

**COVENANT OF CONCERNS**

*If you have updates to any of the concerns listed below, please let Scott or Tiffany know or email [mbc@mbcnyc.org](mailto:mbc@mbcnyc.org).*

**Global & National Concerns:**

All those whose lives are impacted by violence, conflict, war, natural disaster, and injustice of any kind  
Those seeking to bring about justice, love, and peace in our world  
National & International Leadership

**Recent Concerns of Our Church Community (shared 2/18-2/25):**

**Jerome Brown** - met daughter for the first time in 18 years  
**Ken's son Brendan**

**George (Paula's coworker)** - mother in failing health

**Continuing Concerns of Our Church Community:**

**LAST WEEK:**

**Ruby Rims** - fell; prayers as he recovers from injuries.

**Davidson and Family** - great uncle passed away  
**Brittani** - friend Alan coming here to work at Metro this spring.

**Neal** - he and his husband Matt are moving to London

**Jonathan** - visiting and thankful for welcoming him

**Anita's friend** - dealing with illnesses

**Ben (Jacob's brother)** - mental health

**LAST 3 MONTHS:**

**Deborah and Glen** - looking at a new housing opportunity

**Tony** - sister Julia broke her nose

**Ann Atkins (Paula's friend)** - passed away

**Ruby** - upcoming cataract surgery

**Florida families and victims**

**Andrea (Maren's mother)** – Breast cancer has returned. She is starting Chemo pills.

**Ginny (Brittani's mother)** - fired from her job

**Ravi (immigration activist)** – facing deportation. Decision will be on March 15.

**All those facing Immigration problems**

**Dan** - 3 men he knows who overdosed

**Katie and Charlotte (Barbara Tolbert's daughter and her partner)** – new baby

**Colleen (Dan's step grandmother)** – Parkinson's

**Julia** – Play opening off-broadway soon.

**Anita Massengill and Family** – Anita's sister in law, Barbara Tolbert, passed away. Service on March 31.

**Richard (Roger's friend)** - Chemo

**Scott K and family and friends of Nathan Jatco in St Louis who passed away**

**Stacey (Alliance of Baptists Pastor)** – recently diagnosed with stage 4 tissue cancer

**Bombing in Kabul**

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**Anita (Paula's friend)** - surgery this week

**Tiffany** – safe travels to and from GA

**Brett's parents** - moving houses, facing tough decisions

**Tony** - mom in NYC!

**Jim (Tiffany's stepfather)** - kidney issues, outpatient surgery

**Lesley-Ann and family** – uncle Steve passed away

**Davidson's father** – high cholesterol, stroke risk high, kidney problems

**Paula's friend** – mother has advanced breast cancer

**Paula's friend** – husband dealing with addiction

**Eunice** - difficulties from advanced aging

**Chloe (Paula's niece)**

**Ruby** - friend Jay passed away

**HIV/AIDS community**

**Francine (Connie's sister)** – illness

**Joe and Laura** - prayers for her mom's health and particularly traversing finances and health care with her husband.

**Dean and Dorothy Kaufman (former Metro members)**

**ONGOING CONCERNS:**

**Susan B** - cancer

**Cliff (Melissa's Dad)** – in clinical trial for cancer

**Marina (friend of Brett)** - colon cancer

**Kathy (friend of Eileen)** - cancer

**Regina (Glenn's cousin)** - large tumor

**Courtney Craven's father** – heart surgery, cancer

**Ron (Maren's former pastor)** – prostate cancer

**Christina's grandfather** – leukemia.

**Alan's friends** - diagnosed with brain cancer

**Roger's Sister** - brain tumor

**Lisa (Laurel's aunt)** – cancer

**Jesse Voss (Laura's Dad)** - heart issues

**Christy (former Metro member)** – leukemia

**Robert's niece** – leukemia and stroke.

**Stevie (friend of Graham)** – brain tumor

**Laurel's Father** – melanoma

**Sharon (friend of Christina)** – cancer returned

**Sandra (Alan's former teacher)** – cancer

**Mary (friend of Roger)** – brother battling cancer

**Tia (friend of Paula)** – pancreatic cancer

**Liz (friend of Becky in Sudan)** – cancer

**Rachel (sister of Adam S.)** – cancer diagnosis

**WHO WE ARE**

Metro Baptist Church is a Christian community where all are welcome regardless of gender, age, sexual identity, ethnicity, social standing, education, or economic status. We believe that everyone is created by God in the likeness of God to be a full participant in God's redemptive plan.

Metro Baptist Church seeks to be a free and faithful voice of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, adhering to historic Baptist principles, freedoms and traditions. We value worship, religious education, missions and evangelism, theological depth and diversity, intellectual openness, religious freedom, social consciousness, responsible stewardship, and warm fellowship.

We receive into membership any person who publicly professes faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. If you are a Christian and are not active in a church, we invite you to become a vital part of the Metro Baptist Church family by transfer of your church letter or by statement of faith. If you do not identify yourself as a Christian, we invite you to begin that journey of discipleship with Christ this very day. Please speak with one of our ministers at the close of this morning's service if you wish to join the Metro family in our journey of faith.



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*To all who are weary and need rest,  
To all who mourn and need comfort,  
To all who are lonely and need friendship,  
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,  
To all who sin and need a savior,  
To all who are glad and would serve,  
This church opens wide its doors.*

**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 11, 2018**