

## 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 11/18 – 11/25)

**David M** - on December 13 he has a pulmonary vein procedure to fix his ongoing atrial fibrillation. Prayers for peace of mind and to get this fixed.

**Paula Nance** - City Well UMC in NC who is providing sanctuary for a man who was recently arrested when he left the church at the invite of government officials.

**Ken** – Dec 7 court date

### Continuing Concerns of Our Church Community:

#### LAST WEEK:

**Melissa H. & family** - her father passed away  
**Riverside (Stephen's old church)** - worshipping in their new church space!

**Paula** - friends in need of prayer

#### LAST 3 MONTHS:

**California shooting and fires**

**Charlotte and Blake Johnson**

**Roger's mother** - caretaker coming in every day

**Tiffany's grandmother Margaret** - not doing as well as hoped

**Tiffany's sister Tracy** - car accident. She is fine.

**Lynne Felton** - mother died

**Guynema (Maren's former music teacher)** - serious car accident and long recovery

**Margaret's mother** - breast cancer, but good prognosis

**Ruby** - sister Janice passed away

**The Meade family (friends of Kathy)** - Ed passed away last week, leaves behind a lot of family, including wife Janine

**Lottie (Lesley-Anne's friend's daughter)** - weighs 5 pounds now!

**Tuni (Alan's friend Shamina's sister)** - cancer drug trial = hope!

**Trevor's mom** - high blood pressure, had stents inserted but they haven't reduced it as much as expected

**Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh after the synagogue shootings**

**Michael** - Doctor is keeping an eye on the lesion that is on his head. MRI and CT Scan scheduled for December.

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**Brittani's father** – hearing in December to see if he can receive disability benefits because of worsening blindness

**Roger's cousin** – colon cancer.

**John Allen Chau** – missionary who was killed last week.

**Chunha Park (friend of Marcus) and family** – father passed away suddenly

**Joanna (Joan V.'s friend)** - in bad nursing home, trying to get through paperwork to move her to a better one

**Betty Grandison** – former member – health

**Merlin (Roger's friend)** - recent cancer diagnosis

**Indonesia** - victims of recent natural disasters

**Jacob & Rebecca Wilson** - recent death of Jacob's grandmother

**Paula's mom** – dealing with memory issues

**Paula and family** – Uncle Leon passed away

**Children of Barbara Lebron**, who passed away suddenly last week.

**Sufen Huang (wife of Jiushuang Chen, former Metro visitor and friend of Roger)** – diagnosed with ovarian cancer.

**Oscar (Dan's friend)** - prostate cancer.

**Isabella** - family in Virginia

**Alfonso (Connie's brother)** - passed out from diabetes

### ONGOING CONCERNS:

**Gerri** - misses Metro, ongoing health problems

**Eunice** – Health

**John Halbrook and Lorri Miller** – death of son, Greg

**Anita** – continued prayers for her family after loss of her sister-in-law

**Henkel Family** – Dan and Tiffany's nephew Peter recently passed away

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

**Susan B** - cancer

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

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

**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

**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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# METRO BAPTIST CHURCH



*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.*

## December 2, 2018