

# The Chatter

## St. Bartholomew's Anglican Pro-Cathedral

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### Important Dates:

May 2 - National Day of Prayer; May 3 - Covered Dish Dinner, 6 PM Bible Study With Bishop Atwood; May 5 - Confirmation at 11:15 AM; May 11 - Men's Breakfast at 8 AM; May 18 - Lapp Family Benefit; May 27 Memorial Day; May 31 at 7 PM - BBC Concert

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*Heartfelt Thanks  
To ALL!*

Nancy Ward, (Fr. Ward's Mother) would like to thank everyone at St. Bartholomew's for their prayers and cards during and after her stay at the hospital following brain surgery and a heart procedure. Mrs. Ward is now recuperating at home and continues to improve every day.

*Thank you and God Bless You!*



Dear Friends and Clergy of St. Bartholomew's,

We want to thank everyone for all of the prayers, cards and visits during my surgery and recovery.

God Bless,

*Chuck and Elaine*

*Di Maria*

St. Bart's Web Information  
[www.stbartston.org](http://www.stbartston.org)  
also see our Facebook page  
for more!

Thanks go out to all who made our 25th anniversary celebration a wonderful and special one.

Thank you so much for sharing.

Love and Blessings to you all.

*Muriel and Gino Forte*



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# Global Missions Ministry

Our Mission is to equip and enable believers to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ by word and deed, both locally and abroad. Locally, Nationally and Internationally!



Your Global Missions Ministry met on Wednesday, April 17, at 6 PM. We are planning another Prayer Walk , A Blessing of the Pets, A Biker's Blessing, and a showing of the Mini-series "The Bible" in the near future on the BIG SCREEN. Stay tuned for more details and keep an eye on the Parish Life for dates and times of events.

The next meeting of the Global Missions Ministry will be Wednesday, May 15, at 6 PM. You are invited to come and join the discussion. **You do not have to be a missionary to attend!**

Our local Veteran's Hospital is hosting the Annual Veteran's Golden Age Games, May 29 through June 5, and needs additional help for this one week only. An estimated 800 veterans from all over the U.S. will be here to participate in this event in Buffalo, and the V.A. is seeking 1,200 volunteers to help make their experience a memorable one. Events include golf, horse-shoes, cycling, bowling, billiards, sled hockey as well as dominoes, checkers, shuffleboard, and even lessons on "twitter-ing!"



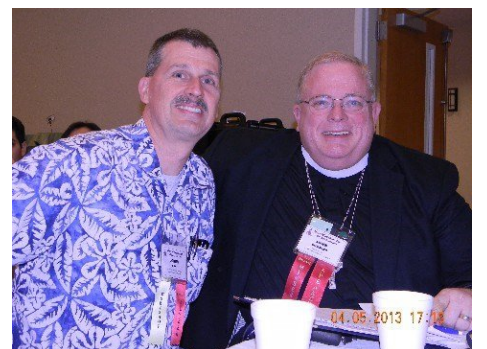
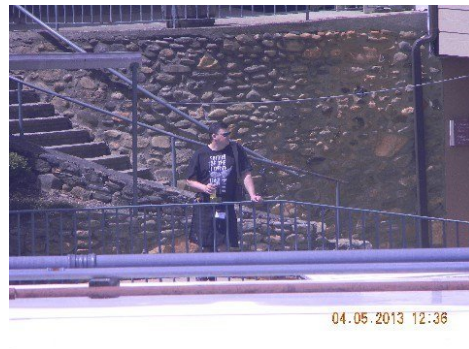
A complete schedule of events is posted here at St. Bart's in Fr. Amend Hall at the Visitor Center, along with a list of areas where volunteers are needed, such as clerical, escorts, medical, security, hospitality to name a few. Applications are available at the Visitor's Center. All accepted applicants will receive notification by mail as well as a hand-book of guidelines and your assignment.

