

*A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are My disciples if you love one another” John 13: 34-35.*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- 1<sup>st</sup> The community dinners taking place every Tuesday night at **Calvary Church, Toronto, ON**. *“Pray for the safety of our guests and for spiritual conversations to take place with our 30-plus volunteers from Calvary Church.”*  
**Rev. Daniel Winter, Senior Pastor**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> **AGC West Regional Director, Rev. Rob and Wendy Cochrane** as Rob gives leadership to our Western churches.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> **Alex & Amber Bojórquez (Pastor at Maryfield AGC, Maryfield, SK)**. Their son **Leonardo** had surgery for the closing of his palate. The recovery will be quite intense. Please pray for this family.
- 4<sup>th</sup> **AGC Canada East Conference planning meeting** taking place today via Zoom.  
  
On *Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup>* **Rev. Paul Breiter** who served as an AGC pastor in *Lac Vert, Saskatchewan* for many years was killed in a car accident and taken home into the presence of his Lord. Please pray for his wife *Welma* and their adult children as well as the church family in *Melfort, Saskatchewan* where they currently attend.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Pastors to fill roles in these **AGC East churches: Milliken Gospel Church, Markham, ON, WestVillage Church, Ottawa, ON, Fair Havens Community Church, Beaverton, ON, New Life Christian Assembly, Toronto, ON, Calvary Church, Blind River, ON, Maple Creek Community Church, Dunnville, ON.**
- 6<sup>th</sup> **AGC East Regional Director, Rev. Dr. Tom and Karen Lambshead** as Tom ministers to our churches throughout Ontario and Nova Scotia.
- 7<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Rob Cochrane** as he shares the Word today at **Grassy Plains Gospel Church, Burns Lake, BC**.  
  
More people to hear and respond to the gospel message and know the love of Christ. **AOK Church, Aundek Omni Kaning, ON.**
- 8<sup>th</sup> **AGC Regional Quebec Director, Rev. Virgil Jones**, and his wife **Toni** as he serves our churches in Quebec.
- 9<sup>th</sup> The **AGC Staff Meeting** taking place today. May our team be guided by His Spirit and strengthened in their ministry roles.
- 10<sup>th</sup> **AGC West Associate Regional Director, Rev. Lorne and Esther Meisner** as Lorne gives leadership to our churches in Manitoba.
- 11 **AGC President, Rev. Bill and Michele Allan**. May God give Bill wisdom, guidance, and strength as he serves our **AGC National team** and our churches. Bill will travel to Quebec for meetings over the weekend.
- 12<sup>th</sup> For our **Quebec churches and pastors** as they share in the **AGCQ Annual General** meeting over this weekend under the direction of **Rev. Virgil Jones**.
- 13<sup>th</sup> The **AGC planning committees and staff** who are meeting and planning the details for the **2024 AGC East and AGC West Regional Conferences**.
- 14<sup>th</sup> **Calvary Church, St. Catharines, ON** is partnering with a church in Asia Minor and putting on a Cultural Exchange from **June 29 to July 14**. They are sending 8 university-age young adults to work with the believing students. Pray for effective witness of our team and the local believers and that eyes will be opened to the needs of the world.
- 15<sup>th</sup> **ORIENTATION** Pray for the **AGC Pastor Orientation** taking place in Paris, ON *today through Wednesday*.
- 16<sup>th</sup> **President Bill Allan, Rev. Tom Lambshead, and Rev. John Garner** as they teach and lead 11 pastors who will attend the **Pastor Orientation**.
- 17<sup>th</sup> The following pastors who are attending the **AGC Pastor Orientation**: *Taylor Lakatos, LIFE Church, Stratford, Daniel Critchlow, Bethel Church, Kingston, Shawn Van De Visch, The Gathering House, Chesterville, Daniel Muller, Connect Community Church, Hamilton, David Driver, Forest City Bible Church, London, Caleb Gagnier, WestVillage Church, Ottawa, Jason Duermeyer, Grace Community Bible Church, Shawville QC, Alvin Carreon, God’s Dwelling Place, Brampton, Ryan Skaling, Peoples Church, Truro, NS, Kevin Wang, Scarborough Chinese Gospel Church, Scarborough, Andrew Brown, Bethel Bible Church, Seaforth.*
- 18<sup>th</sup> **AGC Board Meeting** taking place today via Zoom.
- 19<sup>th</sup> **Pastor Jeff and Alanna Peacock and family (Pastor of Somerset Bible Chapel, Somerset, MB.)** We are thankful for answered prayers for renewed health and strength for Jeff.
- 20<sup>th</sup> **Rev. Dr. Paul and LaFaye Brittain** as Paul ministers in his role as **AGC National Coordinator of Doctrine and Credentials**.



