

PRAYER BULLETIN

News and Prayer Requests from the Free Presbyterian Churches of North America

REV. ARMEN THOMASSIAN
Calgary Free Presbyterian

Calgary, Alberta

Rev. Armen Thomassian reports that the Calgary congregation is rejoicing in what the Lord has done throughout 2015 to show that His hand is upon the work.

God continues to bring in various unsaved individuals, especially in the evening. The church has been encouraged to see a few more young people attending the evening service. Some of these young people attend other churches, but their hunger for the Word seems to be bringing them to the Calgary FPC evening service. Pray that they would attend the youth gatherings as well.

Mr. Thomassian also reports that December opened a couple of opportunities for carol singing and various other church events. He was encouraged by the keen support of the congregation to help in every way. They also had their first bi-monthly family-and-friends evening, which brought in a number of new faces, including a few unsaved people.

As they look into the near future, the congregation is excited for the baptismal service to be held on January 24, when two young men who sought Christ for salvation last year will be baptized. Mr. Thomassian is also delighted at the possibility of a new radio outreach, a ninety-second Q&A segment airing twice a day from Monday to Friday on a local Christian radio station. Pray that God will iron out the final details of this opportunity and use it for His glory.

As they look into 2016, Mr. Thomassian says he is encouraged about what the Lord is doing slowly but surely and that he appreciates those who have been upholding the work in prayer.

REV. IAN GOLIGHER
Cloverdale Free Presbyterian

Cloverdale, British Columbia

The Cloverdale congregation held three meetings for prayer in the first week of January. The text for the first prayer meeting was Daniel 11:32: "The people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits."

Rev. Ian Goligher reports that the needs within the congregation are many. Souls need to be saved and lives need to be transformed by the gospel. He states that with a marked advance of liberalism in all levels of government and in so many churches, spiritual power is the urgent need in the weekly ministry of the church.

Three people are to be baptized on Sunday, January 31. This service follows a baptism and membership course conducted last year. A series of messages from 2 Peter is being undertaken on Sunday evenings. It will focus on the need for spiritual growth to guard against believers' and the church's testimonies being swept away by the horrible corruption of society.

The church family rejoiced that Mr. Collin Chesney was able to attend the New Year's Eve service. It was his first attendance since his open heart surgery in September. Please pray for an increase in the Sunday school and for the young people to be established in the Word of God.

REV. COLIN MERCER
DR. ALAN CAIRNS, emeritus
Faith Free Presbyterian

Greenville, South Carolina

As Faith Free Presbyterian Church reflects on the past year they are thankful for the Lord's continual goodness and grace. Rev. Colin Mercer says, "Although 2015 was a year of various changes, it also gave opportunity to witness God's faithfulness to His people. His sovereign will, though at times mysterious, is always good for His church. As we enter 2016 we recognize the challenges of ministry in the 21st century and our dependence upon God." With this in mind Pastor Mercer has been stressing the importance of private and congregational prayer. There has been a growing sense of the need to pray, which has been encouraging, and recent prayer meetings have been a special blessing. The great prayer request is "Lord, teach us to pray."

Please pray for those who are ill in the congregation. Please remember in particular Lydia Banfe, who was born in late December. Her birth was traumatic and she suffered brain damage, the full extent of which is unknown at this time. Her parents, Peter and Jackie, are members of Faith FPC

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and Peter is a student in Geneva Reformed Seminary. Please pray for grace and wisdom for them in the coming weeks.

Pastor Mercer travelled to Northern Ireland for the Ulster Ministers' Week of Prayer at the beginning of January. He will continue his series of messages on the book of Philippians on his return. Numerous visitors continue to attend the services for which he is very thankful. Pray that the Lord will add to the congregation and strengthen the witness in Greenville.

REV. SANGHOON HAN
KOREAN Free Presbyterian

**Greenville,
South Carolina**

Rev. Sanghoon Han requests prayer for the Korean church in 2016. First, please pray for the pulpit ministry, that the Lord will nourish the people of God through the preaching. Mr. Han continues to preach the Word in the Korean service. Mr. Steve Ludwig has been preaching in the English service in Korean FPC since Dr. Charles Barrett left Greenville. Once a month the two groups worship together in a combined service and celebrate the Lord's supper.