As a V.A. Volunteer, and a grateful American, I ask that you consider giving even a few hours of your time, and to put your faith into action as we serve our Veterans. If you have any questions, please contact me at 832-6684. Thank you!

*Brenda Wisz*

To donate and support both Susan or the LeMarquands, send your check to SAMS (Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders) PO Box 399, Ambridge, PA 15003 (put their names in the MEMO line of check)

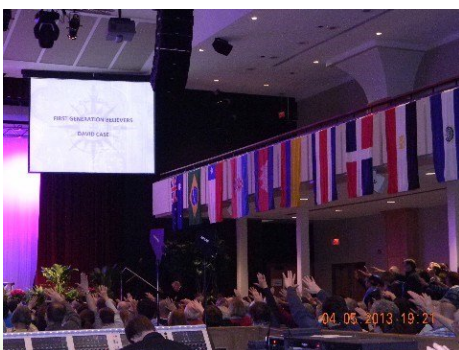
# New Wineskins 2013 Ridgecrest, NC



Canon Jack Lumanog, Scott Ulrich and Archbishop Duncan

“Oh Danny Boy...” Dan Tobin reflecting on the day in his kilts

New Wineskins Board member Fr. Loren Fox and Board President Fr. John Commins



Photos by Scott Ulrich

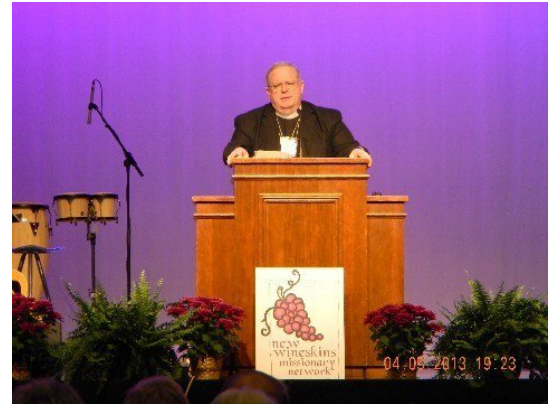
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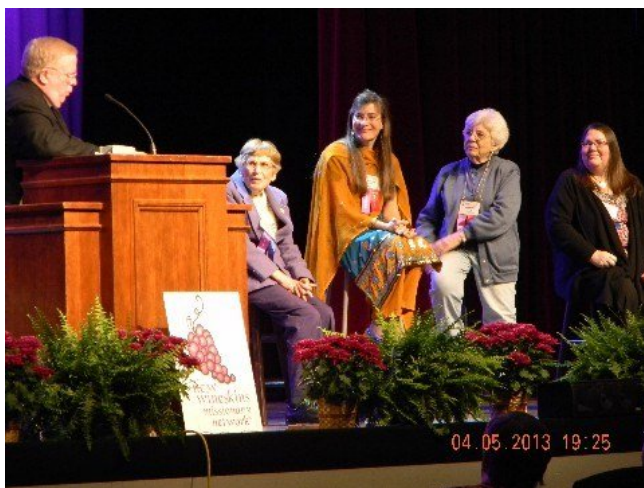
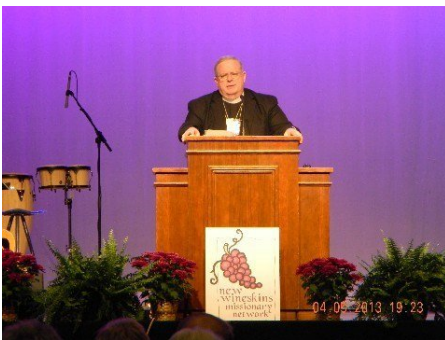
The Very Rev. Dr. Justyn Terry, Dean and President, Trinity School for Ministry.



The Rev. Mike Flynn, author and director of Fresh Wind Ministries, speaking during one of the workshops. Fr. Mike is an outstanding and dynamic speaker who writes and teaches about Inner Healing.



