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It's has become a very busy world due to information technology. Although I use and depend on technology (as is the case for most of us) I still like pen and paper, books that have pages to turn, and sometimes long for the days when email and voicemail did not exist. All that nostalgia aside, we know there are advantages to the techno-

tools. The pros – managed well –outweigh the cons. The district just became aware of a new prayer tool for iPhone and iPad users. I have found it helpful and maybe you will too – go to www.prayersteward.com for more information.

We have also added a new dedicated voice mail for prayer. To leave a prayer request on a secured voicemail, dial 503-282-5089 and press 9. Follow the instructions in the message. If you want someone to pray with you immediately, please call the district office 1-888-693-5267 or 503-288-8383 and ask for a member of our prayer team. Thank you for “walking together” in prayer.

As a reminder – see this link to help protect privacy within prayer requests:
<http://www.nowlcms.org/Prayer/Prayer-Privacy.aspx>

Send your requests and praises so that we can ‘walk together in prayer’ with you!

To share prayer requests: <http://www.nowlcms.org/Prayer/Prayerform.aspx>

To share answered prayers: <http://www.nowlcms.org/Prayer/Answered-prayers-form.aspx>

Don't want to make your request through the internet?

Call our NEW secure prayer request line 503-282-5089 press 9 and leave a message.

We invite you to join all those praying with the Northwest District every Friday at noon. Lift up your prayers in unity with your brothers and sisters in ministry and mission.

Click this link to access this week's Friday noon prayer:

<http://www.nowlcms.org/Resources/ExpMin/PDF-Files/CurrentPrayer.doc>

This week's prayer requests:

- For all the meetings and details taking place for the upcoming Synod Convention. That God's peace and encouragement reign throughout all meetings and proceedings, now and at convention. Prayers for those who are in office and will be in office.
- The LWML conventions being held in the coming weeks. This weekend, Oregon LWML
- For a family who has lost a child.
- Tim H, Lutheran Church Charities teams and the citizens of Streator, Dwight, and other parts of Illinois that were hit by tornadoes last Sunday. Also other parts of the Midwest and for the victims and their families. Other disasters – oil spill; floods; earthquakes, etc.
- A prayer of thanksgiving from the G family who welcome grandson Caleb. Praises that Grandpa baptized Caleb last Sunday...a special gift to all.
- Be with a Pastor Coach Vic and his wife Shirley who left last week for two weeks of training of pastors in Tanzania.
- We pray for Kristi W, who was in a car accident.
- New Pastors, teachers, DCE's entering the district ministries
- Thanksgiving for the birth of Kyra K last week. We ask our Lord to watch over this family as they welcome Kyra into their lives.
- Jeff asks that although his marriage is ending that his wife come to know the Lord and his son be assured of God's love for him, too.
- Cathy S. cancer. People in the church who have offered assistance to relieve her husband from the long days of caring for her.
- H.S. is still awaiting reports on the progression of cancer. His wife (N.) has a sister (D.) who has a very rare disease. She has stayed at D's house until D. became very abusive and threw N. out of her house. N. blames the drugs for this behavior. This is adding stress to already difficult times.

