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1. Let's thank the Lord for...

- the fruitful time in Ghana and Sri Lanka
- the promise of His anointing upon Bishop-elect Cliff and Karlene Fletcher during these days of preparation

2. Church Health Ministries: Please pray for:

Churches in transition: *Saskatchewan*: Cornerstone Community Church, Prince Albert; *Alberta:* Mewassin FMC; *Ontario*: Blue Mountain Community Church, Thornbury; Caistor Centre, Dryden FMC, Frankford Community Church, Harrowsmith FM Church, Pineview FMC, Polson Park FMC, Ryde Centennial FMC, Gravenhurst; Smiths Falls FMC; Warkworth FMC, Warkworth; Wesley Chapel Japanese Church, Toronto; Westdale Park FMC, Napanee; Whitby FMC; *Quebec:* Tabernacle de la Grace, Montreal

- next generations ministries in our churches that ways will be found to make disciples and develop leaders among our young people
- our churches, that they would become the kinds of churches our neighborhoods/ communities need.
- our willingness to be formed into the kinds of Christ followers we are called to be

3. Church Planting Ministries: Please pray for:

 Church planters: Stephensons (Ridgeway), Dozlaws (Saskatoon), Seidus (Winnipeg), Dexters (Okotoks), Sheffields (Hamilton), Woo Sung Shim (Mississauga), Paul Altidor (Montreal), Wilder Boutin (Montreal), Paulo Mugarura (Ottawa)

4. Personnel Ministries: Please pray for:

- pastors in transition: William Crozier, Derek Spink, Kim Henderson, Woo Sung Shim
- those working on finishing foundational courses assignments
- candidates preparing for spring interviews with MEGaP (March 18 in SK; April 1, 8 and 22 in ON)
- Pastoral Leadership Task Forces (PLTFs) of churches in transition



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5. Stewardship Ministries: Please pray for:

- who are feeling overwhelmed as winter heating and Christmas debt bills arrive
- the preparation of new Whole Life Generosity material
- God to continue to stir our hearts with generosity toward the support of His work

6. International Child Care Ministries (ICCM): Please pray for: Burundi:

- Pastors and their children in Burundi. Pray for the work that the pastors are a part of in the country.
- Timothee's leadership with ICCM. That he will be protected as he travels to retrieve letters from the children around Burundi.
- the students at Hope Africa University who are working hard to complete their degrees.

7. FMCiC Chaplains: Please pray for:

Armed Forces: Michael Allen, Stephen An, Andrew Klinger, Bob Lay Corrections: Fred Boom, Abraham Yonas; Health Care: Jacki Barbour, Lorraine Buffam, David Gifford, Brenda Haggett, David Howick, John Vlainic

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8. Beyond Canada Ministries: Please pray for:

- Sok Em's continuing ministry plans for Tahas Bible Institute in Kampong Chhnang, Cambodia.
- Debbie Hogeboom (Kenya) as she teaches at Kenya Highlands University, Kericho.
- Chansouk Piengkham (Thailand) as he is involved in evangelism and disciple-making among the Lahus and Laotians.
- David and Jennifer Wright (Niger) for safety in travel and wise use of time as they speak in churches about their ministry. Please pray that the Lord would raise up co-workers for the Wrights and the Niger ministry.

9. FMCiC LifePlan process: Please pray for:

- for the general conference planning committee as they prepare for the upcoming conference
- wisdom, discernment, imagination and courage for the FMCiC LifePlan Study Team as they continue their work

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