

## Factoryville Bible Church Prayer Requests

April 24, 2024

### PRAISE

Jennifer Homan is out of ICU and off the ventilator!  
154 campers are registered in Camp Elvin!  
The baby shower for Lidi Sexton was a great time of encouragement and fellowship!

### THOSE WHO ARE ILL

1. Health Problems and Daily Encouragement:  
Jim Jennett, Jim Griffin, Sam Collins, Nelda Mikolajczyk, Staci Stuart
2. Sandy Nelson ~ Continued improvement and help with her car situation
3. Melanie Bingaman has Multiple Sclerosis and also Hashimoto's Disease, an autoimmune disease. She is waiting results from testing at Cleveland Clinic.
4. Tim Yancer, Phyllis Pifer's son-in-law, is holding on receiving treatments. His medication should arrive soon.
5. Chuck Belson is at Birch AFC in Leonidas. Pray for his speech and strength.
6. Sue Smink asked for prayer for George's daughter, Pat. She has had a debilitating stroke.
7. Shelly Millard's nephew's wife, Sarah, had surgery for a cancerous brain tumor. Her treatment is chemo plus radiation. She has a new baby.
8. Martha Barton, friend of Dale Marie, has asked for prayer for congestive heart failure.
9. Steve and Deb Homan's daughter, Jennifer, has leukemia. She has improved and is out of ICU. Pray for improvement in swallowing.
10. Eleanor Richmond ~ Pray for continued improvement.
11. Jeff Anderson, Jeanne Hanson's son, has congestive heart failure. He continues to slowly improve.
12. Jim Jones' brother-in-law, Dave Leddars, has cancer and gallstones.
13. Alice Cross has congestive heart failure, and Dena West has also been diagnosed with the same.
14. Bessie Hursh ~ Pacemaker/heart difficulties
15. Dolly Loker's grandson-in-law, TJ Carr, has brain cancer and cancer in other locations. Pray for his wife Shiloh and children ages 5-12.
16. Wendy and Glenn Russell - Results from Mayo Clinic were not good. She could try chemo again and then surgery. Pray for wisdom in decisions.
17. Rick Simington's wife's mother, Alice Ellis, is struggling with pain and weakness.

18. The disk in Laurie Belson's mother, Jean Rice, does not require surgery. She has numerous appointments for extreme dizziness and lack of balance.
19. Kathy Barrett ~ Pray for healing and strength from her heart procedure. She is feeling stronger.
20. Travis Barrick, Eryn Tefft's brother, has acute pancreatitis and in critical condition. They have given him a 50-50% chance of surviving.
21. Warren Johnson, grandson of Krag and Carrie, has heart difficulties and is being treated.
22. Bill Homan ~ Healing of severely infected foot. He needs to be off from his foot for 2 more weeks.
23. Angie (Grandlinard) Hand will receive treatments for breast cancer for 6 months.
24. Cathy (Nightingale) Mostrom is receiving high doses of antibiotics 2 times a day for 6 weeks and blood cleansing for Lyme disease. Pray for success.
25. Diane, a waitress from the Family Affair Restaurant in Mendon, was in a terrible accident and received 3 breaks in her back, broken ankle, and broken wrist.
26. Richard Rupp's surgery was cancelled. He will be consulting with his cardiologist and trying to obtain a plan for his hip surgery to be rescheduled.
27. John Cook - Difficulties with leg circulation
28. Val Cook's daughter, Roxanne, is ill.

### SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

1. God's continual supply for the financial needs of our church and school ministries.
2. Pray for the salvation of lost friends and relatives.
3. Pray for unity in our nation. Pray for President Biden and our government officials.
4. Pray for the war in Israel and surrounding countries.
5. Pray for the VanBruggens and their ministry with Camp Kaskitowa. Pray for their support.
6. Babies on the way: Porter and Lidi Sexton, Jason and Stephanie Eichorn
7. Pray for our servicemen/women and their families: Nathan Yancer, Fort Knox, Kentucky; Travis Burke, Air National Guard; Daniel Kennett, Clear Air Force Station in Alaska; Peyton Mowry, Navy; Steven Sexton, Marines Travis Burke and Peyton Mowry are both in the Middle East.
8. Pray for Drake Williams (Bingaman) as he prepares for summer staff work and training at The Wilds in SC. Support forms are on The Welcome Center. He will be leaving for the summer on May 24.
9. Pray for the Director, staff, and campers at Camp Elvin. Pray for open hearts to God's Word and safety.

