PrayerList for the Unity Women's Desk

June 2016

Pray for our sisters and brothers in Alaska Province. They are very grateful to have a new bishop, Br. Lincoln Enoch. Sr. Mary Gregory writes that they had "an early Kuakokwim breakup this year. The river is now free of ice. We had our first fresh goose soup last night. Yupik soups are like a stew with the cut up goose with rice and some vegetables. Yum-Yum." She also reminds us to "keep praying, it is the most powerful thing on earth" and sends us the greeting, "Piurra," and asks us to "keep on keeping on."

Pray for our sisters and brothers in Nicaragua where they also celebrated Mother's Day in May. Our sisters there had a UMMON District Assembly in their capital to elect a new District Board, and they will have a similar assembly in June in the Rio Coco District. They ask for prayers for these board members "because during the accompaniment, we have seen many spiritual weaknesses of our women. Let us pray that members of the board of directors [will] lead women in the work of God."

Pray for our sisters Alay Gonzalez and Tania Fonseca who will be ordained as pastors in the Cuba Mission Area in late August. Pray for the continuing ministry in the name of the Lord in Cuba and for these two very special sisters as they follow the Lord's calling in their lives.

Pray for other sisters who are discerning Christ's call to ordained ministry. May they find acceptance for their calls from their Provincial boards, the resources to pursue the education to fulfill their calls, and acceptance in the churches so that they may do the Lord's will.

Pray for sisters who do not have a safe place to call home and who need food to feed their hungry children. Pray that those who have the resources to help will reach out to these women to help them know the Lord's abundant grace for them.

Pray for sisters who are victims of domestic violence. May our churches find ways to serve these women with "safe houses," with counseling services, and with a renewed dedication to making it known that "Domestic Abuse Is Never Acceptable (DANA)" no matter what the culture of a country may say. Our Lord's admonition to love one another is always a priority.

Pray for the districts of the Northern Province in America. At the recent Western District Synod new district Board members were elected, including sisters Jane Gehler, Judy Anderson, Megan Smock, Nancy Chandler, and Cindy Fahney. Pray that synods around the world will elect capable sisters to lead in their Provinces. Pray for the Eastern District Synod which will meet June 22-25 to elect a new Board and deliberate and decide about District ministries and activities, and will also be electing the District Board.

Pray for the Unity Synod delegates who are preparing for the Unity Synod to be held in Montego Bay, Jamaica, August 12-20. The Unity Board (Provincial Board presidents from all Provinces) will meet Aug 10-11. Over 200 delegates from the 23 Provinces of our worldwide

Unity will participate in this gathering, which happens every 7 years. The meeting includes: reports from each Province, decisions about finances, ministries, programs and revisions to the Church Order of the Unitas Fratrum. Pray that the Unity Board and the Unity Synod will act favorably on the resolutions which were sent from the Unity Women's Consultation and the Unity Women's Desk.

Give thanks and praise for the wonderful ministry being done by Sr. Melania Mrema in the Southern Province of Tanzania with people who are living with HIV/AIDS. She writes that "God is on our side and answering our prayers. Thank you for the good message that God has answered our prayer. I have started the HIV campaigns. Yesterday we did and one hundred people came for a test. We will do the campaigns till September. Please keep praying for us." May God continue to bless this ministry and the humble servant who persists in this ministry which has helped so many in Tanzania. A video presentation about this work is available. Contact the UWD for assistance in procuring it for your use.

Pray for those who are suffering from chronic illnesses that can easily be treated, such as diabetes, malaria, and HIV/AIDS. Pray that we may find better ways of getting needed medications to those who need them so we can prevent unnecessary health crises and deaths.

Pray for the children of the world. Pray for those who are without living parents and must fend for themselves. Pray for those who are tempted each day by drugs and other activities which will not end well. Pray for parents to be wise and dedicated to the task of raising these precious children.

Pray for our sisters and brothers in Nepal as they continue to recover from the devastating earthquake of last year. Pray not only for the recovery of buildings and everyday life activities but also for peace of mind and the sure knowledge that the Lord is looking out for their welfare.

The Southern Province in America will hold a special program to report on the **Fourth Unity Women's Consultation** on June 26, 2016 at 3:30 PM at New Philadelphia Moravian Church in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. If you would like to have such a presentation in your area, please contact one of the delegates from your Province or contact the UWD and we will arrange for information to be sent to your delegates.

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