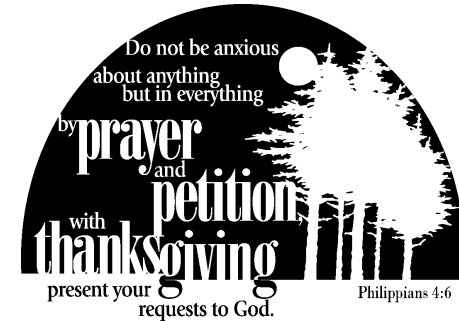


Prayer Map

January - April, 2012

Be Part of the Prayer Shield (a four month commitment)

A "Prayer Shield" is simply a group of people committed to pray on their own for the needs of our Church. If you would be willing to consistently pray through the four All Church Prayer Requests listed inside this folder until May 1, please let us know. Fill out the enclosed Prayer Shield Card and place it in the offering plate or drop it in the church office. No other commitment is required. Unless you indicate on the card, by giving us your email, a desire for regular updates, you will receive **NO** follow up calls or mail of any kind. We'd like to hear who else is on this four month prayer journey with us.



This Prayer Map is a great tool!

- ◆ **ALLOW** this Prayer Map to guide your prayers for the church in your personal and family devotional times.
- ◆ **USE** this Prayer Map in your small groups/Bible studies. Consider picking one area a week to pray through.
- ◆ **KEEP** this Prayer Map handy at team meetings as a reminder of all God is doing at The Covenant and to strengthen unity by remembering them in your prayers.



See the back page to find out about becoming a part of the Prayer Shield.

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All Church Prayer Requests

- ◆ **Bemidji Covenant:** as empowered by the Spirit, would “see” the Lord, “...seated on a throne, high and exalted” (Isaiah 6:1), continually see His will in all things, and that an attitude of prayer would continue to grow and deepen within our church Body.
- ◆ **Interim Pastor Paul Anderson & All Elders/Pastors/Staff/Ministry Leaders:** for protection, guidance, wisdom and that “...words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel” (Ephesians 6:19).
- ◆ **Search Committee and New Lead Pastor:** wisdom, guidance and perseverance for the Search Committee as they identify Lead Pastor candidates marked by a maturing passion for Jesus, are seasoned in leadership, and gifted in communicating the gospel.
- ◆ **Crazy Love 50 Day Spiritual Adventure:** to be reminded of the radical truth that God continually invites us to experience a CRAZY love relationship with Him and for us to respond by continually growing more deeply in love with Him.

Ministry Area Prayer Requests

- ◆ **Child Life:** to bring glory to God as we care for children; guidance & discernment for future plans for Children’s Ministry; for more volunteers with passion for kids, especially someone who is interested in kids and music; relationships to be built between leaders and the kids.
- ◆ **Congregational Life:** *Senior Adult Ministries:* Praise for Owen & Helen Hall’s faithfulness in leading this ministry for 17 years. Prayer for new leadership and for discernment on future direction. *Men’s Ministry:* Praise for strong leadership. Praise for a strong year of ministry. Pray for leadership team as they seek to address the challenges facing men and offer tangible ways for men to connect. *Women’s Ministry:* Praise for a strong leadership team. Pray for leadership team as they seek a new Women’s Chair. *Small Group Ministry:* Praise that after a year of preparing for a Crazy Love 50 Day Adventure for the congregation it is about to happen. Praise that over 40 small group leaders and host families have sensed God calling them to offer a Crazy Love group. Pray for the congregation and their openness to this opportunity to experience community and be challenged to grow in their faith. *Singles Ministry:* Praise for new leadership and direction for the singles 40+ group.
- ◆ **Family Life & Outreach:** pray that visitors to our church would feel welcome; for Marriage seminars; for Young Families; for the development of an expanded evangelism ministry; for the church to continue to play a role with Servants of Shelter (SOS); pray that our Church Family will continue to care for others in need.
- ◆ **Finance:** wisdom and unity in making financial decisions.
- ◆ **Properties:** the property staff could keep up with the changes and increased activities, receive clarity on making decisions of how to use the existing space to meet the growing needs, be creative with space currently available.
- ◆ **Stewardship & Human Resources:** please pray for a new person to step forward to be the council representative of this area; for a growing understanding of Shared Ownership to fulfill Christ’s intention for our church family through sharing of our Time, Talents, Treasure and Testimony.
- ◆ **Student Life:** pray that new believers would grow to become fully devoted to Jesus; that volunteers would be able to provide care and support students need; for staff & leadership team as they provide support for the growing ministry.
- ◆ **Whole Life:** that the Lord would make Vicky aware of ministry needs and give her wisdom to know how to help meet those needs; that people would recognize their need for healing and freedom that comes through the light of God’s truth; that God would give them courage to seek ministry, and that the ministry team would be able to provide support to them as the Lord leads.
- ◆ **Worship & Arts:** prayer for a Worship Director and for people to become a part of the up-front leading of the current worship teams.