

# Week of 8/14/2023

#### Words of Encouragement

"I acknowledge it often seems more difficult to trust God than to obey Him. The moral will of God given to us in the Bible is rational and reasonable. The circumstances in which we must trust God often appear irrational and inexplicable....Obeying God is worked out within well-defined boundaries of God's revealed will. Trusting God is worked out in an arena that has no boundaries. We do not know the extent, the duration, or the frequency of the painful, adverse circumstances in which we must frequently trust God. We are always coping with the unknown."

- Jerry Bridges

# Pray for the Unreached

Devanga People of India

Population: 582,000 | Primary religion: Hinduism | Percent Evangelical Christian: 0.00%

Pray for the Holy Spirit to anoint Devanga families, especially the children and youth. Pray he will raise up a new generation of fruitful, multiplying witnesses of Christ's mercy and love. Pray that the believers among the Devanga would shine the light of Christ to their Hindu neighbors and families. Pray that Devanga people would see the futility of their current worship practices and experience a growing desire to know the truth of God's word. Pray for the Lord to multiply the reception and influence of his Word among the Devanga, leading them to love him with their whole being.

#### Calendar

- Friday: 9:00 AM Prayer Time at the church
- Sunday: 10:30 AM Worship Service

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## **Prayer Requests**

- Betty Fukushima -Please pray for my dad, Earl Goins. He fell and broke his hip. He will be celebrating his 98th birthday on Tuesday (8/15).
- Nickie Sacco Her customer's, Lisa Monahan, daughter Alydia is 23 years old and has aggressive breast cancer. She will be having a double mastectomy.
- Megan LaRose Please pray for her friend, Scotty, who broke his neck in a cycling accident. Pray for healing.
- Megan LaRose Please pray for her daughters.
- Charles Salter was taken to the hospital and admitted over the weekend because of difficulty breathing. Please pray for healing.
- Keagan Monteith- pray for his family as they mourn the loss of his grandmother.
- Marcus Lester My mom, Carrie, had laser surgery on her right eye Friday the 4th to remove some build up that's causing vision blockage. Pray for a quick recovery.
- Marcus Lester Terrance Brown (my sister Stacy's boyfriend) has been diagnosed with kidney failure. He has chosen not to do dialysis. Pray for true salvation and family.
- Russell Lee Please lift Shane Norris up in your prayers. He was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He is a strong believer however, he has asked prayers for his wife and family as they consult/evaluate the various treatment options.
- Please pray for Jeff Mason as he has a follow-up from his biopsy procedure on Wednesday. Please pray for negative results and for continued healing.
- Kitty Dillon Please pray for my nephew, Jason. He had a stroke. Praise God he survived, but rehab will be long. He is a believer.
- Russell & Kathy Lee Please pray for our daughter Amy, she recently lost her home due to flooding. Pray for God's guidance, temporary housing, insurance issues, and peace for Amy.
- Charles Salter Please pray for his cousin, Lori Shipman. She has COPD and also please pray for her salvation.
- Russell Lee Update: Our daughter (Amy's) heart surgery was successful. Please continue to pray for her as she is dealing with frequent high heart rates and afib.

#### **Scripture Reading**

Please read **one passage 5 times** in preparation for this week's sermon and communion.