Second, please pray for the Korean school connected to the church. The school, which teaches the Korean language to children, has been a useful tool for evangelizing the Korean people in the Greenville area. They have a chapel time during the Korean school and have preached the gospel to the students and parents. However, the number of students in the Korean school has shrunk dramatically because another Korean school opened in Greenville last year. Please pray for the school, that God will continue to use it for evangelism.

DR. MARK ALLISON
FPC of Malvern

**Malvern,
Pennsylvania**

On January 3, Dr. Allison preached from Romans 11:36: "For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever." This text on praise is the congregation's verse for the New Year.

On January 16 the quarterly men's prayer meeting will be held in Darlington, Maryland, at the Reformation Bible Church with Dr. John McKnight's men. The Malvern men will attend with their sons and Dr. Allison will preach the Word before the prayer time.

The 4 Truth Bible Club will re-commence on January 30. This ministry is for ages three to eighteen. Paul Trimble, who recently joined the congregation with his family, completed the last repairs needed following the sewage damage in the basement of the church. They now have full use of the basement which enables the Bible club to continue.

On February 6, the congregation will have a banquet at Shady Maple honoring the ministry of Dr. Allison. Dr. Allison's last Lord's Day in Malvern will be on February 7. The congregation requests prayer for the right man to come and pastor the work in Malvern.

REV. DAVE MOOK
Phoenix Free Presbyterian

**Phoenix,
Arizona**

During the month of December, the congregation in Phoenix participated in annual holiday events while preparing to bid farewell to two of its young people as they continue their educations. During the annual Christmas singspiration and fellowship on December 13, the church session noted that Kelsey Morrow, a church member who has spent her whole life in the church, would be moving to Minneapolis at the beginning of 2016 to pursue graduate study toward becoming a chiropractor. The session presented Kelsey a card and cash gift to help in getting her settled in her new home.

On December 20, the church's annual service of Lessons and Carols included a special choral number by all of the young people. On that occasion, the church was also glad to welcome Nathan Tschappler, who was home to visit his family for Christmas. On January 10, the congregation bade farewell to Stephen Tschappler as he returned to Bob Jones University for the final semester of his senior year.

Also on January 10, Rev. Dave Mook preached on the church's motto text for 2016, Isaiah 63:7. As the church embarks on its 30th anniversary year, this text emphasizes the scope of the Lord's blessings on His work since its founding in 1986. The first part of the year will be devoted to planning for the 30th anniversary celebration, including a dinner to be hosted at the church on Friday evening, February 26, and the anniversary services on the subsequent Lord's Day, February 28. Dr. Larry Saunders, moderator of the presbytery, has accepted the session's invitation to preach in those special services that weekend.

Heritage Free Presbyterian
**Prince George,
British Columbia**

The small congregation in Prince George continues to worship the Lord each week with the aid of webcast services on Sermonaudio.com. So far this winter, mild weather has helped attendance. Cheryl Roy is doing very well after surgery to receive a hip replacement. Jean Nilsson suffered the bereavement of her brother who died in December due to cancer. Pray that she may know the Lord's comfort and be given opportunity to witness to her family. Pray for a man to come to Prince George to minister to the people in the church and to evangelize the area.

REV. MYRON MOONEY
Trinity Free Presbyterian

**Trinity,
Alabama**

The Trinity congregation ended 2015 with much rejoicing as Rev. Myron Mooney preached several Sunday morning messages on the reason Christ came. The congregation very much enjoyed renewing fellowship with the Derrick Bowman family as well as the Jeremiah Mooney family during December. Several other visitors have also attended services recently.

Congratulations are due to Joseph and Sarah Bearden on the birth of their third daughter, Faith Victoria, who was born on November 24, 2015. The church family also congratulates Judah Frank on his graduation from the University of Alabama in Huntsville, his engagement to Miss Julia Stitt, and his job offer from United Launch Alliance.

The church family enjoyed an evening of caroling to the elderly and shut-ins shortly before Christmas. They ended the evening with a time of fellowship at the Jacob Frank home. For the New Year's Eve service, the church family viewed *Logic on Fire*, a documentary on the life of Dr. Martin Lloyd-Jones, and enjoyed a fellowship time afterwards.

Current prayer requests include the healing of several sick folks, especially Ginger Garrett, who is suffering with heart and breathing problems. Pastor Mooney requests prayer for an unsaved first cousin who knows he needs Christ and is in poor health.

The church's motto verse for 2016 is John 1:1: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

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