

PRAYER LETTER FOR GRACE OF CHRIST CHURCH | Week of November 23, 2020

HOPE | *“But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” So, you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.” Galatians 4.4-7*

Advent begins this Sunday, November 29 and with it, Hope. For the past couple of weeks, we have been asking our church family to give gifts to our Giving Tree for Adams Elementary students. 250 students, to be exact. Isn't that something? Our church gets to bless all those kiddos and their families! So far, we've collected about 25 gifts...yes, we are quite short of our promise to the staff at Adams.

This week's scripture reminds us that God is in control and he is our hope. He is the one who created the heavens and earth. The one who came to save us. The one to whom we cry out, Abba Father! And the one who guides us and intercedes for us.

I am making the choice to be grateful. For those who have given gifts to the Giving Tree and for the team at Adams and at our church that are planning on ways to bless those Adams families. God has a plan, much bigger than mine and much better than we can imagine. I trust him. My hope is in him.

Happy Christmas Season!
Ericka Clark

P.S. If you want to take part in our Giving Tree, please bring your new, unwrapped toys, games, and stuffed animals (grades 1-5) to the church by December 7. Thank you!

PRAISES

- Thank you, God, for keeping the pools open so I have a job and my husband can exercise!
- I am grateful for my family and friends that I spoke with this week.
- Praising Jesus, Dan is feeling better!
- Praise the Lord for our friend's recovery from Covid19.
- So thankful for our church community and prayer warriors!
- God has been showing me he is everything to me!
- Thank you, Lord, very much for the beautiful prelude by Jon, and the two hymns we sang.
- Praising God, Bill's message was especially meaningful today. God's blessings on him, for his work.
- So thankful for all our church does in the community and for the plans to love on others in this season.
- Thank you for this series on the prodigal son. It has helped me as family issues have arisen. Also thank you for your words regarding serving God through the gift of music. For many years as a soloist in Temple Choir this was how I felt, that this was a ministry I could give.
- Praises for a new addition to our extended family.

PRAYERS

- Praying for Verna's dad in Canada who is nearing the end of his life here on earth. Lord, bring them all peace and comfort in this time.
- Please pray for healing and complete wellness for Vasa. She has an inoperable life-threatening condition affecting blood supply to her brain. Please pray for a Thanksgiving miracle for Vasa.

- Prayers that J continues healing fully from foot surgery.
- Praying for less pain in a very painful health issue.
- Please pray for my eyes to stay focused on GOD n not on circumstances
- Praying our church staff, leaders and congregation walk the path God has set out before us.
- Prayers for Verna's dad David, and mom Una, as Verna's father nears the end of his days here. Thank you for her dad and mom's faith. Prayers also for her mom who will move to be closer to Verna after her husband's passing. Prayer also for Verna's finals at school during this emotionally difficult time.
- Prayers for the family of Jeanette Kempf as they mourn her recent passing.

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR OUR ELDERS AND DEACONS:

Elders: Jeff Arkills, Rosanne Bacon, Doug Bernd, Bruce Drollinger, Michele Elledge, Marcus Huck, Janet Krieger, Carla Kupp, Loel Labberton, Rich Milhorn, Linda Sorenson, Jeff Steere, Robin Stuber, and Shan Trick.

Deacons: Mike Bealer, Ken & Jeanne Breeding, Joe & Connie Buckley, Doug & Janet Doty, Anneliese Eastridge, Loxi Engebretson, Edith Figueroa-Gonzalez, Debra Girard, Al & Nancy Harding, Rick Larsen, Matt & Sarah Miles, Rinda Mills, Cindy Peugh, Monte Schilperoort, Cathy Simons, Peggy Steere, Alicia Stephens, Steve & Kathy Stermolle, Carol Stuhley, Barbara Toweill, Don & Jennifer Ulmer, Gloria Valencia, Jake Weber and Doris Wheeler.

1 Corinthians 15.57 "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."