

IMMC Prayer Memo

September 2021

Scripture focus:

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen (Eph 3:20-21, NIV).

September 5 - 11

Prairie Street Mennonite Church, Elkhart, IN
Pastors: Quinn Brenneke, Cyneatha Millsaps

Prairie Street Mennonite Church is celebrating 150 years of ministry since its founding in 1871. You are warmly invited to celebrate with us on Saturday, September 18 from 2 - 10:00 p.m. in our parking lot at 1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart. We will celebrate alongside our Latino neighbors as they remember their home countries' independence and cultural celebrations. ¡Nos vemos allí!

September 12 - 18

Shalom Mennonite Church, Indianapolis, IN
Pastors: Brian Bither, Craig Oury

Praises: We thank God that we have recently hired a new co-pastor, Craig Oury, after a long pastoral search and that we were able to host a masked, outdoor dedication service in which we named our park after the founding pastor, Dagge Assefa.

Prayers: We pray for guidance as we will spend much of this month deciding how best to move forward in our anti-racism efforts, and we pray that God will help sustain our community now we have switched back to virtual services.

September 19 - 25

Sunnyside Mennonite Church, Elkhart, IN
Pastors: Charles Geiser, Terri Geiser

At Sunnyside we are grateful that in spite of all of the challenges that we have faced this last year, God has been faithful and we have experienced the Spirit's presence and work among us even as we have primarily gathered by Zoom, until recently, for worship and other meetings.

Prayers for:

1. Our intentional anti-racism work that it truly be a process of life-long spiritual formation as we learn about and confront the racism in our society, our church and ourselves.
2. That we continue to grow in understanding and be mutually enriched as we share time and space with our sister church, Piedra Viva.
3. The beginning of La Posada Immigration Resource Center, located at Sunnyside, as it serves the needs of immigrants in our community.

September 26 - October 2

Walnut Hill Mennonite Church, Goshen, IN
Pastor: Ben Bouwman, Carmen Horst

We give thanks to God for the ability to gather together again for worship and fellowship. We ask for prayer for creativity and insight as we seek to intentionally nurture community. Also, as we seek to connect with our church neighborhood.

Other items to pray for in September:

Pray for the members and work of the leadership teams of IMMC as they gather for All Teams Retreat on September 17-18 via zoom.

Where there is no specific prayer request made, please pray for the congregation and pastor(s) as the Spirit directs you. This monthly prayer memo will be found on the IMMC website.