



Welcome to the Global Impact Celebration Daily Prayer Guide

Each weekday between Monday, January 23rd and February 10th, we will pray for our Mission Partners and events from our GIC. The Guide will contain information on a couple of our Mission Partners or Potential Partners. Each of the partners has given us some prayer request, which you are asked to lift in prayer. In addition to the Mission Partners, there will be some days in which you will lift up one of the events of the Global Impact Celebration.

How to use the daily guide:

- Begin by focusing on God. You might read some scriptures and give thanks for the opportunity of communicating with God.
- Ask God to pour out His Spirit upon the Global Impact Celebration.
- Take a moment to read about the Mission Partners in this email and lift the mission in prayer.
- Then spend time lifting in prayer the request from the mission partners.

Jail Ministry Tuscumbia First Methodist Church

Ministry Focus:

COLBERT COUNTY JAIL - Each week, members of TFMC and other churches go into the local jails. The men go to the Colbert County Jail at 4:00 on Tuesdays. The men's jail ministry was begun many years ago by the local Gideons. There are Gideons that still participate in the ministry, but there are also several volunteers from other churches. We focus on the spiritual needs of the inmates, but also on their emotional (friendships) and physical needs too. Typically, each week, a volunteer has a devotion or Bible study with his cell block. We also give out Gideon Bibles and religious tracts, etc. After taking up prayer request forms from the inmates and having a prayer, a small item is given to each inmate. Those small gifts are generally a bar of soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, reading glasses, crackers, candy bars, and/or Ramen noodles. Usually, the volunteer asks if anyone wants special prayer or to receive Christ. Bro. Rudy has performed numerous baptisms for county inmates.

TENNESSEE VALLEY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER – Each Saturday at 10:00 a.m., Gideons and other volunteers from our church and other churches minister to teenagers at this facility. We provide snacks, music, devotionals, and Bible study to these troubled youth. We get prayer requests from them and lift them up in prayer throughout the week.

Prayer Needs:

- Please pray for the inmate's family back home. Some are concerned with getting a court date or praying that his/her sentence won't be too severe.
- Please pray that our community and our country will be delivered from the bondages of drug abuse. Our main concern is that approximately 75% of those in jail are there for some issue related to "drug abuse".
- Please praise God for the fruits of this ministry! Numerous conversions and rededications have taken place, as well as success stories of those who have gotten out of jail and gotten on the right path.
- Praise God for the spirit of cooperativeness that our Sheriff and his staff have with this ministry.
- Please pray for the leadership team for this ministry from our church: Brad Bernard, Joel Parris, Trish Fjord, Dawn Fry, and James Daniel and Charlotte Reid. Pray specifically for their success in gospel witness (Acts 13:12), and that God will open hearts around them (Acts 13:48).
- Pray for the continued effectiveness of our church's team working in conjunction with teams from other churches in this ministry.

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Ministry Focus:

Upper Sand Mountain Parish has been an active Methodist non-profit for 52 thriving years! Methodism had been a formative force in the early settlement of Upper Sand Mountain. God leads us to minister to the poor and sick, and give hope to those who are suffering.

As a non-profit, we are here to help provide for an already impoverished community through the economic crisis we are facing. Some towns in our service area have 70% of the population who live at or below the poverty level. They are people who were able to make ends meet - the working poor - living from one paycheck to the next. Now, these people have found themselves laid off or cut back to working three days a week, and they can no longer make ends meet. They need assistance. They have dignity, and it's difficult to ask for help, but they come to us - a church organization - knowing that God will provide. Through our children's ministry programs, *Manna on the Mountain* backpack program, *Heart and Hand* housing ministry, *Emergency Services* program, and other programs we hosted throughout the year, we served over 5,500 souls in 2021.

Prayer Needs:

- Thank God for His work through Woody and this ministry.
- Please pray for mission service teams throughout this year to help in the community for 2023.
- Pray for the Parish through this transitional time in the coming year.
- Pray for Woody & Kim as they transition in the next several months.

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Woody Woodin

Lyle Holland

Our preacher for Sunday Services during GIC



Lyle is an Alabama native, born in Birmingham and raised in Decatur. He currently serves as senior pastor of Cullman First UMC. Since 1990 he has pastored in Florence at Florence First UMC (Associate Pastor), in Toney at Toney UMC, in Pinson at Faith UMC, in Helena at the Church at Cahaba Bend (founding pastor), and in Jacksonville at Jacksonville First UMC. Lyle has a bachelors degree from the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and a Masters of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary.

He is married, since 1991, to the former Linda Denton of Culleoka, Tennessee. Their daughter Maggie is a school and clinical psychologist in Birmingham where she lives with her husband Henry, a dog named Shaggy, and Clive the cat. Their son Bennett lives in Louisville, Kentucky where he works for a technology company as a data analyst. As empty nesters, Lyle and Linda share their home with an Airedale Terrier named Loki.

- Pray for Lyle as he finishes his preparations for our Sunday worship services.
- Pray for his safety as he travels to be with us for GIC.
- Pray for his ministry.