

Missouri Prayerways

August 2020

"May our prayer be counted as incense before Thee" Psalm 141:2

1. **Mark McGinnis** (NAMB) and Mary, MK (IMB) Pray that they will feel God's blessings in special ways as they celebrate their birthdays.

2. **Pennie Olmstead** retired (AMP) Pray that Pennie will experience the fullness of God's presence in her daily life.

3. **JS**, MK (IMB) Please pray for her to grow in her relationship with Christ. Pray for Joya to adjust to some big changes in her life as she will be homeschooling for the first time. And, please pray for her health and protection.

CK (EAP) Pray for safety and direction in ministry.

4. **Grady Evans**, retired (NAMB); Gabrielle Jensen, MK (SSAP); Jim Gentry, DOM (Cane Creek/Stoddard) are celebrating birthdays. Pray that their joy will be overflowing as they rejoice in their relationship with the Lord Jesus.

Pray for **Gabby Jensen**, MK (SSAP) as she continues to adjust to life in the US and her second year at SBU; and that she will surround herself with friends who will provide positive influences on her life.

5. **MN**, MK (SSAP): Pray that he has a great birthday celebration with family as their city continues to not allow gatherings. Pray that this next year he will continue to grow in his knowledge of Christ and continue to become more like his Lord. Ask the Lord to give him boldness to be a witness for Him as spends his last year as a tween and vigor to stand strong through his teenage years.

Retired missionary **Hugh Smith** (EAP) celebrates his first birthday in Heaven today. Hugh passed away May 5, 2020. Pray for his wife, Martha and the family as they go through the loss while celebrating his life and the joy he now has in the presence of the Lord.

Remember **JD** (IMB) and **Bob Faire** (Chaplain) Springfield who are also celebrating their birthdays today.

6. **Chloe Stow**, MK (AMP) asks for prayer that she will seek to know Him above all else and that her sophomore year in college will go well.

Lift up **JB** (IMB); **SS** (CAP) and **Mariam Misner**, retired (SEA) to the Father, asking special blessings for their day.

7. Pray for direction from the Lord in sharing His message with those around you.

8. **Denise Lourcey**, spouse of DOM (Pleasant Grove) is celebrating her birthday. Rejoice with her as she says "God has been so good to us, our family is beyond blessed."

9 **Dick Greenwood**, retired (AMP) and **Mike Walker**, DOM (Texas) celebrate birthdays today. Pray for wisdom in their ministries and as they share the Good News with friends and neighbors.

10. Pray for the **Basotho team** of Lesotho as they try to navigate the food crisis with a shortage of IMB in country personnel. Pray for the Send Relief Project that is in the process of being arranged. This food packet distribution will focus on nationals living in the lowlands. The highlands feeding project will be coordinated by "ReClaimed Ministry" and "Great Commission Lesotho" in a joint effort.

11. Ask the Lord to give **Carol Bowers**, Retired, SSAP wisdom as she seeks to make a difference in a hurting world.

KB (IMB) writes: "we are currently stateside because of COVID and we are not sure when we will be able to return overseas. Pray for us to remain patient, trusting, and intentional in the interim!"

Pray also for **Roberta Hampton**, retired (AMP) as she celebrates another year.

12 Pray for **Beth Armes** (SSAP) that she will feel the warmth of family and friends on this birthday.

13. Give thanks to the Lord for the lives of **Ken Higgins** (NAMB); **Daniela Frealy**, MK (AMP) and **Clifford Brown** (Chaplain) Mt. Vernon

14. **Megan Fortner** (NAMB) asks prayer for Church growth, solid volunteers that can be counted on, life changes and inroads into our community.

15 Pray for birthday blessings on **Leroy Seat**, retired (EAP), who celebrates his 82nd birthday today, that he will have continued good health in order that he can continue his writing ministry, which now is mainly posting 600-word blog articles every five days; and pray for **Gary Mathes**, DOM (Clay/Platte) and MK Daniela Freally (IMB)

16. Pray that **Judith Wood**, DOM spouse (Dent) will have a refreshing day of joy overflowing as she celebrates her birthday.