- 21<sup>st</sup> Susan Davis, **AGC Compassion and Justice Coordinator**, as she serves our Lord. Pray for **Garside Bible Church** as they walk alongside Afghan newcomers who had to flee the Taliban as they now adjust to life in Canada.
- Rev. Rob Cochrane** as he shares God's Word today at **Biggar Assicated Gospel Church, in Biggar, SK.**
- 22<sup>nd</sup> **AGC East Associate Regional Director, Rev. John and Peggi Garner** as John ministers to our churches and pastors throughout the East.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> **AGC Eastern ON, Ministry Leaders Gathering** taking place today at **The MET, Ottawa, ON.**
- 24<sup>th</sup> **AGC Financial Administrator, Samantha Manaloto** as she serves our association in this vital role.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Pastors to fill roles that are vacant in the following **AGC West churches: Cornerstone Gospel Church, Mossbank, SK, Biggar Associated Gospel Church, Biggar, SK, Living Hope Bible Church, Prince Albert, SK.**
- 26<sup>th</sup> **AGC West Regional Conference, - "Salt & Light"** taking place today through to the 28<sup>th</sup> at *Gateway Bible Church* in beautiful Diamond Valley, Alberta.
- 27<sup>th</sup> **AGC West Regional Conference, - "Salt & Light"** – please be in prayer for Ministry Leader speaker, **Steve Witmer** and Conference speaker, **Dr. Josiah Boyd.**
- 28<sup>th</sup> **AGC West Regional Conference, - "Salt & Light"** – pray for safe travels for the many conference delegates, pastors, wives, guest speakers, and **AGC staff** who are travelling home today.
- 29<sup>th</sup> **AGC Church Relations Coordinator/Benefits Manager, Susan Page** as she serves our **AGC staff** and our churches.
- 30<sup>th</sup> **AGC Southwestern ON Ministry Leaders Gathering** taking place today at **The Rock Bible Church, Woodstock, ON.**

### Around our Crowded Table

I have had the wonderful opportunity of attending several *Momentum Choir* performances. The Momentum Choir *"is a collective of amazing people striving for community, joy, and hope."* Choir Director, *Mendelt Hoekstra* is a Music Therapist who felt a calling to begin something new as he recognized the difference music and performance can make in the lives of people with developmental disabilities.

The theme for the night was *"Around our Crowded Table"* and it was a night of pure inspiration, overflowing with enthusiasm, joy, and love. The feeling was contagious, and the message for the evening was a powerful message of love and acceptance!

Inserted between the musical numbers were video vignettes where choir members shared what the theme meant to them. A common thread was woven throughout the evening. Stories were revealed of abuse in the form of mockery, and non-acceptance making each member feel like there was no room at any table for them ... until ... it happened! One man's passion turned things around. Amazingly, this choir has grown to 100 members with other chapters starting in different communities. These choir members began to feel acceptance when they engaged in a musical program and rose to the challenge of performing. A table that once seemed off-limits had now been turned into a crowded table.

During the presentation, I truly sensed that God was in this place and imagined that He would be smiling. The gift of music, vulnerable storytelling and what can be accomplished through one man's calling and the sacrifice of many volunteers is inspiring. Everyone craves acceptance. Knowing we are valued, loved, and accepted by God is the most important truth. Being loved and accepted by others, even when we're different from one another is a truth that needs to be modeled.

Let's keep our table open no matter our comfort level because God will reveal so much to us when we interact with those who have challenges, and doesn't that include each one of us? God designed each of us uniquely and He has a good plan, and part of that plan is that we make room at the table for all to be welcomed.

***"For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. Luke 22:27.***

Do you have a prayer concern you'd like to submit to share with AGC churches nationwide? If so, e-mail it to the AGC Office at [sue@agcofcanada.com](mailto:sue@agcofcanada.com)