

Joyful in Hope – 66 – June 4, 2020
(thoughts and ideas to encourage and challenge)

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”
Romans 12:12

Thanks to everyone who joined us for Heritage Prays last evening. We had representation from as far west as California and as far north as the U.P. I appreciate everyone's patience as I was trying to get the Zoom invitation posted. Oops!

Here is the prayer list we built. I hope you'll use it this week to guide you in your daily prayers.

Thanksgiving that the curve is flattening. Pray for wisdom and caution as we reopen.

Gary Welch is improving but still has a way to go. Dorothy needs prayers for strength to keep up with his care.

Tim Brimer is meeting with doctors at U of M Hospital to discuss potential neck surgery. He also asked for prayers for his mental state. He has experienced a lot of confusion since his last surgery.

Kim Morgan is awaiting test results to determine the exact location and size of her spinal fluid leak. She's experiencing considerable pressure in her head.

Bill Powers is doing pretty well. He says he misses everyone and appreciates the prayers.

Lisa Bartlett is able to manage going to work on her own now, including getting to, and in and out of the car.

Maralee reports that the father of her former co-worker, Anne, is really struggling. She also reports that her friend, Lorna, is still in the hospital, but stable.

Janet Smith is doing well, but still really misses Don.

Lura Pugleise is doing pretty well. The facility where she lives has been able to keep covid-19 patients well isolated.

Ward reports that the Clawson Manor has done a good job combatting the virus with extensive safety measures. There are a number of people who still can't go out even though restrictions have been lifted.

Michelle asks for prayers for her co-worker, Tina, and her husband who is experiencing chest pain.

Chase Brazle's covid-19 test came back negative.

Dean Oliver, who was known by many at Heritage, died this past week. Remember his family in your prayers.

Mel and Diane are headed back to Michigan on Saturday. They are flying so pray that they stay safe and healthy. It will be great to have them back.

Thanks to Lizzie, Kelly and Janine for working so hard on the Heritage Community Garden. We are doing a Butterfly Garden this year, and if anyone would like to help donate funds for the purchase of plants, please contact Kelly or Janine. If you would like to get on the watering schedule, see Pete (There are only six days during the week that are still available).

Please continue to pray for Lisa Kimmel's cousin, Steve Sitter, and Steve's family. A lot of changes in his life which are unsettling.

Finally, pray for our nation, during this time of soul searching. May it be a time of conviction and change. May we do our part and see everyone through God's eyes.

Psalm 85:10-13

*¹⁰ Love and faithfulness meet together;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.*

*¹¹ Faithfulness springs forth from the earth,
and righteousness looks down from heaven.*

*¹² The Lord will indeed give what is good,
and our land will yield its harvest.*

*¹³ Righteousness goes before him
and prepares the way for his steps.*