



# Black Rock Church PRAYER LIST

December 13, 2017

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

## ***BLACK ROCK NEEDS:***

- Bruce Hay has been hospitalized with a foot infection. Pray for effective treatment, rapid healing and a full recovery. Also pray for Joyce, his wife. (1)
- Pray for Jenny Currie. She is pregnant and is due to have her and Kent's third child, June, 2018. She has not been feeling well for a while due to nausea and feeling sick. Pray that she will soon be relieved from these feelings and regain her health and energy. Also pray for the baby's good health and strength.
- Bev Isselee has been ill and asks prayer for clear results from medical tests, healing, and that she would soon feel better. (3)
- Pray for John Mendez and his family. His mother, Susan, had a surgical procedure at Sloan Kettering in New York to monitor her pain by using a pain pump. Pray for successful results in her pain management. (1)
- This Monday, PJ Nunez had his trachea surgery. This is a step forward to help the doctors further identify why PJ continues to suffocate. They previously removed the breathing tube, but PJ didn't make it past 24 hours before suffocating again. Continue to pray for PJ; that he would be able to breathe on his own, and for Jonathan and Gina, his parents, as they care for him. (1)
- Alex Pappas suffers from Lyme disease. Pray for Alex's encouragement, healing and full recovery. Also pray for Christine, his wife, as she takes care of her husband. (2)
- Dr. David Topazian is now under Hospice care. Pray for his comfort and peace. Especially pray for Deidre and the entire family during this poignant season. (1)
- Pray for those in the Black Rock Church family seeking employment: Dan and Kathleen Boeger, Linda Downing, Sue Hornstra, Tom Larsen.
- Pray for Donna Cenerizio, George Veth, Susan Mendez and others in the Black Rock Church family who are receiving cancer treatments.

## ***BLACK ROCK NEEDS AND CONNECTIONS:***

- Dianne requests prayer for a friend who has stage 4 cancer and may have only months to live. Pray for this young man and his family during this difficult time. Especially pray that they will know God's comfort and peace. (1)
- Al Meredith, a long-time member of Black Rock Church, is going through some physical challenges; pray for healing and strength. Al has God's peace (2)
- Pray for David Bluvol who had back surgery on December 5. Pray that surgery was successful, and for good recovery and strength. (2)
- Jennifer requests prayer for her best friend, whose mom, Lynne, passed away. Pray for God's peace and comfort for the family. (2)
- Debra Belt requests prayer for her sister, Lyle Bowman, diagnosed with lung cancer. She is to have surgery to remove one of her lungs. Pray that surgery be successful, for complete healing from cancer, and good recovery. (3)
- Grace Knechtle would like us to pray for her Auntie Pat who lives in Pennsylvania and is in the hospital. Pat was to have surgery on 12/7. Pray that surgery went well, and for her good health and strength. (3)
- Dottie Allen's friend and former Black Rock member Dee Bertola is going through cancer treatment. Pray for healing and strength for Dee. (1)
- Ruth Gray had an MRI-guided biopsy on Monday. She would like us to pray that God will be glorified through her circumstances, and that He will continue to sustain her and Skip. (1)

## ***CARE AND RETIREMENT FACILITIES:***

**Lucille Sahagian** – Watermark at 3030 Park Avenue, #4E4, Bridgeport, CT 06604

## ***HOMEBOUND:***

**Alice Bennett** – 36 Birchside Drive, Norwalk, CT 06850

## ***MILITARY PERSON OF THE WEEK:***

**Brad Anderson** - (Army Reserves) – 32 Woodlawn Terrace, Shelton, CT 06484

**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 enter the holiday season, 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). Pray for those who need to attend and for those facilitating **Living Free Recovery Night** on Thursday nights at 7:00pm.

#### **KIDS:**

Pray for our **Kids Ministry staff and volunteers** as they share God’s love through service and teaching. Expressly pray that children and their families will choose to follow and grow daily in the Lord. Pray for the need for more volunteers to serve on Sunday mornings to help with our Shine ministry (a ministry for special needs children).

#### **STAFF PERSON OF THE WEEK:**

**Winnie Akaba** – Special Needs 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. Pray that the Gospel seeds planted during the Adore worship musical would grow and enable people to find new life in Christ this Christmas.

### **GLOBAL MISSIONS**

**Liz Leaman** – Pray that many people would come to Christ through the ministry. Pray that Liz would have boldness, wisdom, insight and creativity in sharing the love of Christ with refugees with whom she interacts. Pray for their church as it continues to minister to refugees and tell them the good news of Jesus.

**Jaime and Emi L.** – Pray for the family as they continue spending time with family in Mexico before they leave for overseas. Pray that God will provide the right family who will welcome the L.’s into their home and be their guides into their new culture when they arrive in their host country. Pray that God will lead them to the right local organization where Jaime can use his gifts and be a blessing in the city where they will live. Pray for the health of family members: Jaime, Emi, Jacob, Naomi.

**MedSend** – Pray that God will guide as they develop MedSend Nationals into a full-fledged program. Pray for effective ministry, health and safety of MedSend grant recipients, especially for those who serve where security and terrorism are a concern. Pray that fundraising objectives will be achieved to enable qualified healthcare professionals to answer God’s call to missionary service.

**Aaron and Esra M.** – Pray that God will give them wisdom regarding which ministry opportunities to pursue, which to postpone, and which to decline. Pray for God’s provision as they work to develop a website for Esra’s coaching work. Pray that God will move mightily and equip many to build the Kingdom of God in their host country.

**Mission India** – Pray for India’s Christians, who face intensifying persecution and harassment for their faith. Pray for new disciples to be encouraged in their faith and bold in their witness. Pray for continued openness to the Gospel in India.

**John and Gail Morris** – Pray for continued good health, energy and time to fulfill his video ministry. Pray for wisdom and clarity in writing, teaching and evangelism materials. Pray for increased funding to grow the ministry, specifically for adding staff or outsourcing.

**New Europe Vision** – Pray for safety of national Christian workers in dangerous areas, especially in regions dominated by Muslims whose opposition to the Gospel ministry is growing. Pray for expansion of ministry among refugees from the Middle East and North Africa, for supply of material help, dry food articles and hygiene and children/baby food and clothing. Pray for scholarships for students at Evangelical Theological Seminary in Osijek and daughter Bible school in Mostat, since most students come from poor homes and nations and no student loans or grants are available.



**Hans and Carrie Franzen** - As InterVarsity USA’s Assistant National Director of Chapter Planting, Hans provides oversight of chapter planting initiatives, training and the work of IVCF staff and students. He focuses on helping staff and student teams effectively start chapters on unreached campuses. Pray for more effective and successful outreaches to community colleges and commuter schools and for more students across the country to plant new gospel movements on their campuses. Also, pray that InterVarsity will reach 1,000 campuses across the U.S.