

PrayerList for the Unity Women's Desk

May 2015

Pray for mothers all over the world. The second Sunday in May is celebrated as “Mothers’ Day” in the USA. Hopefully, there are similar celebrations of mothers all over the world. Pray for strength, wisdom, compassion, and love for our Lord Jesus Christ and others that these mothers may pass on those same characteristics to their children. May their boy-children grow up to respect the women in their lives—their mothers, sisters, women in their communities, and their wives when they are grown. May their girl-children grow up to have the self-respect that they deserve as beloved daughters of God.

Pray for the people of Nepal who were affected by the recent catastrophic earthquake. Pray for the aid workers trying to rescue those who are trapped in the rubble. Pray for those whose loved ones did not survive the earthquake. We have been informed that our Moravian brothers and sisters in Nepal are all safe and that their church was not affected. Give thanks to the Lord for their safety! Pray that other nations will be generous in sending aid workers and financial assistance to rebuild Nepal.

Pray for the women of the National Executive Committee of South Africa as they begin visitations to their twelve districts. Their first meeting will be in District 7 over the weekend of May 1-3, 2015, where they will be meeting with both of their Unity Consultation delegates together with a workshop about the UWD for the District women. They will also have a special Mothers’ Day celebration on that Sunday leaving the women free to meet and visit with their families on the original day. They will focus on thematic issues according to the District reports: the rape and abuse of elderly women which continues in some of their districts, poverty levels which are escalating/increasing amongst the women, and child-headed households due to the impact of HIV and AIDS.

Pray for an end to the South Africa riots and the discrimination which has arisen against immigrants in their country. May the Lord give us all compassion for those who seek refuge in our countries from the injustices in their own lands.

Pray for the elections in the Caribbean Region, e.g. Guyana and Suriname. Pray that the campaigns may be peaceful and fair and that the outcome of the elections may bring forth critical and objective parliamentarians and governments which have the interest of the people in mind, leading the nations to peace, welfare, and prosperity.

Give thanks and praise for the sisters and brothers of Kernersville Moravian, Calvary Moravian in Winston-Salem, Palmer Township Moravian in Easton, Pennsylvania, and Home Moravian in Winston-Salem, who have gathered items and packed Birthing Kits and Layettes of Love, which will be sent to Honduras and Tanzania for new mothers and their newborn babies so that they may have clean and healthy births and a fresh new start in the lives of their babies.

Pray for our European sisters who will be gathering in Belfast in June 4-7 for their biennial European Women's Conference. May their time together bring a renewed unity to work together as sisters-in-Christ for the building of His kingdom.

Give thanks and praise for the ongoing efforts of the Lutheran-Moravian Church in Albania as they present seminars to inform their leadership and congregations about important aspects of the Christian faith. The latest seminar was held on April 24-25, led by Pastor Klas Lindberg. The main theme of the Seminar was **“Covenant with God”, “The Old and the New Covenant”, and the “Marriage Covenant”**. May the Lord continue to bless this growing church that was started by three women of faith with the Lord's leading.

Pray for the women around the world who are preparing to attend the 12th American Women's Conference in June. Pray that all may receive their visas so that they can attend. For additional information please go to their website: www.moravianwomensconference.org.

Pray for our Provincial Coordinators in each Province for the work they are doing with the women of their Provinces. We welcome two new Provincial Coordinators: Sr. Jolana Krasna of the Czech Province and Sr. Luz Yesenia Alvarez Reyes in the Honduras Province. May the Lord bless their work among the women of their Provinces.

Pray for the Advisory Board (Sr. Angelene Swart of the Africa Region, Sr. Sallie Greenfield of the America Region, Sr. Muriel Held of the Caribbean Region, and the Rev. Erdmute Frank of the Europe Region) as they continue making plans for the Fourth Unity Women's Consultation on February 18-25, 2016 in Paramaribo, Suriname. Plans are proceeding well, but prayers are needed that we may follow the Lord's will that good progress may be made in addressing the issues important to our women around the world.

Pray for the delegates, speakers, Bible study leaders, and observers who are preparing the Consultation. Pray for the Lord to prepare their hearts and open their minds to the possibilities for reaching out to all our Moravian sisters as we seek better lives for all.

If you would like to join the Prayer Chain to pray daily for the Fourth Unity Women's Consultation, please email us or call the UWD office at the locations listed below.

Pray for those who are rioting in Baltimore, Maryland, USA. May the peace of Christ change their anger and frustration into constructive ways to improve relationships between police and the communities they serve. May these heart-rending happenings serve to promote trust and justice for all people.

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