Fr. Commins, in his role as Emcee, giving the announcements and addressing the conference about the three ministries who will benefit from the offering, the Dinka Bible Translating in the Sudan, the Christian Bookstore on Straight Street, Damascus, Syria, and New Wineskins Missionary Network.



Fr. Commins honoring and thanking New Wineskins Founder — Louise Hannum, Director Sharon Steinmiller, Board Member and Staff Member — Barbara Costa, and Conference Coordinator Karen Strachovsky for all of their hard work!



St. Bart's Team about to drive 13 1/2 hours home: Cathy Reitz, Molly and Damian Sammarco, Scott Ulrich, Diane Moyer, Dan Tobin, Pam Machelor, Karen Wheaton, Fr. Commins, Marilyn Commins, Theresa Commins Arway and Kalene Payne.

# Youth Group Mission Trip to Jersey Shore

April 1-6 St. Bart's Youth Group traveled to the Jersey Shore to help the cleanup from Hurricane Sandy.

As you can see they are equipped with Hazmat suits to protect them from asbestos, and airborne particles.

They blessed many by working on some of the homes in the pictures.



# Youth Group Mission Trip to Jersey Shore



# PPC Corner



prayer  
for the  
persecuted  
church

## May PPC News

Our last meeting night before our summer break will be Monday, May 13 at 7pm. We are studying the book, "Singing in the Night" and we will watch part 4 the DVD, Underground Reality – Columbia. We will resume our meetings on September 9. Please plan to join us!

Please continue to pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world. For details on prisoners, etc., please go to the Voice of the Martyrs website: [www.persecution.com](http://www.persecution.com)



ROSWELL PARK  
CANCER INSTITUTE



Hi, my name is Nathan Waley. I recently accepted the challenge to raise funds to support cancer research and patient care programs at Roswell Park Cancer Institute by Goin' Bald for Bucks. One out of two men and one in three women in America will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. Most of us know someone that has successfully battled cancer. Goin' Bald for Bucks is an easy way for individuals, community groups, organizations and schools to raise funds for cancer research and patient care programs at Roswell Park Cancer Institute and have a lot of fun in the process.

The money I raise will help researchers and physicians better understand the causes of cancer and discover new methods of prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

Please support me as generously as possible as I "go bald" on behalf of cancer patients on Friday, May 24. It is faster and easier than ever to support this great cause - you can make your donation online by clicking the link at the bottom of this message. If you would prefer, you can send your tax-deductible contribution to Goin' Bald for Bucks, PO Box 644, Buffalo, NY 14240-0644. (Remember to include my name in the memo field).

Thank you again for considering a donation and helping me to support Roswell Park's mission to understand, prevent and cure cancer. Follow **This Link** to visit my personal web page and help me in my efforts to support Roswell Park Alliance Foundation.

<http://baldforbucks2013.kintera.org/bfbn8thgr8799?faf=1&e=6733783191>

# Parish Family News

## Sunday School Ministry:

### Important Dates:

Pentecost is May 19 - the children will process in at the beginning of each service.

Last day of SSM Classes is June 9.

We only have about **5 more weeks** for Scripture Memory Verses! Be sure your child continues to memorize them each week.

This past lent, a challenge was presented to all the Sunday School classes to learn the entire Psalm 111. 3 of our remarkable students met the challenge, Autumn Bush, Jack Gradzewicz, and Isabel Gradzewicz. If you see them, tell them "Good Job"



## RIDE FOR ROSWELL

This year Deacon Reitz and his wife, Cathy will be taking part in "**The Ride For Roswell 2013**" on Saturday, June 22. This will be in honor of family and friends who have been touched by cancer. We have once again formed "**Team St. Bart's**" which is open to anyone to join us and ride. Spaces are filling up fast so please register ASAP. Once registered, please see Deacon Reitz. Let him know your shirt size so you can order a **Team St. Bart's T-Shirt**.



**Parents:** make plans for this year's **Vacation Bible School** which will take place Sunday, June 23, through Thursday, June 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. If you have any questions, please contact David Curtis.

