Prayers for May 24, 2023

Reflection on Scripture - Psalm 16

Birthdays

Vera McCron's birthday is on Friday May 26. We pray the Lord shower her with many blessings. We pray the Lord will bless Vera mightily for all she means to us.

Praise

- Grateful Susan's friend Martha's lumpectomy procedure went well and we pray for a good pathology report to come.
- Fran came to church on Sunday and is doing very well following her hip replacement.
- A friend had a test for cancer and it is not doing anything, which is good.

General Prayers

• Prayer re wildfires in western Canada and now in Northwestern ON. Lord please keep everyone safe, the firefighters and residents. The animals too. Lord please bring the rain to reduce this terrible situation.

Prayer for comfort in loss

• Bonnie and Beth lost their Uncle Gary's wife suddenly this past week. We pray for Gary and all of the extended family in their grief as they mourn this loss.

Lord we take a quiet moment now, and pray for people we know, who have recently lost a loved one. We ask that you show us how to comfort them in their grief and demonstrate your love.

Prayers for those who are dealing with various health challenges

- We pray for a dear friend who is waiting for a big surgery in Toronto and has a telephone appt with the surgeon on Friday. We ask for the Peace of Christ to be on her for that appt.
- Mel is testing negative for COVID now but still not fully recovered so we keep praying for her. Pray she is encouraged in her heart Lord that you love and care for her and bring people alongside of her during this time. We pray she is well enough for her trip on June 7.
- We pray for Maureen and David Elgie who were in a severe car accident on hwy 17 N. We pray for good recovery and are grateful their injuries are survivable.
- Bone marrow transplant for a 21 year old young woman went as expected. No immediate signs of rejection which is great! Still quite a bit of time to see if the bone marrow starts producing on its own. Up and down days but no immediate issues. Praise! Continued support is appreciated.
- We pray for Dennis and Shelley and ask Lord that the coming new treatment will be incredibly effective. We pray Lord for your love and hope to sustain them and that they can see your hand upon Dennis. Give them much more time Lord.
- We pray for Michelle's sister Nancy that her pathology report comes back favourable. We pray too for Michelle's son-inlaw Marty who just completed chemo, and radiation, that the aftereffects heal quickly. We pray Lord that You alone carry them both as they move forward. We pray for hope and full recovery and healing.

- We pray for a friend of Michelle's just diagnosed with ALS. Lord we ask that you wash over this fellow with Your perfect peace. Give him hope and encouragement for the journey ahead.
- We pray for Rev. Steve Smith who is hoping to preach a service this Sunday. The first in a long time as he is anxious to get back to preaching.
- We pray for Ali, Gord and Diane Walford's daughter. Meds are effective in her being more "calm". We just have to learn to deal with the delusions. Hard to tell sometimes if what she's telling us is real or imagined. Prayer for us in that respect would be appreciated.

New/Recent requests:

- We pray for Noella's son around recent surgery requiring a pacemaker and a defibrillator, we pray for good recovery.
- Mel asks that we pray for a woman who has had a lot on her plate lately. Restore her spirit and calm her mind. Remind her everything will be fine and Lord we ask that you please be with her.

Ongoing prayer requests

- Pray for the South Sudanese students in the boarding school who did return to school on May 8 and go until August 23
 for their next semester. We pray for Nyatot and all of the family that they look to you Lord for strength and care. Keep
 them well and safe Lord.
- We pray for Mel's friend Julianna with her acute and debilitating back pain. No real help has yet been found to alleviate or even lessen her pain. Lord, we pray for an intervention of Your Hand of healing for Julianna. Encourage her not to give up hope.
- Pray for Merle and Rod as they wait for a placement for her, in the Sault. There are 13 people remaining in Cedarwood. Lord, please open up a suitable place for Merle so she can settle. We pray for a good move to come very soon.
- Pray for John's friend's daughter who is using drugs and needs help. We pray for your protection over her. We pray she will find the help that she needs and that she will be restored to her family. Please guide Tia in the way she should go.
- Pray for Jackie for healing from cuts on his leg from an accident that occurred last fall. They are healing and we ask for continued improvement for him.
- Peter's sister-in-law battling stage four liver disease. Be with her and be with Peter and Paula as they try to support her.

Note: Funds are being raised to assist Gatwech to support the family group of South Sudanese refugees in Kenyan Camp, who are his extended family. For more info as to how you can participate if you wish, contact John or Charlene.