

Never stop praying, especially for others.

Always pray by the power of the Spirit.

Stay alert and keep praying for God's people.

Ephesians 6:18 CEV

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS...

- **Genny Elliott's** mom recently fell out of her wheelchair, complicating the fact she is 88-year-old, very frail and suffering from severe pain because of cancer. (8/14)
- We continue to pray for families who struggle so hard with difficult decisions, and need God's wisdom and guidance. (8/14)
- We seek God's comforting peace and healing power for these families who are grieving:
 - **Kelly Layton's** oldest sister **Kate** passed away on August 7 from kidney failure. (8/9)
 - **Denise Wright's** mother-in-law, **Shirley DeNose** passed away Monday, August 7. (8/8)
 - **Kyleigh's** cousin passed away last week. (8/7)
- Please pray for an outpouring of God's mercy and guiding grace in the struggle to heal from **cancer**:
 - **Maria MacPhail**
 - **Brian Mattiske**
 - **Bruce Conwall**, the pastor of CRC in Colonie, now in hospice care.
- **NORTHEAST INDIA.** **Pastor Steward** rejoices that we are in Christ no matter if life has landed in suffering. He writes to remind us that Hebrews 12 encourages us to FIX our eyes on Jesus. He reports that **Christians are facing increasing hostility from Hindutva nationalism.** It came close recently when some (including a 3-year-old child) were jailed and one of Steward's colleagues, Biman, had his life seriously threatened. At the same time, Biman and others report that **people continue to come to Christ** and asks that these new believers be lifted up in prayer. Miracles are reported too with healings especially helping to break people out of Hinduism.
So, Steward seeks **continued prayer for their ministry** in villages, the village school, and at the Bible Training Center; and for Manipur because many believers are suffering in relief camps. Flooding continues in Assam where Steward is and several of his colleagues and students are sick and in need of prayer.

Finally, let's pray **for Steward's family's health and that his daughter, Somiwon**, would be admitted to a good university. Steward ends his letter with: *"May God bless all of ERC's families for prayer and financial support – which is a great blessing for the ministry here."* (8/10)

- **NIGER.** **Susan Beebout's** update: "We were planning to return to Niger in mid-August but, in light of the current instability and uncertainty about the kids' school (Sahel Academy), we have decided not to return to Niger for the time being. Please pray as we quickly seek to find housing in a school district that will be receptive to the kids... along with many other decisions to make in a short time.

Prayers shared by Judge Issaka Moussa (EERN Secretary): "Pray **[1]** the transition of government in Niger will be as short as possible and that any newly selected leaders would be chosen with wisdom and discernment; **[2]** peace and justice would be established and/or restored in many sectors; **[3]** the land would be delivered from violence and instability; **[4]** our churches would be faithful and prayerful and covered with God's protection; **[5]** through this situation many will come to the saving knowledge of Christ."

Susan also seeks prayer for their local supervisor Chako and the whole CADR team as they work through what this means for all parts of the ministry. She asks prayer for the necessary reconfiguring to be healthy and to better prepare the structure to bring glory to God and to advance His kingdom in Niger." (8/9 | edited for clarity)