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## Mark Your Calendars For Sunday May 5th!



**Holy Confirmation** of our 10 young people from Fr. Commins class and 13 adults from Fr. Ward's class will take place on **Sunday, May 5, during the 11:15 AM service**. Bishop Atwood will be arriving earlier in the week and teaching the parish about the Holy Spirit. Watch Parish Life for more details.

Immediately following the service, the classes will pose for the annual Confirmation portrait followed by a cake and punch reception.



# Parish Family News

## Birthdays In May

May 01 Susan Horvath  
 May 01 Sydney Lakeman  
 May 02 Jeffrey Calandra  
 May 02 Charlene Hodgson  
 May 02 Brian Wallace  
 May 03 Charles Abramo  
 May 03 Jack Gradzewicz  
 May 03 Diane Meacham  
 May 03 MaryAnn Smith  
 May 04 Andrew McHenry  
 May 04 Susan Uptegrove  
 May 06 Shannon Bradley  
 May 06 Monte Dolce  
 May 07 Joan Hindman  
 May 07 Alicia Matesic  
 May 08 Mark Bush  
 May 08 Jessica Candy  
 May 08 Jared Hill  
 May 08 Isabella Kepner  
 May 08 Jennifer Lukacz  
 May 09 Brandon Heacock  
 May 09 Robert Siegel  
 May 10 Lorrene Martino  
 May 11 Brian Bradley  
 May 11 Caroline Rudin  
 May 11 Scott Ulrich  
 May 12 Amy Giambanco  
 May 12 Kim Kinney  
 May 13 Dean Bailor  
 May 13 Anthony Oliveri  
 May 13 Danielle Wydro  
 May 14 Gretchen Beyer  
 May 15 James Winkler  
 May 16 Donald Gwizdowski  
 May 16 Julie VanLente  
 May 16 Jeffrey Westerman  
 May 17 Wayne Bush  
 May 17 Michael Giambanco  
 May 17 Anna Okiec  
 May 17 Vanessa Van Norman  
 May 17 Diane Walters  
 May 18 Nicole Veiders  
 May 19 Wayne Hubbard  
 May 19 Shaun Ryan  
 May 20 Marion Blake  
 May 20 Clifford Koerner  
 May 20 Victoria VanNorman  
 May 21 Harriet Black  
 May 21 Adrian Lilleck  
 May 21 Caiden Lilleck  
 May 22 Robert Brown  
 May 23 Victoria Martino  
 May 23 Bradley Smith  
 May 24 Christopher Calabrese  
 May 24 Michelle McCarthy  
 May 24 Beth Taylor  
 May 24 Kelsey Tylec  
 May 25 Betty Herrmann

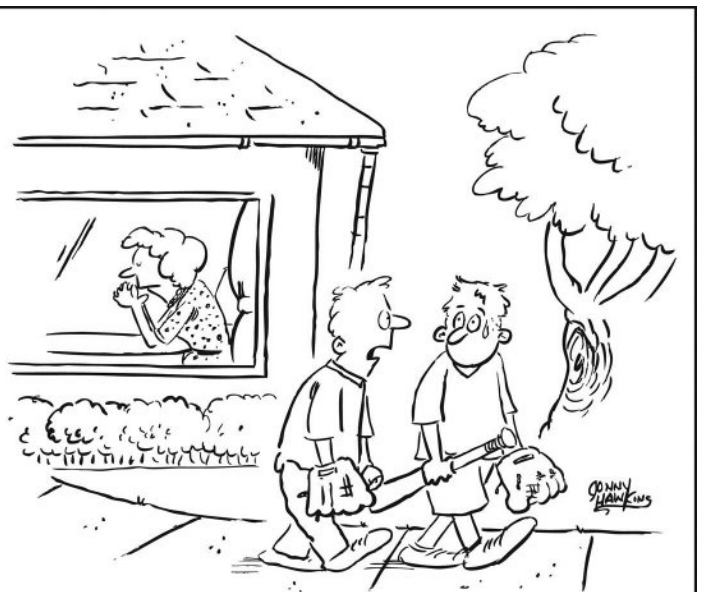
May 25 Angel Hoy  
 May 25 Benjamin Sawicki  
 May 25 Nicole Santora  
 May 26 Gerald Ciccarelli  
 May 26 Jenny Dedis  
 May 26 Christopher Hyzy  
 May 26 Daniel McCarthy  
 May 26 Denise Morley  
 May 26 Matthew Rudin  
 May 27 Edward Doran  
 May 27 Nicholas Muscarella  
 May 27 Barbara Weiser  
 May 28 Amy Colosanti  
 May 28 Jessica Sawicki  
 May 28 Joyce Wahl  
 May 29 Patricia Buckley  
 May 29 Siana Parks  
 May 29 Nicole Wydro  
 May 30 Richard Brock  
 May 30 Marie Prout  
 May 30 Annette Sciortino  
 May 30 Patricia Suchy  
 May 31 Christine Cross-Tedesco



