



The Presbytery of Western North Carolina

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TO: *Churches of the Presbytery of WNC*
FROM: *Bobbi White, General Presbyter*
DATE: *February 15, 2010*
SUBJECT: *Prayer Calendar for March and April*

Many of our churches include the following paragraphs in their bulletins and newsletters each week. This encourages their members to pray for these congregations on the designated Sundays.

* *Consider sending the churches a card telling them they were held up in prayer.* *

March 7th - Northminster (P.O. Box 5459, Hickory, NC 28603)

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Northminster Presbyterian Church in Hickory gives thanks as they celebrate ten years of ministry together with Rev. Dr. James F. Bernhardt. Together with DCE Chandler Guess, and music directors Nathan and Shari Crabtree, the congregation has begun a new ministry of congregational care, a prayer shawl ministry, and arts and innovation in worship. Please join us in prayer for the people of Haiti, especially those connected to St. Joseph's Home for Boys and Wings of Hope Orphanage and Hearts for Haiti; as new church secretary Carol Causby begins her work; for continued success for the Northminster Child Development Center; for the Session planning for the future and to retire building debt; and, as all together, we seek to deepen our trust in Jesus and to be more faithful disciples.

March 14th - Oak Forest (880 Sand Hill Road, Asheville, NC 28806)

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Give thanks for new members and pray they will be able to continue this momentum in reaching out to new people and doing ministry. We also give thanks for Bill and Melinda Christian, and pray for Bill's work in Pastoral Counseling in Black Mountain. During this time of transition, pray for the Session, for their future pastor and the interim who will serve them.

March 21st - Oakwood (3445 Deerbrook Road, Lenoir, NC 28645)

No information available.

March 28th - Old Fort (P.O. Box 70, Old Fort, NC 28762)

Give thanks for the faithful members of the church. Pray for the sharing of their church with the Pharr's Chapel AME Zion Church, which has proven to be a delight. Pray for the Session and the pastor, Drayton Cooper, for his ministry and health.

April 4th - Olney (251 Olney Church Road, Gastonia, NC 28056)

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Olney requests: 1) That in everything we do, we lift up Christ, as he draws all to himself (John 12:32); 2) That, in unity of the body, we persist in love until the complete comes (I Cor. 13:10); 3) For a grace-filled, fully-submitted presentation of ourselves to God and the work he is already doing here (Mal. 3:10-12; Rom. 12:1-2); 4) That, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we go as good and faithful servants (Acts 1:8; Matt. 28:19-20). Remember Mike Sears, pastor.

April 11th - Paint Gap (P.O. Box 1361, Burnsville, NC 28714)

Praise God for our faithful twelve and join us in praying for more members. We are small, but blessed. Please pray for the Spring thaw, as we have been interrupted too many times this winter. Uphold our pastor, Rev. John David Stewart, who has recently undergone prostate cancer treatment.

April 18th - Pine Street (1019 East Pine Street, Lincolnton, NC 28092)

No information available.

April 25th - Pineola (P.O. Box 550, Pineola, NC 28662)

Please pray for new beginnings at our church as we embark on a new phase of church life with our new pastor. Pray for our Session as we try to follow God's leading with our every decision. Join us in praying for our new minister, Keith Freeman, and his pastoral leadership with us.

MISSION PRAYER CALENDAR: *Even as we pray each week for specific churches in our Presbytery, we can also remember our missionaries and mission activities as a reminder that our family extends into all the world.*