(Additional Prayer Requests on Reverse Side)

## Missionary Updates & Announcements

### Ben and Dani Jacobs with Baptist Mid-Missions in

Brazil: Curitiba, Graduation: An unbelievably sinuous road crosses two mountainous regions for a little over six hours. It was in the middle of one of those regions that the van motor overheated. Another Christian brother was willing to drive a replacement van to us and find a way to get the overheating van back on his own. Definitely, a Godsend! My passengers were grateful for their security of salvation as we raced through the rest of the mountains! Some of the guys even had to change in the parking lot behind the van to make it on time for Alex's graduation ceremony. Alex, a young man I have known now for about 9 years has fallen twice in his Christian walk. But more importantly has gotten back up just as many times. He was the very first teenager in our last church plant and is now serving the Lord in the ministry. Many tears of joy were shared at this celebration. It was a long time in coming and well-deserved. Curitiba, Missions Conference: Yes, same trip through the mountains but no overheating van. I was able to be one of the two main speakers about missions. I did not realize how big of a blessing it was going to be to me! There are 8 young people that are studying in our seminary at this present time from churches in Sorocaba or the surrounding cities. Seeing Alex graduate after getting back up spiritually, seeing a young girl that I remember baptizing almost 20 years ago studying at the seminary, or just simply the energy and passion of seeing young people on fire for the Lord was a rejuvenating boost that I had not anticipated. Children's Day Evangelistic Outreach: The city hall let us know at the last second that we could use the city park. We rented a bouncy house and an inflatable soccer field filled with soap, set up some stations with different games, and handed out goodie bags along with a Gospel bracelet under a kiosk. The Gospel was preached as we handed out bracelets to over 200 children, not counting adults. They just kept coming and coming. Our 150 bags of goodies quickly disappeared. With only about 10 workers, we were at our limits, but what a joy to have this opportunity. Nucleus of Maranatha Baptist Church: Church family get together in one of our family's cottage; Children's Evangelistic Outreach, a sister church's inauguration that Maranatha attended, a family night with devotions/games, all this created a whirlwind of events that brought together a noticeable nucleus of about 20 not counting our family or our co-workers. The spinning chaos, orchestrated by the only One who knows how to make chaos organized had created a gravitational pull to bring us together. Maranatha Baptist Church is beginning to form.

Some are saved, some are not, and some we are not really sure. A few of them have accepted Christ as their Savior. One key young couple that came into our midst for only about six months was very instrumental in helping this nucleus to form. We knew even when they arrived that they would need to leave before the end of the year. But what a neat testimony to see and witness the bond that they were able to create in just those few months. There were no dry eyes as we said our goodbyes in a farewell service. VBS: With the Brazilian Carnival holiday being a little bit earlier than normal this calendar year, it also forced us to begin to plan our next semester VBS. Generally we do two VBS per year at the beginning of any church plant to create more contacts and inroads to families. With no children's club the last two months, we were worried once again about attendance. But with the help of teens in sister churches, we were passing out more flyers, and had around 25 children the first day, 40 the next, and 60 on Saturday. We were super thankful to the city hall who blocked off a road for us to do our games. Many children raised their hands wanting to know more about salvation. We were able to talk to some. Pray that we will be able to see many of these children attending our Bible club. Carnival Retreat: Almost 90 teenagers came together for a four-day teen retreat from Sorocaba and surrounding areas. The responsibility to lead this retreat ended up landing on my shoulders. I remember going to sleep at 3:00 a.m. to get up at 6:00 a.m. to go to the bread store. But with 5 salvation decisions and dozens of decisions by different teens during those days make any thoughts of complaining mute. The theme of the retreat was about Holiness. Many were challenged about sexual purity, which ironically is the exact opposite of what Carnival represents here in Brazil.

### *(Additional Prayer Requests)*

10. Jean Parlin went to be with her Lord yesterday. Pray for her family and friends.
11. Kyle, the young man Ron and Laurie Smith have been helping, is now in a Christian Rehab in Tennessee. Pray for a successful outcome.

### **Announcements**

- Friday ~ FCS Volleyball Glo-Night - 6:00 p.m. for Grades 9-12
- Saturday ~ Church and School Workday - 9:00 a.m.  
Projects are listed on the bulletin board.
- Sunday ~ Sunday Services  
Choir Practice - 5:00 p.m.  
Camp Elvin Fund Sunday