- Dennis D. is still out of work and his wife (P.) just lost her (new) job. Dennis and P. are putting their house on the market in an attempt to sell it before it is foreclosed on by the bank.
- Jeff R. he is having problems with his vision and driving has become a problem for him. More tests are needed to determine what may be causing this but at this point they are treating him with drugs for anxiety. This is a real issue because of his job, which requires him to drive often.
- Continued prayer for Todd G who has MS. He now gives one injection a day to slow the progression of the disease. The treatment costs \$2,800/month but insurance and grants have allowed it be paid in full for Todd - Praises for that!
- Thos who await job news / interviews. All who are looking for work / unemployed.
- Dave F, in a nursing home for next three weeks to receive massive antibiotics for staph infection.
- Judy T, healing from fractured shoulder.
- David H, for positive outcome on June 11 biopsy and thanksgiving for successful lung surgery.
- MJG interview and pending results. Wisdom and discernment in decisions.
- Family of Mark O at his sudden death; Family of Bob C at his passing; Family of Lance
- Charles and family
- M and L - peace and comfort
- Barbara, Kris, Ora, Kristen, Myrtle, Pam, Edna, Chuck and Gail, R&W, Allison, Lillianm, L&W, Ruth, Paul, Eunice, Lucille, Pauline, Odrum, Mollie, Montana
- Josh, Michael, Trevor, Christopher, Glen, Scott, Tom, Paul – safety
- Melissa and baby, Kayden – premie
- Breonia - continued healing and safe travel; Ken & Barb, Westin, Jon, Susan, Marily, Martha, N &E, Paul, Cindy, Shirley - safe travel
- Loren in hospice; Pat – healing; Johnanna - Lou Gehring's; Toni - healing from multiple surgeries; Bernice and Mildren - continued healing; Dorothy and Tom - healing from stroke; Esther, Ruth, Ruth, Gene, Terry, Barbara, Shirley, Barb, and Scott – healing; GH, Alice – treatment; Dick, Martha, Mary, Al, John's Dad, Grace, Dave, Dan – healing; Stacey - diagnosis and treatment; Deb and Joan, Paul, Troy - treatment and surgery; Ann S who broke her hip at work.
- Restoration of relationships; wisdom and discernment for those who are hurting and those who are helping.
- Peace, Monroe - mission trip to Haiti
- Shauen and family in Kenya
- Alaska Mission for Christ requests prayer:
 - For all of our summer volunteer teams that serve in Vacation Bible Camps, Sports Camps, or Hammer and Nail projects. They are working very hard to help us make a bold proclamation of Jesus in each community in Alaska.
 - For the Ministry of R and T who travel in their own boat throughout Southeast Alaska forming relationships, doing sports/Bible Camps and sharing the Good News of Jesus.
 - For the work of Ruth, our volunteer coordinator, as she tries to keep our thousands of volunteers and the communities they will serve.
 - For the ministry of Licensed Deacon Bruce G in Tanacross and Dot Lake.
 - For the drug and alcohol recovery ministry in the Copper Valley. Pray that the Lord will deliver many people from their addictions.
 - St. John, Seward, NE (a group of 16) who will leave June 25 for Akiachak, AK, to do VBS and basketball camps for a week. Their "Sending Service" is Sunday, June 13. Akiachak is a village 600 miles west of Anchorage (roughly 600 people live there with 1/3 living at or below poverty with no running water). They will be staying in the public school and interact with the students throughout the day. They will lead a VBS from 3-5 p.m. each day with basketball camps from 6-10 p.m. for the various age groups. This trip was scheduled through AK Missions for Christ.
 - David Grosz is the new mission director for Alaska Mission for Christ. Prayers for him and his family as they move to AK and begin ministry through the AMC.

Prayers for our missionaries:

- Missionaries throughout the world: go to <http://www.lcms.org/ca/mission/prayercards/index.asp> to access prayer and information cards of LCMS missionaries

Prayers for our military: <http://www.nowlcms.org/Resources/Military/MilitaryPrayerList.doc>

- o Those returning from war zones – as they adjust to life at home or in other assignments.
- o Military serving away from home and their families. Also for civilians who serve away from home as news personnel, or support personnel attached to the military.

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Thank you for your prayers. Please feel free to forward this to other prayer warriors

CPR (Center for Prayer Renewal) is not a place but a ministry established to assist individuals who are interested in deepening their Spiritual Formation through His Word and prayer.

ALL are welcome to attend CPR retreats. They are NOT just for Pastors/church workers...



Next retreat – Phase I (only) with room for 16 participants

October 25 (1PM) – October 27 (noon), 2010
Griffin Retreat Center – Milwaukie, Oregon

\$160 per person includes lodging and all meals!

Note: The fees cover costs and all materials, no profits are made.

To register for this retreat please contact Susan Olson directly via phone or email – see info below.

For retreat information and other prayer resources go to this link: <http://www.nowlcms.org/Prayer/CPR.aspx>
Contact Susan Olson to register for CPR retreats. susano@nowlcms.org

Contact: Susan Olson, District Prayer Ministry Coordinator susano@nowlcms.org to add a name or to remove a name from the PrayerGram.
Northwest District – LCMS 1700 NE Knott, Portland, OR 97212 1-888-693-5267 or 503-288-8383