



Prayer and Praise

Prayer is one of the most loving gifts we can give. When we bring the needs of others before our heavenly Father – whether it be for healing, encouragement, comfort or more – we invoke the most powerful help available.

- ♥ Please be in *prayer*, encouraging our shut-ins: **Vic Brown** (Perley-Rideau), **Darrell and Glenna Dickinson** (home), **Joyce Galbraith** (Starwood), **Cora Greene** (New Orchard Lodge), **Lil MacNaughton** (Grace Manor), **Frank and Betty Moir** (P.D. Clark), **Jean Mulder** (home), **Cheryl Osborne** (home), **Daphne Phillips** (West End Villa), **Marion Rotar** (home), and **Audrey Rourke** (home), **Harold and Ida Sharpe** (home).
- ♥ **Kamp Agaptee** is scheduled for July 28-August 01 and August 11-15. This year their vision will be “*building relationships with people in the community through sports and reaching kids for Christ*”. Ministry Opportunity - 4 volunteers needed per week, plus people to help with registration, snack providers and billets etc. If you can come alongside and help please speak with Pastor Steve.
- ♥ *Pray* for **Roy Carey**, who has been diagnosed with non-Hodgkins Lymphoma cancer; *pray* for strength as he undergoes chemo treatment and for God’s grace and peace for him and his family.
- ♥ *Continue to pray* for **Frank Gardiner** who is at home. *Pray* for full strength to return and that his “counts” would remain stable.
- ♥ Continue to *pray* for **Donald Dahms** as he continues to experience some discomfort from a kidney stone; pray that the stone would pass quickly and without much difficulty.
- ♥ *Pray* for **Pastor Steve**, our **youth** and those working within our youth ministry. *Pray* for our teen’s spiritual development and for those that they are reaching out to. *Pray* for opportunities to share their faith and for hearts that would be receptive to God’s Word. *Pray* also for our young adults group (C&C) and for those involved in this ministry.
- ♥ *Praise God* for the good results (benign) from **Elaine Trigg’s** surgery; continue to *pray* for her as she is at home recovering.
- ♥ *Pray* for **Daphne Phillips** who was moved to Extendacare West End Villa; *pray* for an easy adjustment to her new surroundings and for her ability to make new friends quickly.
- ♥ *Pray* for **Jennifer McFarlane**; she is experiencing cut-backs at work.

Mission Prayer Focus

Power to Change (formerly Campus Crusade)

I am writing today from Thailand, where I am receiving shocking reports of the devastation that has rocked the country of Myanmar. As the death toll eclipses 22,000, with 41,000 still missing and unaccounted for, humanitarian aid agencies from around the world are clamouring to distribute some much needed relief and medical assistance to the cyclone victims along the Delta coast. This is the deadliest natural disaster to hit the country in modern history, forcing the military junta government to declare a nationwide state of emergency and issue a formal (and rare) appeal for international assistance in the face of this escalating humanitarian crisis.

Power to Change has several Ministry Partners working in Myanmar and today they need our help. Major concerns in the wake of this destruction include clean, portable drinking water, medical assistance for the injured, adequate shelter for survivors who have lost their homes, restoration of basic systems such as transportation and power, and food. International relief agencies are collaborating as we speak to bring many of these items to the helpless victims of this terrible disaster, but more help is needed.

Our humanitarian aid agency Global Aid Network GAIN, via the GAIN Australian office, is ready to respond immediately to this urgent situation. An initial assessment of how best to deliver aid is still taking place. However we have a network of committed and trustworthy people on the ground ready to begin distribution of aid, including clothing, medical supplies and food.

Please *pray* with me for our friends and partners in Myanmar. We are currently trying to contact them; however basic communication has become challenging as phone lines across the country have been rendered unusable. Also, *pray* that an agreement can be reached quickly with Myanmar's military government that will allow us to deliver these items to the victims of cyclone Nargis in a timely fashion.

We really appreciate all you do in partnership with us to help share the love of Christ. We'll keep you updated on this situation as it develops.

Friends of ABWE in Myanmar Affected by Cyclone

May 6, 2008

On Saturday, a deadly cyclone struck the southwestern part of Myanmar (formerly Burma). News reports have listed at least 20,000 dead and possibly a million homeless in Yangon (the former capital) and four other districts of the third world country. The total scale of destruction is unknown and information hard to get as the military-controlled government continues assessing the damage to the tribal villages and outlying areas.

For many years ABWE has assisted dear Christian friends in this country through our Global Access Partnerships (GAP) ministry. Telephone and mobile phone service have been severed by the storm, and we have not yet been able to contact our friends through email. We are very concerned for the people of Yangon, especially these Christian brothers and sisters we know personally. News reports say food and clean water is lacking. ABWE has opened an account to assist our brothers and sisters in the recovery efforts. Teammates in neighboring countries are preparing to visit Myanmar as soon as they can get visas and seats on a plane. They will contact our partners, assess the damage and determine what we can do in the wake of this national disaster.

We will keep you updated, please *pray!*



May 11, 2008

Praying Through the Week

Monday – Our Missionaries

Tuesday – Our Ministries

Wednesday – Country

Pray for our leaders and those who don't know Christ.

Thursday – People

Pray for our church family.

Friday – Church

Pray for our Elder Board, Deacons and the financial needs of our church.

Saturday – Staff

Pray for ministry and Pastoral staff.

Sunday – Services

Pray for our service/programs and for those who are involved in ministry during this time.

God answers prayer. He answers it exactly the same way we would if we had infinite wisdom, love and power. Sometimes He gives us what we want, sometimes He gives us something better, but always what we need. Sometimes He answers our prayers quickly; at other times He teaches us to wait patiently.

“If ye ask anything in my name, I will do it.”

John 14:14