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Dear Prayer Partners,



If you're wondering if a prayer letter was sent out in March, you no longer have to wonder. We did not send out a prayer letter in March. Because we got back from tour well into March, I decided to just wait and write an April prayer letter. So I apologize if you were wondering where the March prayer letter was. It has astounded me how much time has flown by and that we are into the last month of college.

Tour:

I just want to give you an account of how spring tour went. It is truly amazing how God worked in and through tour. For the tour leaders (myself being one of them), tour was extremely stressful right up until the moment we drove off of campus to begin the tour. However, somehow everything got done and all of a sudden we were on the road. And for the first time, we could relax and enjoy the tour and the fruit of our efforts. The first team that went out did performances in Caroline, Wetaskiwin, Entwistle, Grande Prairie, Brooks, and Red Deer. The second team went to Edmonton, Camrose, Kinsella, and Rocky Mountain House in Alberta; as well as Rosetown, Saskatoon, and Kuroki in Saskatchewan. We were not able to completely fill up the itinerary on either team, but it made the tour a little more relaxing and we truly believe God had us at the places He wanted us to minister at. To give you an idea of the results of the tour, there were a combined approximately 57 first time decisions for Christ and 43 recommitments. And who knows how many other seeds may have been planted that we do not even know about. Thank you for your prayers; tour was great for everyone and we really saw God's hand at work.

LYFE:

Spring youth retreat is fast approaching. For those of you who don't know, youth retreat is happening on the weekend of April 9-11. The speaker for the weekend is James Mansell, who lives on Vancouver Island and is the Student Ministries Pastor at Living Hope Christian Fellowship church. To give you an idea of who James Mansell is, he loves coffee, contradictions, philosophy, skateboarding, snowboarding, Chihuahuas, playing with puppets, new shoes, his wife Sonya, boys Izi and Eli, beat poetry, Bob Dylan, Hebrew, and anything to do with the Bible. He has been working with youth for many years and gets really excited when they discover cool stuff about God and learn to love Him more. A group from Red Deer is coming to do worship for the weekend; as well there are many other events, dramas, workshops, games, etc. planned. The theme of this youth retreat is HEROES. We would really appreciate your prayers for this youth retreat. It seems every year that we are behind and wondering how we will pull it off. God is always faithful to come through though if we are seeking Him. Please keep our students in your prayers as they diligently work to get everything ready for the weekend. Also pray for the staff leaders- Sean Gurnsey, Chuck Gasper, and Glenn

Stone. Pray for wisdom for them, as well as rest. You can also pray for the speaker and worship band coming out. And last but not least, pray for the youth...that God would bring the youth out who need to be here and that already He would be preparing their hearts for an encounter with Him.

College Finances:

Finances are an ongoing prayer request at Living Faith. We thank you for all your prayers and support, and we continue to trust God and His will for this place. If you want any more details regarding our financial situation, we just mailed out a letter to everyone on our mailing list that outlines our current financial state. Please take time to read this over.

Interns:

We currently have five students that will have completed their third year come May. As grad is fast approaching, I just want to give you an idea of what these students are doing and where they are going so you can keep them in your prayers. The third years this year have been given the option of either doing their internship after this year to complete their four year program, or if they choose they can come back for a fourth year of schooling and then complete an internship. We have given them this option as the college is in the middle of transitioning from a three year program plus internship to a four year program plus internship.

Matthew Rowley- Matthew is completing his third year. He has decided to come back for a fourth year of schooling before doing an internship.

Rebecca Chandran- Because Becky came from Into His Harvest in Regina and did an internship already there; she is not required to do an internship with us. She will be leaving here upon the completion of her third year.

Ashlie VanLeyenhorst- Ashlie actually completed her third year in December (after first semester). She has already begun her internship at Joe's Place, a youth drop-in centre in Moose Jaw, SK. She will be coming the end of April to graduate with the rest of the students.

Chris Love- Upon completion of his third year, Chris is returning to his home in Ontario and will complete his internship there. He will be interning starting this summer as youth/young adults' leader at his home church (The Sanctuary).

Danae Rude- Upon completion of her third year in May, Danae will also be doing her internship. She has already done some of her internship last summer at Camp Sagitawa in B.C. She will be completing her internship this summer at McMurray Gospel Assembly in Fort McMurray working in the children's ministry department.

Please keep these students in your prayers as they venture out into their internships and receive training and experience in ministry. And pray that the students as a whole would have a great last month of college. Pray that they would be bonded and united and would, amidst the business of exams and grad, be able to get the most out of this last month.

Sincerely,
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