17. Pray for **Ezra**, MK (EAP) who turns five today as he is starting to know and understand the love of Jesus.

18. **Nick Catrow** (Pulaski Association) shares this praise. *"Thank the Lord for providing us a full-price offer on our house that was on the market for over 3 years, and for healing my wife of her cancer. As of June, Pam is cancer free. We serve a great God, the Lord Jesus Christ."*

19. **Matt Clark** (NAMB) writes: *"We have started a house church with people who are devoted to engaging the foreign-born population in St. Louis with the gospel. Please pray as this group comes together and seeks the Lord on mission together. THANK YOU!"*

Janene Ford, retired (AMP). *"Please pray for the MKs who have graduated from high school on the field and are returning to the United States this summer to begin college. With COVID-19, dates and plans and schedules have all been disrupted. MK's may find it even more difficult to make this transition. Pray for their transition to be seamless and safe. Pray for their parents who are sending them off. It is not easy."*

Lift up **Delores Graham**, retired (SEA) and **Bruce Gerling**, retired (EAP) as they enjoy their birthdays.

20 **Alan Brock**, DOM (Shoal Creek). Please pray for wisdom in leading Shoal Creek Baptist Association

Thank the Father for **Russell Ford** (EURO) and **Grant, MK (IMB)** who is 20 today, and their witness to others around them.

21. **Virginia Smith**, retired (IMB). Pray for special blessings for her birthday. She asks that you also pray for those who have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus and are in need of isolation or treatments.

Jim and Teresa Flora celebrate their 44th wedding anniversary today. Pray that their marriage always points others to Christ.

Elias, MK (EAP) turns 7 years old today. Pray that he will grow in wisdom and favor with God and man.

22. Pray for **Doris Blattner**, retired (SEA); **Doug Shaw**, retired (EURO) and **Charles Ayers** (Chaplain) Sedalia as they celebrate their birthdays. Pray that the joy of the Lord will be their strength.

23 Lift up **Jim Park**, retired (SSAP); **Amos Coffey**, retired (NAMB) and **Marilyn Coble**, past president MWMU to the father as we give thanks for the many contributions that they have given to the spreading of the Gospel message around the world. Marilyn turns 95 today and shared that it is a day to just "Praise the Lord!"

24. Pray for COVID-19 patients, that they will receive comfort and hope from those around them.

25 **JP** (NAME) is celebrating their birthday. Pray for protection from the enemy and security in sharing the Gospel to those around.

26. **KN** (SSAP): Pray that she will be continue to gain knowledge and understanding in the language and culture as she continues to learn over the phone. Pray that she will not grow weary as restrictions from the pandemic continue to guide life for more than five months now.

Pray for **Karis**, MK (IMB) as she turns nine years old. Pray for her to see Jesus in her life and how much she is loved.

27 Lift up KJ (SEA) and **Lynn Terrill**, retired (EURO) to the Father, asking that they feel His presence and joy in their lives as they celebrate their birthdays.

28. **Mark**, MK (SSAP) turns 17 today. Pray that he will find God's path for his future and that he will rejoice in his relationship with Jesus.

Lift up **Tommy Cupples**, retired (NAMB) as he celebrates his birthday. Ask the Father to bless him with a joy-filled day.

29 Pray that **JL** (SEA) and **Bob Mulkey**, retired (AMP/DEAF) will be able to say, like Paul "I will rejoice in the Lord always"

30. **Rachel**, MK (IMB). She starts the 8th grade this year and the family is hoping to be back in Europe for the start of the school year. But even then they may be returning in small groups. Pray for her as the family returns to a very different place than they left because of COVID-19.

Lift up to the Father **Michael T. Byrd Sr.** (NAMB) as he celebrates his birthday. Michael writes: "I celebrate the Lord for the privilege to celebrate another year. Pray for me that I will use wisdom in making the right decisions as they pertain to my life, family and our church."

JE (IMB) asks: *"Please pray for my family and me as we prepare to return to the field after our first stateside. We are realizing there is a bigger cost than we thought in moving back to Africa, but it is worth the cost to follow Him and make His name known among the lost there. Pray for us as we say goodbye and prepare to return."*

31. **Abigail Moore**, Children's specialist (MWMU) shares: "our church has been able to start up our children's missions education classes with good attendance. Pray also for churches all across Missouri to be able to do the same!"

AMP - American Peoples; **ASAP** - South Asian Peoples; **CAP** - Central Asian Peoples; **EAP** - East Asian Peoples; **EURO** - European Peoples; **NAME** - Northern African and Middle Eastern Peoples; **SEA** - Southeast Asian Peoples; **SSAP** - Sub-Saharan African Peoples

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