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*Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
And lean not on your own understanding;
In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct your paths.*
Prov. 3:5-6

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel. “January 1 - Urbana 2022 concluded in the very first hour of this brand New Year. Pray for safe travels for the some 6500 delegates returning to homes across the globe and for God's guiding, equipping, and anointing on all those who made commitments to be His witnesses on their campuses now and to participate in His worldwide mission in

the years ahead.”

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Eleanor Crabtree. “On Jan. 6th I have an appointment with an Oral Surgeon in Port Elgin for a biopsy to determine the cause of swelling on the roof of my mouth. Prayer would be appreciated.”

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. “Please pray for a family that will come visit Karamoja to consider whether they want to serve as a deacon here. They have said that they can come for one week, but we have advised a two-week visit. Our short-term deacon has been amazingly helpful crossing projects off the list.”

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Khevna & Sharon, Knox Mission Hub. “Praise God for joyful and restful times celebrating the season with many over the holidays! Please pray for a very busy month ahead as we start the year with a Bible Study Skills Workshop, a Luke 10:2 Gathering on "Worship Around the World", and Relevant Series week happening on campus.”

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Sylvia Dresser. “My son Andrew had a kidney transplant while still a child. That kidney has been gradually failing and Andrew will be having laparoscopic surgery this month to determine if he is a candidate for peritoneal dialysis and, if so, to insert a catheter. Pray for the doctors who will make this assessment and for Andrew as he faces dialysis again. His memories of dialysis are very negative.”

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Ann Chow, Event & Project Management. “Please pray as I begin to teach a new course at Redeemer for all graduating students on project management and innovation. I'm also going to Seoul with the program team for

the Lausanne Movement's fourth global gathering of the church in 2024. We will meet for the first time in person to continue planning the program together, Jan. 18-20. Patrick Fung is the program chair, and I join truly wonderful friends on the team."

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Elizabeth Matthias, MTW, Germany.

"Post-Christmas, and faith for the future, are extra counselling issues this month. Mentoring young women and men to counsel advances, as well as preparations for more Discovering Change classes. A happy new year 'in Christ!'"

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Gord & Brenda Nickerson, Josiah

Venture. "You can now download the JV Prayer Room on the Apple App Store and sign up for 15 minutes, half an hour, one full hour in prayer, joining the watch as we pray for young people to hear the Gospel and for Jesus to be glorified! The needs are great in Ukraine... Early in the new year we'll also send out an update on the exciting things God is doing in other ministries that Josiah Venture is involved with."

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan.

"With the start of a New Year, may God grant all the Bible translation teams we support in Taiwan new resolve to finalize their translations sooner than expected. Two lead translators are in their 80s. They and other elderly people are eager to hold new Bibles in their hands and read the Word of God in their own language."

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, LAM. "I have been working with the coordination of the Langham Escuelita program for Latin American diaspora in Canada. We have a couple of cells in Toronto and in Montreal. This fall we ran an expository preaching workshop at Celebration Presbyterian

Church in Toronto and another one at McGill University in Montreal for pastors and lay leaders."

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Laurie Armstrong, P2C. "My team is looking forward to our 1st & much-delayed in-person retreat, Jan 16-17! Please pray for refreshment, wisdom. Pray also for the Meaning Makers writers' cohort Jan-Mar (a group of students/alum exploring writing & spirituality), for many local outreaches, and for students applying this month for summer mission trips (nat'l & int'l)."

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Susan Jeffery, CANIL, Abbotsford. "Pray that God will provide gifted and supported individuals to step into these vital roles at CanIL: Vice President of Administration, MATS academic mentors (to work with our overseas students training to become translation consultants), and Vice President of Development."

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Luke & Yuko Elliot, Aomori Christian Center, Japan. "Please pray that the Lord will protect the Aomori Christian Center's buildings from snow damage during our absence. We are grateful for the many opportunities to share about the ministry of ACC with many churches and prayer groups during our six month home assignment in Canada. Pray for new partnerships and for our recruitment of a summer staff for 2023."

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Gus & Marliese, London. "Pray for us as we think through and navigate our steps into the future."

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Colin & Rachel McCordic, AIM. "We thank the Lord for the good year we had in Chad. We faced many challenges of adjusting to a new culture, new ministries, and new rhythms of life. We know God was with us

every step. Please be praying for us in this season as we feel the Lord leading to serve full time in Chad. We will be focusing much of our time on raising up prayer and financial supporters.”

