

*Thank you for
Praying*

Prayer Requests

Week of November 22nd

1. **Sunday morning requests**—1. *Gail's Mom* - Pray for her Mom's flight to Spokane on Tuesday, that she will have assistance from her door to the airplane. She's taking the airporter. And both will have peace. UPDATE: Gail's Mom had assistance from her doorstep to her son picking her up at the airport in Spokane. Pray all goes well on the way home too. 2. *Jerry* - He's having an injection into his spine on Tuesday. May this help reduce the pain. UPDATE: "Jerry had his spinal shot and everything went OK. We wait now for the steroid to do it's job. Thanks to all for their prayers." Kathy 3. *Beth* - That all will have blessings this Thanksgiving with family and friends. Also journey mercies for all who are traveling. 4. *One unspoken request*.

2. **Synodical**—1. **Central Region** for the week of 11/18-22 1. Pray for the *Thanksgiving and Christmas services* that our churches will be holding that these will be opportunities to share the love of Christ with a broken, spiritually needy world. 2. Pray for *Tim and Monica Collins* as Tim is installed as pastor at Messiah Lutheran Church this Sunday (11/22). 3. Pray for the *seminary faculty and students* as students are preparing to minister the gospel to the churches that they will be serving. 4. Pray for *Bethel Battle Lake*, the multi-site outreach of Bethel LC in Fergus Falls, MN. 5. Pray for the following churches that are going through pastoral transitions: *Bethel Ridge LBC, Faribault, MN; Salem LBC, Grand Rapids, MN; Word of Life LBC, LeSueur, MN; Triumph LBC, Moorhead, MN; and Oak Ridge LBC, Menomonie, WI*. Thanks for your prayers and your support! Stan Olsen

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2. **Synodical**—2. **World Missions**—November 23, 2015 We have a praise item to share with you so you can praise God also. Following is a summary of a text message we received from *Dan Venberg* in Chad: "The first few days of last week Dan was about five hours east of Ndjamena visiting several wells that have been put in, in Bilala villages. This is the area where Marcos and Kirsten Holzner ministered. Abel Nisso is the Chad LB missionary that is serving in that area. One day they were at one of the communities that had received a well. The village chief and the "county" political leaders both expressed their appreciation. The political leader (Muslim) told Dan that this gift and ministry to them is a great testimony for Christianity in Chad. One of the chiefs (all Muslims) said that this gives them reason to listen and take seriously the message of Christianity. Praise God for these open doors and continue to pray for the ministry we as a church have among the Bagirmi, Bilala and Fulbe Muslims of Chad." Following is the agenda for the last week of *Dan Venberg's* itinerary in Chad, which will help as you continue to pray for Dan. November 23 - Dan is joined by *Dean and John Hanson* from Bethesda LBC in Eau Claire. This day will be spent in Ndjamena, registering passports and preparing for the trip to the Bousso region.

24 - Travel to Doh with a stop in Bousso to visit *Chadian Missionary/Pastor Malloum*

25 - 28 - Visiting seven new well recipient communities and some follow up visits to previous well recipient communities, as time allows. Also we will be visiting a couple refugee camps in the region south and east of Bousso where we intervened last year, as well as visiting a new refugee camp in the region of Dik (~100 km south east of Bousso). We will be purchasing/distributing some grain and installing some wells in these camps this year. Dean and John will be accompanying me for much of this. They also plan on spending one day in Doh, hanging out with friends that they met previously when they were guests, and hopefully learning some Fulfulde.

29 - Party! Dean has requested to throw a party in Doh. We will be going all out, butchering a cow and some goats, hiring a grill master ("Bangaro"), hiring some ladies to prepare copious amounts of food and brewing gallons of tea. The whole community of Doh will be invited, along with some other people from surrounding communities I am sure. Our courtyard will be full of people and we will feast and fellowship. This will also be opportunity to share the Gospel.

30 - Return to Ndjamena, December 1st fly out of Chad and December 2nd arrive State side.