



Black Rock Church PRAYER LIST

August 9, 2017

“The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16)

BLACK ROCK NEEDS:

- Pray for Pastor Allaby who was hospitalized, but is coming home Wednesday, 8/9. Pray for continued healing. You can send a card to the home address: 123 Lyon Road, Woodstock Valley, CT 06282 (1)
- Pray for Oxana Baryshevtsev who had a stroke. Pray for her recovery and strength. (1)
- Pray for Jim and Sophie Cashavelly as decisions must be made soon about Jim’s ongoing care needs. Ask God for clear direction and wisdom in these matters. (1)
- Pray for Linda Grayeck. Although Linda’s condition is showing some improvement. Please continue to pray for this situation and her family. (3)
- Sue Hornstra requests prayer regarding her job which was eliminated and she is now unemployed. Pray that she will be employed soon.
- “Thank you for all your prayers, meals and cards for my total knee replacement surgery that was successful. Please continue to pray for complete recovery.” Rachelle and Jerome Mitchell (3)
- Pray for Markie Nelson as she recovers from a recent surgical procedure. Especially pray for the return of her strength and complete healing. Pray also as she cares for her brother, Dave, who is in poor health. (3)
- Greg O’Sullivan’s twin brother, Tom, had a successful surgery to remove a blood clot in his leg. Pray for continued strength and for Tom to regain his walking ability while in rehab. Pray for no reappearance of the clot and complete healing. (3)
- Ken Steeves, Sr. had a partial hip replacement procedure and is now in physical therapy. Pray for good rehabilitation, and healing. (4)
- Pray for the Ulmer family as they grieve the passing of Robert. May God’s peace and comfort be with them and especially to his wife, Diane. (1)
- Pray for Hilary Wade’s family as they grieve her unexpected passing this week. Ask God to comfort Claudia Massey, her sister, and the entire family during this difficult season. (1)
- Pray for those in the Black Rock Church family seeking employment: Rachel Bassick, Dan and Kathleen Boeger, Gary Corde, John DeBlock, Linda Downing, Tom Larsen
- Pray for George Veth and others in the Black Rock Church family who are receiving cancer treatments.

BLACK ROCK NEEDS AND CONNECTIONS:

- Pray for Linda Coles and her family as they grieve the passing of Ray, her brother-in-law in New Mexico. Especially pray for Fran, her sister, during this difficult time. (1)
- Craig and Nancy Samuelson’s nephew and Sarah Purdy’s cousin, David, was found unconscious over a week ago and has been hospitalized ever since in serious condition. Pray for wisdom for the doctors to find the cause of his symptoms and how to treat him. (1)
- Pray for Ted Dudics, brother to Joyce and Julius, who has been hospitalized with a serious sepsis bacterial infection affecting his organs. Pray for healing and clear direction regarding ongoing treatment. (1)
- Pray for Debbie (Barbara Mwanga’s mother) who is home but continues to battle a serious illness. Ask God to grant this family healing and peace. (3)
- Pray for Ken Lafex’s sister-in-law, Marianne, who has tumors on her liver and is having chemotherapy for treatment. Pray that treatments will go well. (3)
- Donette Esposito would like prayer for her Aunt Trudy who has been diagnosed with a very aggressive breast cancer. She is undergoing chemotherapy. Pray that treatments go well and for complete healing. (3)

CARE AND RETIREMENT FACILITIES:

Jayne Banacowski – Saint Camillus Care, 494 Elm Street, Stamford, CT 06902

HOMEBOUND:

Corrected address from last week

Hannah Gilroy – 180 Bailey Road, Middletown, CT 06457

MILITARY PERSON OF THE WEEK:

Major Joseph Schneider – (Terry and Donna Schneider’s son) 2665 Ardennes Circle, Seaside, California 93955

PASSINGS:

8.5.17 – Robert Ulmer – a memorial service will be held at Black Rock Church on Saturday, September 2, at 10:00 am in the Gathering Room, reception to follow

8.8.17 - Hilary Wade, a graveside service, open to all who wish to show their support, will be held on Monday, August 14, 11:00 am at the Lawncroft Cemetery in Fairfield.

Please note: It is the responsibility of the person submitting a prayer request to contact the church office with updates. Black Rock staff reserves the right to edit or delete submissions. Requests will be included on this sheet for 2-4 weeks.

