PRAISE & PRAYER
October 28, 2026
First Mennonite Church

PRAISE:

Father, thank You for the example of Samson, whose life was set apart for Your work, and also for Paul's encouragement to keep pressing toward the goal. Help us grow together in faith, to remain steadfast in our calling, and to continue following Jesus with willing hearts.

Pray for our workers of the week: Douglas & Kerry B.

We are soaking up all that fall has to offer. There is nothing quite like the changing of the leaves. Here are some ways to praise and pray:

PRAISE:

- We thank God for lavishing His wisdom on us as an organization. Much work remains, but we **praise** Him for His faithfulness in answering every prayer for wisdom. We are thankful for restored health after a period of sickness in our family. We thank the Lord for Kerry's job, the community she serves, and the opportunity to point young children to Jesus every day.

PRAYER:

- Please **pray** for continued safety and clarity at B2THE WORLD as we continue to strategically plan for 2027 and beyond. **Pray** that God would give us continued wisdom and discernment as we move forward. **Pray** that God would lead our CEO, Ben, our programs director, Benji, our country coordinators, and me in a direction that brings glory to His name. **Pray** for favor for the B2THEWORLD registration processes in Cameroon and Iraq.
- **Pray** that active wars would end. **Pray** that God would care for the more than 520 million children impacted by war. **Pray** for displaced and internally-displaced people to find shelter, food, clean water, schooling, and the resources they need for their physical, mental, and emotional health.

Pray for 4 unspoken requests.

CHURCH: Pray for the upcoming Mission Festival. **Pray** for the committee and speakers, and all involved in the week's activities.

Pray for comfort for Darrel Williamson, Roger & Kay Beck, and other family and friends in the death of Faye Williamson on Oct. 22; for Kent & Jeanne Frank and other family and friends in the death of Kent's brother, Kurt Frank, on Oct. 26; and for Betty Reinhard, Tom & Kathy Fox, and other family and friends in the death of Bob Reinhard on Oct. 27.

Persecuted Church: Pray with two Christians in Bangladesh, Shamsul and Sukko, who were publicly harassed, beaten, and forced to flee their homes. **Pray** that they would cling to the hope we have in Christ.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Swiss Village: Rev. Stan Liechty (recovering after a recent hospitalization); Annie Humphrey (in rehab)

Home: Dick Smitley (recovering after a recent hospitalization); Sue (Phil) Wulliman (**pray** for minimal effects and strength as she continues chemo treatments); Cindy Habegger (recovering after breast cancer surgery); Renee Liechty (surgery scheduled for Nov. 11); Stan Von Gunten (recovering from shoulder surgery)

FOR THOSE WHO ARE A PART OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

- Fred & Sonia Lehman
- Dave & Kathy Bauman
- Kent & Teri Liechty
- Barb Dawson
- Paul & Lynn Steenburg
- Nancy Graber
- Rick & June Liechty
- Linda Haynes
- Mike Liechty
- Gordon & Yarna Claassen

PRAYER:

Lord, help us remember that You have a purpose for our lives, just as You had a purpose for Samson even before he was born. Help us remember that what matters most is not our own strength or ability, but our willingness to follow Your direction. Teach us to keep moving forward in faith, forgetting what lies behind and reaching toward what lies ahead.

Please phone Praise & Prayer items to the church 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 589-3108; or Jim Schwartz, 525-0124