

My *peace*
I give unto you
Let not your *heart*
be troubled, neither let it be afraid.
John 14:27

Father God, You invite me to obey You because You want the very best for me. Please make me eager to obey You, even when I don't understand Your plan. Give me wisdom to recognize the difference between what I think is best, and what Your will is for my life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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PRAYER CONCERNS...

- **Maria MacPhail** who has been hospitalized due to a series of complications as she battles cancer. She is getting stronger and is in good spirits. (7/26)
- **Brian Mattiske** in his battle with cancer as his arm heals. This week there was good news as an MRI showed his brain is clear of cancer. (7/26)
- **Denise Wright's** mother-in-law, **Shirley Wright**, has been fighting liver and lung cancer for three years and has been placed in hospice. (7/24)
- **John & Lori Shortsleeve's** grandson **Gabriel** is scheduled for surgery July 31 to remove his tonsils, adenoids, and also to put in tubes for his ears in hope that his hearing and speech improve. (7/24)
- **Wes Van Ort's** cousin, **Debbie Haggerty** has been diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. Debbie has started chemotherapy at AMC where she will be for several weeks. Stem cell therapy will be needed down the line. We pray for Debbie, her husband Daniel and her concerned family. (7/12)
- **Praying for the families and friends who grieve**, we ask God to comfort them and encourage their faith...
 - **Sandy Burns** and family have experienced an unexpected death in her extended family. (7/12)
 - **Linda Baker's** cousin **Liz** has lost her husband to cancer and other health difficulties. (7/10)
 - **Pastor Steward's** brother **Ramgui** has passed away. (7/7)
 - **Bob Noel's** kind, compassionate, and loving dad, **Bob Noel Sr.**, passed away July 6. (7/6)
 - **Wendy's** husband, **Wade Van Beusichem** passed away on July 1. Thank you for your loving support for Wendy and her family at his memorial on July 8 (7/3).
- **Families are traveling.** (7/10)

Jeremy and Susan Beebout have written to update us on their summer in "the vast expanses of green corn and bean fields of Iowa!" They have loved being united as a family before Lydia returns to UNI and Eliza starts at Iowa State University this fall. In addition, they have been enjoying the opportunity to visit family, friends, and a few of our churches in the Midwest, as well as one on the West and one on the East Coast.

They write that the past few years in Niger have been filled with a significant number of trials and struggles. Many are longstanding and some can be traced to serving under a national church structure. They feel strongly that the partnership model is appropriate and healthy but know the model is not without significant challenges bring disorganization and self-serving choices. **Let us pray that they will not become discouraged but be able to renew their minds and hearts before returning to those challenges.**

The Beebouts are thankful that God has been showing them precious truths through several avenues, including a woman's Bible study for Susan and a prayer partner for Jeremy, and several books, to name a few. **They thank us for our prayers and support that allow the vital work in Niger to continue.** To receive their Email to your inbox and learn more of their mission, please visit <https://www.rca.org/global-mission/missionaries/jeremy-susan-beebout/>.