# **Prayer List** Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

Lora and Larry Rawlings Becky Kelly Brenda Barnes and the Jerry Banis mission team in Edith Umberger Tennessee Kathy McReynolds Edith Tanner Carl Sands Bernard Nash Ima Brown Garv Birkett Lucille Bragg Beverly Hill Martha G. White Junior McHenry Bernard Bottoms George and Louise Marv Ellis Brame Susan Murray Edna Bagley Those traveling to Cape Jeff Hendricks Cod **Billy Daniels** Miners and families in Bertha Arthur Chile Virginia Overby Sheila Cage Gertrude Hite Marge Thompson Betty Roegge Tommy Cage Daniel Cook and family Hilda Ozlin Marvin Hazel Taylor Vicky

Frances Seamans Kay Davis Tom Tanner Jerry Davidson Lawrence and Charlotte Webb Scott Carter Otha Wilkins David Jones Dee Welch Billy Hawthorne Vernon Gee Virginia Gee Allen Alcock Brad Morris Kitty Springer Spencer Wallace David Branklev Eddie Allen Grant Cooper

#### Prayers for the church, nation, and world:

-For Charis Storms that she would have the wisdom and courage she needs for her relationships in Ulan Baatar, Mongolia

- -For the people of Mongolia, that they would hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ and not be confused by the many cults and sects coming into the country -For the millions of Americans whose homes are in foreclosure
- For the families of People in the Philippines and Vietnam killed by Super Typhoon Meg, the strongest cyclone to hit the region in four years
  For the new United Methodist Church plant in the Fort Lee area and for their pastor, Rev. Gina Anderson-Cloud, as they begin the STAND preschool
- -For the people of Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, and Maldives

#### Others I would like to pray for:





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, October 24th

Sermon Notes:

Why does humility matter?

Read Luke 18:9-14. Everything that the Pharisee mentions in his prayer has to do with what he does (count the times he says "I"!). When you talk with God are you focused on what you do or are you focused on what God does?

# Monday, October 25th

Read Luke 14:7-11. Jesus instructs his disciples on how to take the place of least honor, rather than the place of greatest honor in their society. What are the places of honor that people fight over today? How can we willingly take the places of least honor?

#### Tuesday, October 26th

Read Philippians 2:1-11. Take a few moments to consider the way that Jesus was wiling to humble himself when he left heaven to come to earth and be born into a poor, working-class family. What does Jesus' example teach us about humility?

### Wednesday, October 27th

Read 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. Through some sort of ailment (a "thorn in the flesh") Paul learns that following God is about relying on God's strength rather than relying on our own strength. Do you rely on God's strength? How?

# Thursday, October 28th

Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. Paul was determined that his actions would not point to himself, but rather that they would point to God. How do you act and live so as to draw attention to God rather than yourself?

### Friday, October 29th

Read Psalm 131. In its simplicity, this psalm embodies what it teaches—the importance of sitting before God in silence and stillness. Take some time to sit before God and encounter God's presence.

### Saturday, October 30th

Read 2 Chronicles 7:11-22. What role does humility play in the prayer that God will hear? How do we pray with humility? Are your prayers marked by humility?

#### Sunday, October 31st

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: Habakkuk 1-2; Psalm 51; 2 Thessalonians 1; Luke 19:1-10