Please keep those from our Parish Family who are serving our country in the Armed Forces.

- **Micah Gray - US Marines**
- **Tony Driskill - US Navy**
- **Jason Duffy**
- **Jason Driscoll**
- **Brandon Schessel**
- **Ian Paul**
- **Andrew Arway - US Army**
- **Andrew Welkley - US Air Force**

If you know of any others that we need to include in our prayers, please let the church office know.



"Mom talks to God about us so we'll be prayer conditioned."

# Triple the Love

Family and friends will be holding a Fundraiser Benefit for the Lapp Family at St. Bartholomew's on Saturday, May 18, from 1-4PM. PLUS - the BBC Band has committed to perform a benefit concert for the family on Friday Night, May 31 at 7 PM in St. Bart's Fr. Amend Hall. Tickets are now available at \$15, and will be sold at the May 18th Benefit as well as from St. Bart's Office.



Kevin was called home to be with the Lord on Monday, April 1 after a very long battle. The money raised from this benefit will go towards his astronomical medical bills and for his children. In order to make this benefit a success, we need families to donate baskets for the Chinese auction. There is a flower box in Fr. Amend Hall that has wonderful basket ideas. Please take a flower and maybe even consider joining with another family to make a basket. If you know of a business that could donate either a food item or an item to auction off, please let us know. We are also in need of volunteers to help with the planning and the days events. There is a sign up sheet next to the Flower Box. **Since tickets for both events are now available**, we need people to sell them to the family and friends. **Tickets can be purchased at the church office or after services.**

The family has been deeply touched by the outpouring of love and support received from their St. Bart's family and they thank you very much. If you have any questions, please contact the Lapp Family Benefit Committee: Kathleen Ward, Denise Simon, Lynn Farley, Deacon John Reitz, Karon Cavelleri, Tammy and Elijah Osmon, Molly Sammarco and Scott Ulrich.

# Bishop Scaife Guild News

# April Vestry News

Thanks to all those that attended the "Birthday Bash" on April 13th and brought all the delicious dishes. An especial thank you for the 12 delicious cakes and the decorated tables. The clown was a big hit with the children.

The February Soup sale profit was \$966.68. As of April 21 there were still a couple of seats left for the tour of Forest Lawn Cemetery on May 4. Sign up sheet is in the gift shop.

## Coming Events:

**June 6:** Spring Banquet at "Windows on the Green", Westwood Country Club, N. Forest Rd. and Sheridan Dr. Sign up sheet will be in the Fr. Amend Hall in May.

**October 4 & 5:** Kenmore Quilters Patch Show - BSG will have a baked goods sale and refreshments will be served.



**St. Bart's Nursery** is in need of responsible caregivers. We are looking for Nursery Helpers for the Summer Sunday 10:00 AM service and for this coming Fall. the sign-up sheet for the Summer 10 AM service is posted in the Nursery. Please consider volunteering your time to make this vital ministry available to our Parish Family and visitors. For additional information or to volunteer, please contact Michelle McCarthy at 836-2790.

