

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.

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 5/19– 5/26)

Fizell (Roger's cab driver)

Ruby – show for Pride on June 28

Ruby – celebrating 27 years since AIDS diagnosis

Pride in NYC – 4 million people coming to the city

Anita (Alan Green's sister) – divorced and now living with their mother and it's working out beautifully.

Continuing Concerns of Our Church Community:

LAST WEEK:

Julia's brother and Michael's sister - married and going through adoption process of 2 babies who will be officially their son and daughter very soon!

Megan (Michael's younger sister) – going through 3 things simultaneously: divorce process, laid off from job, moving.

Ken - will be performing Gospel of John at Sheen Center – during Advent it will series of performances!

Carol – broken arm

Victoria (Tony's sister) – graduating and taking a gap year.

Tony – going through a lot of transitions

Deborah Doering's Father – car accident rehab going well.

Glenn and Deborah – working in faith art camp this summer.

Becca G (friend of Paula) – having a second interview

Chloe (Paula's niece) – health problems.

Women who are angry, afraid, confused, and out of options.

LAST 3 MONTHS:

Debbie (friend of Paula) – mother passed away
Roger Smith's Aunt and Uncle and friend Karen.

Randy McCloud – health problems and his dog had an injury.

Chad and Brianna from Graffiti - Chad has to have open heart surgery on Thursday.

Coworker of Susie (Paula's friend) – hit by bike.

Daughter of Bob and Beth (friends of Paula) – experiencing racism in Spokane.

Maureen (friend of James) – struggling through divorce and difficulty finding a home.

Benicio (Julian's classmate) – hit by SUV, multiple ankle fractures.

Julian's class – many experienced their classmate getting hit by a car and are dealing with trauma.

Emma (Julia Day's twin sister) – suffering shoulder pain and unable to work.

Julia's friend – diagnosed with cancer at age 40.

Community of author/blogger Rachel Held Evens – passed away.

Jane (Ronnie's sister-in-law) – recovering from cancer operation.

Charlie (Barbara's cousin) and wife Pettis – healing from knee surgery followed by back surgery.

Church Life:

Our Pastors & Staff in their various ministry responsibilities through Metro and RMM

Brazilian Baptist Church

The Staff and Ministries of the Alliance of Baptists, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, Church World Service, National Council of Churches and Graffiti/East 7th St. Baptist

Hailey (Laura B's sister's daughter in law) – has CP and is in the ICU.

Laura B's nephews – in a car accident

Paula's Aunth Martha – in a nursing home. Son traveling to see her, but she is alone a lot.

Pamela – more upbeat than usual, attributes it to her new diet.

Paul Lord (friend of Troy Messenger) - prostate cancer.

Michael and Karen Markham – pregnant with 3rd child.

Anita's niece and her husband Tom – looking for work.

Velma - Prayer's for relief from conflict at work.

Gail (friend of Paula) – difficult time in life.

California synagogue shooting.

Explosions in Sri Lanka.

Louise (Paula's friend) - son Paul & wife Susan had twins, one stillborn, other doing OK.

Brenda (friend of Roger) – recovering from surgery and dealing with other health issues.

Will (Dan's father) - difficulties with church politics.

Stefan (Margaret's uncle) - stage 4 cancer.

Dan's high school coach - chest pains, clogged arteries.

Eric - a homeless veteran Cat met in the subway

Bud (Maren's friend's father) - found a tumor, figuring out treatment.

Kathy (Maren's former pastor Ron's wife) – cancer

Kenneth (Marcy's friend in UK) – passed away.

Prayers for his parents in Malaysia and his partner John.

ONGOING CONCERNS:

Henkel Family – One year anniversary of the passing of Dan and Tiffany's nephew Peter

Gerri - 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

Stacey (Alliance of Baptists Pastor) – stage 4 tissue 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

Christy (former Metro member) – leukemia

Robert's niece – leukemia and stroke.

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.

METRO BAPTIST CHURCH



Image of where Paul and Silas are believed to have been jailed



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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.*

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