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Dave & Rani, Brampton. “Devanand will leave on Jan. 29 for India and Nepal (for 6 weeks), where he will be lecturing in Bible schools, teaching pastors and encouraging Christians. Please pray for Rani and Deepak as they remain in Brampton. Rani is grateful for prayers as she meets with international students and newcomers. Please continue praying for Deepak to focus on his schoolwork, and for his spiritual growth.”

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Wayne & Helen Hancock, Threefold Ministries, Nicaragua. “As a new year begins please keep Tammy, our Interim MD and ministry coordinator in your prayers that she will have wisdom from God as she leads the ministry with the Board. Pray for the staff of our Skylark Center as they welcome many guests in January, especially that the youth who come will grow into a deep relationship with Jesus.”

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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn, East Africa. “Todd & Markus, two of our associates at Listen to Learn, recently returned from 2 1/2 weeks in Kenya. What a trip!... They were present at several program presentations ... one inside Kakuma Refugee Camp, home to over 100K refugees. ...More than 60 signed up [to study the Bible, etc., with L2L], with half prepaying to ensure a place! (Refugee camps are notoriously cash-poor.) We were humbled by their great desire to understand the Word better.”

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Mary Jane Fandrich. “The Fall has been a time to bring the reality of Jesus to a

group of immigrant children who never leave their apartment dwelling except to attend public school, so this is a unique opportunity. They ask questions, “Are these stories really true?” Pray that the Holy Spirit will be heard.

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Sylvan, Japan. “Pray for me that I can finish well at my university as I wrap up my full-time teaching in January. Pray for opportunities to bring Glory to God as I say goodbye to students and colleagues. Pray that my health will allow me to teach part time in the future. Praise and thanks for a wonderful career in Japan.”

SUNDAY

Rosemary Walker. There has been no answer yet about 17-year-old Feng, missing from his Montreal home shortly after arriving in Canada from China. Rosemary and friends continue to pray with and for his family in their grief and confusion. May the Lord intervene and answer their urgent prayers.

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Kim, Community Outreach Coordinator. Lift her up as she organizes support and outreach to local single parents of small children. This programme is still in its early stages and time will be needed to build up connections.

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Hanneke Cost Budde, Tanzania. Her family is growing up. Latest photos show Faraja and Baraka standing tall, and videos show little Daniel lively and active. Pray for strength and wisdom for Hanneke, meeting daily needs and enjoying God's blessings in her “retirement”.

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Xerggyo & Hil. They plan to visit their Ontario friends and prayer partners in January and look to return to the beloved country where they witness for Christ soon

after that. Prayers for open doors, open hearts, and good health.

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Chyrl Basa, FFM. “We praise God for a fruitful year and the opportunity for the FFM board to gather for a prayer retreat to seek God’s direction for the coming year. Help us pray for God to raise up board members who are already passionate about praying for Muslim peoples. Pray as well for more churches to support and come alongside FFM’s ministry.”

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Jim Mason. Challenge Enterprises Ghana. CEG head, Immanuel Kofi Agamah, says 2022 has been a difficult year. The adverse effects of COVID-19 and the general economic downturn have gravely affected bookshop sales that historically have been the main source of funding for CEG ministries. In 2 years, staff numbers dropped from 78 to 44, as they are hard pressed on every side. “Pray that I may lead with such confidence in the Lord that He will guarantee the sustainability of CEG’s work.”

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I & S. Perspectivas, Brasil. “This month, I’s replacement moves to our city to start to learn the ropes. Please pray for a fruitful transition process, and for our preparation for the next field. We will be having meetings to set up our working relationship on the field this month.”

SUNDAY

KWM Committee. Continue to ask for God’s blessing and guidance for all committee members, esp. for Nestor and Jeff in their leadership. Who may the Lord be calling and adding to this committee in 2023? Lots of challenges, but “God’s work done in God’s way will never lack God’s supply.” Amen!

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Evangel Hall Mission. Last month Knox donated \$100,000 to EHM to aid in their ministry among Toronto’s poorest. (EHM was founded by Knox members many years ago and there is still a tie.) The Lord bless and guide in the use of this gift, that Christ in all His compassion and truth would be seen.

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Phase II Workers. John & Debra Bowen, Glenn & Fern Byerly, Diane Dadian, Gladys Linthicum, Norine Love, Patsy McCarthy, Clarence & Cathy McMullen, Elaine Esser, David & Angela Morris, Barbara Rahn, Marg Roth, Pamela Stedman and Diana Wadsworth.