2021 First Quarter

> January through March

Virlina District Church of the Brethren

PRAYER CALENDAR



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

(I Thessalonians 1:2-3 - NIV)

Here are suggestions for the prayers of your congregation during January – March 2021. Now more than ever, our prayers together are a source of spiritual strength and health. They increase our spiritual power, enhance the unity of the church and open us to the Spirit's guidance. We ask that you share these in such a way that every member of your congregation has access to them.

A DISTRICT PRAYER CALENDAR

January 3, 2021 -

Pray for *those who are suffering from the effects of COVID-19, those who grieve the loss of friends and family members during the pandemic, and those involved in the ongoing vaccination process.* Let us pray that the healing power of the Great Physician and the comforting power of the Holy Spirit be manifest in a powerful way.

January 10, 2021 -

Pray for the *Nominating and Personnel Committee* of District Conference as they anticipate their first meeting by video conference on Saturday, January 16, 2021. Let us pray for the guidance and aid of the Holy Spirit in discerning those called to leadership.

January 17, 2021 -

Pray for *W. Daniel "Danny" Gilley*, who completed ten years of pastoral service with the Smith River Church in Patrick County, Virginia on December 31, 2020 and continues his consecrated service. Let us support, encourage and pray for our pastors and ministers.

January 24, 2021 -

Pray for the *William R. Fisher*, a member of the Hopewell Church of the Brethren, as he anticipates relicensing to the Gospel Ministry. Let us pray that we will support, encourage and pray for those who undertake set-apart ministerial service.

January 31, 2021 -

Pray for *Fabiola Fernandez, Manager of Information Technology*, for the Ministry and Mission Board of the Church of the Brethren. Let us prayerfully uphold those who serve with and for us throughout our nation and the world.

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February 7, 2021 -

Pray for **Donna G. Hornsby**, who was appointed as Center Coordinator of the Christian Growth Institute on December 4, 2020. Let us honor the commitment and dedication of those who give themselves to the work of Christ and the church.

February 14, 2021 -

Pray for *Terri W. Luzinski*, a member of the Williamson Road Church in Roanoke, Virginia, who anticipates licensing to the Gospel Ministry this year. Let us give glory to God for the gifts of the Spirit bestowed upon the church.

February 21, 2021 -

Pray for *Loyce Borgmann*, Assistant Director for Client Relations for Brethren Foundation Funds in Elgin, Illinois. Let us give thanks to God for the commitment of those who serve unseen, but not unimportantly, in the work of the church.

February 28, 2021 -

Pray for *Dan Poole, Assistant Professor of Ministry Formation, at Bethany The- ological Seminary* in Richmond, Indiana. Let us listen to hear God's voice in the lessons which time and circumstance teach.

March 7, 2021 -

Pray for *Quest for Faith: A Self-Led Exploration of Faith for Youth* (Grades 10-12), to be held "in a box" on March 12-14, 2021 (or anytime afterwards). Let us pray that God will nurture the spiritual depth and stamina of our young people.

March 14, 2021 -

Pray for the *Virlina District Board* assembling for the winter meeting on March 20, 2021. Let us pray that the Spirit of God will grant discernment, guide every decision and empower every undertaking.

March 21, 2021 -

Pray for the participants and leadership of *Pilgrimage XXIV: A FaithQuest for Adults*, a spiritual development retreat of the Virlina District, to be held (hopefully) on March 26-28, 2021. Let us pray that those who participate gain a deeper spirituality and greater commitment.

March 28, 2021 -

Pray for the *Living Faith Church of the Brethren* in Concord, North Carolina as they prepare to celebrate *twenty-five years* of ministry and mission this year. Let us pray that God would enable us to minister creatively in every place and situation.