BLACK ROCK MINISTRIES

BLACK ROCK CHURCH

Pray that Black Rock will be a genuine lighthouse to the communities it serves. Also pray that our church family will invite to services and other connection opportunities those who need to know that God loves them and has an amazing plan for their lives. Lastly, pray that those who have recently come to Jesus will grow as his followers.

ADULTS:

As we have entered our Summer months, pray that many people are taking their next steps into connection and spiritual growth. Also pray that people are still faithful in our “**Read It, Live It**” read through the Bible in 2017 initiative.

CARE:

Pray for our **Care Shepherds** as they serve those who are ill, isolated or otherwise in need within the church family. Also pray for the **Care Leadership Team** (deacons and deaconesses), particularly, Pat Sorgenti, secretary, Susan Keeler, treasurer, and acting chairperson, Gaylord Lemke. Pray for those who need to attend the **Living Free Recovery Night** in the Fall.

KIDS:

Pray for our **Kids Ministry staff and volunteers** as they share God’s love through service and teaching. Also pray that many children will be drawn to Jesus through our summer ministries. Expressly pray that children and their families will choose to follow and grow daily in the Lord.

STAFF PERSON OF THE WEEK:

Kim Stanley – Nursery Volunteer

STUDENTS:

Pray for our **Student Ministry staff/volunteers** as they model Christ’s character in their lives to our youth and influence students to form lifelong commitments to the Savior. Pray also for spiritual growth in the growing number of students coming to Black Rock each week.

WORSHIP:

Continue praying for our **Worship Ministry teams** as they seek to glorify God through music and message each week. Expressly pray for the effective use of our Worship Center as a tool to creatively communicate the good news of the Gospel to our guests. Pray that this life-changing narrative, expressed through music and message, will powerfully influence those who need to receive Jesus as their Savior. Also pray for the members of our technical team as they oversee the media and sound areas that are so essential to our message.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

Lani Shade – Pray that God would protect their family and ministry from spiritual attack and that they would be diligent in prayer and Bible study; that amidst several difficult challenges, God will give them wisdom in making decisions and energy to carry out His vision.

Tim and Jessie Siegrist – Pray for God to drive underclassmen to their ministry. Pray for continued excitement and increasing love for Jesus among the student leadership; for continued and increasing favor and support with fundraising and growing the student leadership team.

Megan Silver – Pray for student leaders to come forward and for students and faculty at University of Bridgeport to pursue Jesus in all things as they grow in community. Pray for a strong start to the ministry in the fall and that it will be a year that they see many students accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

Craig and Kris Slater – Pray for Navigators to develop a better understanding of the changing global climate and complexities of mission sending. Pray that they would then position themselves to better respond to these realities. Pray that God would enable them to identify ways that Navigators can be better responsive and positioned to launch and serve sustainable BAM models to advance the Gospel into nations and contexts closed to traditional missions.

Clint and Vivienne Smith – Pray that God will help them empower workers in North Africa to be effective in doing ministry that will lead to church planting. Pray for media outreach, an especially effective tool as North Africans in their target country spend a lot of time on social media and internet. Pray for effective ways of reaching the many North Africans living outside the country due to internal chaos.

Richard and Susan Snyder – Pray that Richard and Susan will adjust to their new roles at SIM headquarters in Charlotte, NC. Pray for the family’s continued transition as they now know that they will remain in the U.S. Pray that their sons David and Brian will know without a doubt that God loves and cares for them.

Bill and Cathy Sparks – Pray that Bill will have discernment, wisdom and strength as he leads the European work of Navigators. Pray that he will provide strong spiritual and executive leadership to the European region. Pray for both Bill and Cathy to continue to grow in their walk with God and to learn appropriate balance for their work taking into account their physical, emotional and spiritual walk.



Kevin and Cami Zwart

The Zwarts moved to Namibia last year to assume the shared role of Namibia Unit Leaders. Together, they work in pastoral care and administration of AIM members. They seek to increase mission scope and impact in Namibia. In Kevin’s secondary role as a theological consultant, he reviews and develops current theological practices and provides feedback on new regional initiatives.

Pray for wisdom as they lead their team, evaluating their needs and encouraging them in their ministries and for work permits for team members will be renewed as needed. Pray for safety in travel for Kevin and the ability to assist, evaluate and encourage alternative theological education programs throughout Southern Africa.