers (Mr. Hallam) latest test showed that he was free of cancer.

Family/Friends

Please be praying for the ladies at the NH State Prison for Women, as God prepares their hearts for a weekend seminar on Apr 3-5.

Please pray for the following people who are unemployed: John DeFilippo's cousin, Lucia, Nancy Busch's brother Mark, Mrs. Mendola (G.C.S. parent).

Continue to pray for Kathy DeFilippo's nephew Scott. He is now in the program at St Jude's Recovery Center, Atlanta, GA. Please keep him in your prayers as he struggles to change his life. Pray that he will accept his need for God's grace and embrace the love and peace only God can give. He will be in this program for 6 months.

Health

Pray for Karen Johnson's mother, Mrs. Hallam. The Dr.'s found a mass on her adrenal gland and she is having a test later this week to determine what it is. Pray for wisdom for the doctors and comfort and healing for her.

Pray for Donnice Weitemeyer's mom who fell twice and is struggling with dementia. She is still in rehab. Pray for healing, comfort, strength and wisdom for the family.

Continue to pray for Pam Clark as she continues her journey with breast cancer. She will be having surgery on April 3rd. Pray for wisdom for the doctors, strength and complete healing.

Continue to pray for Barb Clark as she pursues pain relief in her back. She saw a spine surgeon on March 20th and at this point surgery is not an option due to the stress fracture and condition of her bones. This was very discouraging. She will be receiving steroid injections to help with the pain. Pray the injections work and for comfort, wisdom and healing.

Continue to pray for Sarah Andrade. They are keeping her in the hospital to keep her blood pressure under control. She is in her 32nd week and the plan is to keep her there and carry the twins to term if possible. Her original due date is 5/19. Spirits are good and Ed is managing by working from home and caring for Maddie.

Please continue to pray for Kathy DeFilippo's Mom. She saw the cardio Dr. last week and he was pleased with her blood pressure although it is still fluctuating. At this point they won't be doing the test to look for a blockage.

Please continue to pray for Alan Gross (Gerry Ferrin's son in-law). He underwent a liver transplant in a Pa. hospital yesterday. Pray for healing and comfort for the family.

OUR WORLD

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT –

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

New Peace Network-reconciliation and renewal,

Request: Ted had his final surgery and it went well. It was not as grueling as the previous procedure. Time will tell how much pain has been relieved. Ted is also now dealing with a bad case of shingles and is planning to fly home tomorrow, March 26. Please pray for comfort and quick healing as it is quite painful and that nobody he has come in contact with contracts shingles. Continue to pray that the insurance pays for the procedure and that Ted receives some level of pain relief. Pray for wisdom for both Ted and Ruth for future treatment.

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 spoke at the men's retreat attended by mostly students at universities in their region and it went well. Pray that these men continue to follow the Lord and put the lessons learned at the retreat into their lives. Debbie and the girls had a good time ministering and being encouraged by the other women at their retreat. The retreat speaker was a co-worker of the Child's in VA. They are asking the Lord to transform their whole region with the light of the gospel and they can be a blessing to the rest of the country even to other nations. They want to reach out to different ethnic groups. Ted will be traveling with a local brother to a nearby country to see if there is a ministry opportunity for their students this summer.

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.

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: Please pray for first generation converts that God would help them withstand the immense pressure they face for deserting their families, religion and national identity. They had another Sunday with attendance at 65. They are beginning their month of prayer and series on evangelism. Jason met with Irish and local church leaders to pray for one another. Christian students on campus have organized a week of prayer in the city center during the same time as RAG on campus (where other students have drinking binges). They had 29 at their DVD night and good conversations with new folks. They had 21 in their kid's club. March 29th is "friend day" at church where outsiders will be invited and hope to make them feel welcome in church.

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

World Venture-church planting.

Request: They have left the missions field temporarily as Mary is still in pain and the doctor's don't know what is wrong. They have been living in NJ but will be moving to PA. Bill has been teaching high school math and computer science. They hope to eventually return to Russia.

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: Since their last prayer letter 2 churches and 9 individuals have either increased their support level or joined their team of financial partners. Their support package was increased by 6.5% as of January 2009 and the support commitment level has increased to 73% - only 27% to go. Please pray that the Lord would meet their remaining support needs this spring so they can begin taking concrete steps for an early to mid-summer departure.

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: Sandra's back has been doing much better.

Request: Ralph's mother's (Cathy) breast cancer surgery went ok, but they need to go in again and get a small amount of cancer that they missed. The cancer is non invasive so she won't need chemo. Pray for those they are discipling and/or mentoring and seeking. Pray for finances. They need \$678 more per month. They also need \$4,316 for World Venture's leaders meeting, and conference for those involved in theological education and leadership training and for modular program in apologetics through the University.