

Prayer List

Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

Kelsey Bayliss	Tom Tanner	Al Green
Layton Powell	Jackie Griffith	Sammy Jarrell
Kathy McReynolds	Agnes Thompson	Mary Crowder
Carl Sands	Betsy Biggerstaff	Anthony Newcomb
Susan Murray	Betty Thompson	Dorothy Driskill
Drew	Scott Carter	Bertha Arthur
Kenneth Layne	Carrie Stostetter	Frances Hawthorne
Frances Hawthorne	Otha Wilkins	Ginny Arthur
Charis Storms	Vernon and Virginia Gee	Penny Callis
Anthony Newcomb	Billy Hawthorne	Elaine Pearce
Dan Stienen	The family of Bernard	Edith and Raymond
Shiela Cage	Bottoms	Tanner
Tommy Cage	Michelle Honeycutt	Beth Burton
Marjorie Thompson	Jo Ann Vansickle	Wendy Ripberger
The Barnett family	Grace Marshall	All those who are
The Rash family	Hilda Ozlin	unemployed
Frances Seamans	Hazel Taylor	Gary Birkett
Cathy Crane	Ogburn Taylor	All servicemen and
Nancy Cox	Dee Welch	women
Jennifer Hudson	Mary Lee Leistra	Naleen Cardle
W.B. Hawthorne	John Sykes	Nancy Seamster and
Thomas Taylor	Dennis Hammond	family
Lucille Bragg	Junior McHenry	Charlotte Roberts and
Martha White	Edna Bagley	family
Jerry Davidson	Sallie Allgood	

Prayers for the church, nation, and world:

- For Charis Storms as she settles into life in the Mongolian countryside, that she would have wisdom in establishing the new non-profit organization
- For "The Gathering," a new United Methodist Church in Virginia Beach who had all of their nursery, worship, and music supplies stolen this week
- For Egypt and Tunisia, for peaceful resolution to the current protests
- For all those in our local community who struggle to find employment
- For the new United Methodist Church plant in the Fort Lee area and for their pastor, Rev. Gina Anderson-Cloud, as they call people back to the church
- For the people of Belgium, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands

Others I would like to pray for:

Transformation Journal

February 6, 2011



Inviting you to daily time with God.

Every day the Transformation Journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

Sunday, February 6th

Sermon Notes:

Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-11. Are you a cheerful giver? Does giving bring you joy or is it painful to part with your money? Think about a time when giving was joyful. Why was giving a joy that time? Think about a time when you gave reluctantly. What made the difference?

Monday, February 7th

Read Luke 12:22-34. Does fear about the future and your financial security keep you from being generous? Think about a time when you were not generous because you were worried about having enough for yourself. What does this passage have to say to you in these situations?

Tuesday, February 8th

Read Luke 6:38. God promises to return blessing (not necessarily financial blessing!) on us “in the measure that we use.” So, we can expect abundant blessing if we give abundantly. How has God blessed you abundantly when you have been generous?

Wednesday, February 9th

Read Mark 12:41-44. Jesus explains that generosity is more about the cost to you than the amount you give. Many people will only give when they have an excess, so the giving does not really cost them anything. Are you willing to give sacrificially? How?

Thursday, February 10th

Read Genesis 12:1-4. God told Abraham that God would bless Abraham to be a blessing to others. This same idea is true for us. How have you used the blessings you have received to bless others?

Friday, February 11th

Read Acts 20:35. Do you believe that it is more blessed to give than to receive? Does your life reflect this? Are you more excited about giving or receiving? Find ways to celebrate giving!

Saturday, February 12th

Read Malachi 3:8-10. Are you willing to test God in this? What would it look like for you to change your spending habits to give God the first 10% of your income?

Sunday, February 13th

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: **“Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”**

Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; Colossians 3:12-25