

# PrayerList for the Unity Women's Desk

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May 2016

Give thanks and praise that our prayers are indeed answered! After last month's PrayerList was distributed, I received this email from Sr. Jill Kolodziej: "Thank you so much for putting in the prayer request for someone to serve in Tanzania. I received a call from someone today who is interested." Give thanks for this prayer that was answered and pray for the one willing to go and serve in Tanzania.

Pray for those who are preparing to go as delegates to our Unity Synod to be held in Jamiace in August of this year.

Pray for those who are attending Provincial and District Synods this year. May their work at these synods enable our churches to grow in numbers and in faithful service. \*

Pray for our girls and women who are attending school on UWD scholarships. Girls and women in America, Tanzania, Sierra Leone, Star Mountain (Palestine), Jamaica, Uganda, South Africa, Zambia, India, and Nepal are studying with the help of these scholarships. The scholarships are helping girls and women in primary, secondary, university, and seminary studies. Pray for others who are awaiting scholarship assistance.

Pray for sisters who have heard the call of the Lord to work in the ordained ministry. Pray that they may find the resources necessary to study for this work. Pray that congregations will be accepting of their gifts and talents in their churches and allow them to fulfill the call the Lord has given them.

Pray for those who are victims of violence against women and children. Pray that more resources may be found to open shelters for those trying to escape such violence.

Pray for Sr. Deborah Appler as she continues to edit a resource being developed in coordination with the UWD to help our pastors deal more effectively with abuse among church members.

Pray for those who are starting new businesses with help from the Leinbach Loan Fund. Pray that they may be successful so that others may find employment and access to daily necessities.

Pray for the Suriname Province as they mourn the loss of their dear Bishop Theodorus Alexander Darnoud at the age of ninety-five years. May they find comfort in the Lord.

Pray for those who are ministering to the needs of the poor and hungry. May all come to enjoy the abundance given to us in God's creation and be willing to share what we have with others.

Pray for the Lutheran-Moravian Church in Albania as they minister to the needs of the poor of Bathore, outside the capital of Tirana. Pray for the "Family to Family Program" in which forty-plus families of a church in the United States are providing funding to feed forty families in Bathore. Pray for the programs for women being started to teach the women to read and write and also to learn to sew in order that they might have skills to earn a living on their own in the years to come.

Pray for the sisters of the Southern Province in America as many of them gather the last weekend of April until May 1 at Laurel Ridge Camp and Conference Center for a time of spiritual renewal under the leadership of Bishop Blair Couch. May their time together be a blessing to all.

Pray for Br. Graham Kerslake who has been elected the new president of the Moravian Church Foundation (MCF). The MCF was a major contributor to the UWD for the Fourth Unity Consultation. Their gift made it possible to bring so many of our African and Caribbean delegates to the Consultation. May Br. Kerslake be blessed as he takes over from Br. Johan Stam, who arranged the grant from the MCF for us.

Pray for the renewal of our churches as we celebrate Pentecost this month. May the Holy Spirit fill us with renewed strength to preach the Gospel and to love one another as Christ has asked us to do within His church.

Pray for parents who are raising children in a very difficult world. May they find ways to teach their children to seek justice for all people.

Give thanks and praise for the many volunteers who help with the work of the UWD: those who send out our PrayerLists each month, those who help with administrative tasks in the office, those who keep our financial records, those who assemble Birthing Kits, Layettes of Love, and reusable sanitary pads for girls (a new project to enable girls to stay in school), and many other tasks. Without their help, the UWD would not have sufficient funds to help so many girls and women.

Pray for the Advisory Board of the UWD. Now that the Unity Women's Consultation is over, they return to the regular tasks of granting scholarships, making loans for women to start businesses, and making grants for projects proposed by the women of the Moravian Church. Pray that the Lord will guide all their deliberations and help them to carry out the tasks given to them by the women of the Consultation. With the Lord's help, we can make a difference in the lives of women around the world as we seek to be "Our Sisters' Keepers."

Pray for our Provincial Coordinators as they seek to fulfill the tasks requested of them by those attending the Consultation. Pray for our Provincial Boards that they will be willing to take on the tasks being requested of them. Pray for the Unity Synod that they will pass the resolutions sent to them by the Consultation and that much will be accomplished for our women and the whole church through these actions.

Pray for yourself that you might seek ways to improve the lives of women and be willing to volunteer in your community to help your sisters—Please be "Your Sisters' Keepers!"

\* If someone from these Provinces and Districts will notify the UWD ([Unitywomen2011@gmail.com](mailto:Unitywomen2011@gmail.com)), we will list the synods by name in the monthly PrayerLists.

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