



## Prayer requests for



March 22, 2020

Pray that our church would have an increasing burden to go to every person with the Gospel, bring people to Christ, and train them to train others in this mission.

### Updates

**Jarrett and MarE Whitson** returned safely from India.

### Ongoing Health Concerns

**Brenda Edwards** – pray that scar tissue on her knee can be corrected with therapy so surgery is not needed.

**Dennis Hiatt** – recovery from a spinal cord stimulator implant.

**Lila Hula** – recovery from a second knee surgery.

**Jill Whitson** – recovery from shoulder surgery.

**Jim Musil** – recovery from shoulder surgery.

**Tim Fuller** – Jodi O'Neil's brother-in-law, - needs to get his A1C under 8.

**Magdi Azer** – Mona Musil's brother - his one kidney is failing and is waiting for a kidney transplant and facing possible dialysis.

### Our Church

Shut-ins: Mary Stillwell, Deb Chapman

Pray for those in the military: **Nick Boeschling** and family in England.

**Taylor Fahey**: Tim and Lana Stevenson's son – stationed at Canon Air force Base in Clovis, NM.

Elder: Doug Argo; Deacon: Dave Vogelsberg; Family: Arlan Argo

### Our Country/State/County/Town

\*Pray for president Trump, his cabinet, vice president Pence, Supreme Court Justices, our US Senators and Representatives, our governor, state senators and representatives, city administrator, our mayor, city council, county commissioners, county and city attorney, law enforcement, school administrators and teachers.

\*Pray for revival.

\*Pray for those who are affected by the coronavirus.

\*Pray for the families of those killed, and others affected by the tornado in Tennessee.

### Other Concerns

Pray for comfort for the family of **Kathryn Adkins** in their time of grief.

Pray for comfort for the Stevenson family in the death of Tim's brother **Chris Stevenson**.

**Eric and Sylvia Clacio** – that they receive their green card soon.

### Our Sister Church in Carmathe, Haiti

Pray that the church will develop a Biblical curriculum for the school.

### Our Persecuted Brothers and Sisters

**Myanmar (Burma)** - Christian faith in Burma traces its roots to the missionary efforts of Adoniram Judson, who arrived in 1813 with his wife, Ann. Many Bible schools exist throughout the country, and indigenous church planters and missionaries boldly proclaim the gospel. The church is growing despite widespread persecution by the government and the Buddhist majority. While political change has been much discussed in recent years, only superficial change has occurred. The military still effectively controls the country. Buddhist monks, in cooperation with government officials, are the major persecutors in Myanmar, but local officials and tribal militias also persecute Christians. Families and villagers who practice animism often persecute those who convert to Christianity. The widespread, long-running civil war directly affects Christians when they are targeted for attack by the warring factions. Villagers with animistic beliefs take vengeance against Christians, claiming they are angering the local spirits. Church gatherings and church buildings are allowed in many parts of the country, but tolerance varies from state to state. Active believers who share their faith face difficulties. Within tribal groups, families oppose conversion and new believers are subject to close government monitoring. Recently, Buddhist monks have actively opposed new Christian converts and evangelists. In general, pastors are detained for a few days at a time. Bibles can be purchased and owned, but most people are not able to afford them. While bookstores in large cities sell Bibles, they are unavailable in many regions.

Rev. Ai was arrested in 2018 along with other Christian leaders during a separatist crackdown in Wa state. His family struggled while he was in prison, and members of the Wa State Army prevented other believers from helping them. Ai was released after several months, but the situation remains very difficult for Christians in the region. They are not allowed to meet for fellowship or even pray before meals, and pastors are strictly prohibited from leading church activities. Ai and his family would like to leave the area, but as members of the Wa ethnic group they are not allowed to move outside Wa state borders. Pray for Ai and his three children.