



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), **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** (Billingswood Manor), and **Audrey Rourke** (home), **Ida Sharpe** (home).
- ♥ Continue to *pray* according to God's will for **Jeanette Dahms**; she has finished her second round of chemo treatments. *Pray* for God's grace, mercy and peace for her, Donald and family.
- ♥ Continue to *pray* for **Frances Elliott** who is experiencing considerable discomfort as she awaits her upcoming surgery. **Ben** (grandson) has now been in hospital for 11 days since his relapse; he has had 5 days of intense chemo and his blood counts have all bottomed out as predicted. We are *praying* that we hear the word "remission" by the end of June so that we can be on our way shortly thereafter for the long-awaited bone marrow transplant. Thank you for *praying*from Lisa (mom).
- ♥ *Pray* for those who are **ill** and **in hospital** or **facing tests**.
- ♥ *Pray* for **unsaved** family members, friends and co-workers.
- ♥ *Pray* for our **ministry development and growth** here at AV.
- ♥ *Pray* for those in **work situations** where pressures and stresses are great.
- ♥ *Pray* for those that have **loss of income** and are **struggling financially** in these difficult economic times. May the Lord enable us by His grace to have wisdom to keep things in perspective during these unsettling days.
- ♥ *Pray* for **Kamp Agappae** which is scheduled for the week of July 27-31. Prayer partners are needed along with other opportunities for ministry. Check your schedule and then speak with Pastor Jim.
- ♥ *Pray* for **David MacBain** who is at home recuperating after a severe fall.
- ♥ *Pray* for the **marriages, spouses** and **children** in our AV families, that they would remain strong, united and faithful.

Mission Focus and Prayer Requests

The Paquins'

FEBC Quebec - Châteauguay

To the Hearts of Those Who Pray,

How we thank you for your prayers! We want to let you know how our "Breakfast of Hope" went last March. We had over 40 non-Christians with us. The gospel was proclaimed clearly through the testimony of one member of our church, Francine. The Lord was glorified by this. Anne made a profession of faith and is attending one of our small groups. *Pray* with us that the seeds planted will soon germinate!

We had a baptismal service this past Sunday. Gilles preached on the greatness of God from Isaiah. Unbelievers heard of God's greatness, holiness, wrath, and mercy to sinners. The testimonies of Ginette and Manon whom you have *prayed* for already were very clear. Ginette's daughter was born again and urged her mother to come to church with her when she was visiting in Châteauguay. Ginette came and really enjoyed the service. She was visited later by two women who shared the gospel with her. She shared how she was surprised that day to find out that she could be saved and that it had nothing to do with her good deeds. That same day, she made a profession of salvation, then got involved in a discipleship course and is growing in the Lord! Please *pray* for her adult son, Alain, who is closed to the gospel.

Manon came from a very different background, lots of trouble. One woman at church befriended her and invited her to come to a Sunday morning service. She sensed there was something 'in the air' that was special...something she did not have, but she was not ready to search for more. Soon, she reached the end of her road and decided to admit that there was a God...John 3:16 was shared with her...she understood then that Jesus was the key, the substitute for her. She shared that she was completely amazed that God would do that for sinners such as she. Manon has been following a course and we see real change in her for the glory of God. She is sad that her daughter has closed all contact with her. Please join us in *prayer* for this situation.

One guest, Marcel said that he thought God was great, but after the preaching realized that he was much greater than he thought!

Gilles had a good chat with him along with others that are part of the 'NET'. The 'NET' is a group of five adults who keep an eye out for newcomers and deliberately go out of their way to welcome them and reach out. Marcel seems to be close in making a profession of salvation. Thank you for *praying* for him.

We are grateful for your prayers for this ministry.

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.....Monday evening two brothers from the 'NET' went to visit Marcel...he was not there. They waited and prayed in their car...he arrived with a woman...who wanted to hear the gospel...they both made professions of salvation...how the angels rejoiced!



Did you know that.....every fifth person in the world is from an Islamic background? Islam is the second largest religion in the world – only Christianity has more adherents.

5 Pillars of Islam

1. **Creed** – There is no god except Allah and Muhammad is the Apostle of Allah. Repeating this creed with meaning is what makes one a Muslim.
2. **Prayer** – The remembrance of Allah's sovereignty on earth must be performed 5 times each day. On Fridays, early afternoon prayer should be in congregation, led by a local chief Muslim.
3. **Alms Giving** – Each Muslim should give one fortieth or two and a half percent of his fixed wealth in cash or in kind.
4. **Fasting** – Every day during Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic lunar year, the fast begins a dawn and ends at dusk. Those engaged in heavy labor are excused from fasting, as are children, the sick, and pregnant and nursing women. Night is a time of eating, drinking, socializing and praying.
5. **Pilgrimage** – Any able-bodied Muslim who can afford it must, once in his life, travel to Mecca.

.....more than anything else...it is a deep friendship relationship with a committed Christian that God has so often used to bring Muslims to Himself.



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Praying Through the Week

Monday – Our Missionaries

Tuesday – Our Ministries

Wednesday – Community and Country

Pray for our leaders and for those that 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.

WHEN WE PRAY in the Holy Spirit, we bring to God the things that come quite naturally to our minds, and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God, enables God to answer the prayer He Himself prays in your bodily temple and mine – that we may be the children of our Father which is in heaven. The Holy Spirit cannot delight in our wisdom; it is the wisdom of God he delights in.

Prayer A Holy Occupation - Oswald Chambers