As of March 24, 2013, \$673,556.70 has been received in actual donations or 91% of our goal of \$743,126 from 236 "Let Us Arise and Build" commitments.

"Campus Crusade for Christ", "Saving Grace Ministries", "Freedom Village" and "Buffalo City Mission" were sent checks of \$2500 each from Easter contributions.

Sinatra Co. that does our snow plowing will also be doing the lawn and ground care.

Holy Confirmation will be Sunday, May 5, at 11:15 AM. Cake and punch will be served at the reception immediately following. Bishop Atwood will preside over the Confirmation service and will be at a "National Day of Prayer Service" on May 2 at 7:00PM at Knox Presbyterian Church on Elmwood.



**46 bags of food** were taken to the Food Pantry in **April**. Thank you for your generosity!

The Food Pantry is in need of personal care items. Food items most needed are cereal, pancake mix, pancake syrup, peanut butter, jelly, tuna fish, small cans of soup, dry soup mixes and mac & cheese.

Please bring your items on the **FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH** so that our "Food Pantry Delivery Angels" only have to make one trip.

# May 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 8, 9:15 & 11:15am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 11:15 am Holy Confirmation	6 7pm Dance Class (last)	7 6:30pm Men's Discipleship 7pm Vestry	8 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6pm Last Jr. Choir No Sr. Choir	9 7pm National Day of Prayer Service at Knox Presbyterian Church	10 8am Men's Breakfast (last one until Fall) 4:30pm HE	11 8am Men's Breakfast (last one until Fall) 4:30pm HE
12 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS	13 7pm Persecuted Church Ministry	14 6:30pm Men's Discipleship	15 9:30am HE 6pm Global Missions meeting 6:30pm Sr. Youth 7pm Jr. Youth 7pm Last Sr. Choir	16 6pm Coverdish Dinner 7pm Friday Night Bible Study with the Bishop!	17 1-4pm Lapp Family Benefit 4:30pm HE	18 1-4pm Lapp Family Benefit 4:30pm HE
19 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 1pm Holy Baptism	20 Memorial Day Office closed	21 6:30pm Men's Discipleship (last)	22 9:30am HE 7pm "Refuel" at Willow Ridge school	23 6pm to 8:30pm Eileen Arnold Piano Recital	24 7pm BBC Concert at St. Bart's	25 4:30pm HE
26 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 1pm Holy Baptism	27	28	29 9:30am HE	30	31	

# MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>5</b> <b>INDIA</b> Pray for President Pranab Mukherjee.	<b>6</b> <b>INDONESIA</b> Pray for Christians who have been helped by VOMedical after a church bombing in Central Java.	<b>7</b> <b>INDONESIA</b> Pray that persecuted Christians will continue to show love and forgiveness toward their offenders.	<b>1</b> <b>INDIA</b> Pray for Pastor Mounesh, who was accused of forced conversions because he led a monthly prayer meeting.	<b>2</b> <b>INDIA</b> Pray for Christians in Karnataka state, a very dangerous area for Christians.	<b>3</b> <b>INDIA</b> Pray for Namrata, who remains dedicated to evangelism despite being severely burned by Hindu radicals.	<b>4</b> <b>INDIA</b> Pray that pastoral and discipleship training will be available for new believers.
<b>12</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray for imprisoned pastors Youcef Nadarkhani, Mehdi "Petros" Foroutan and Behnam Irani.	<b>13</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray for Iran, where more Muslims are converting to Christianity than in any other country.	<b>14</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray for VOM's continued outreach with Farsi study Bibles and other Christian materials.	<b>8</b> <b>INDONESIA</b> Pray for 17 churches that were closed in Aceh province after election of a hardline Islamic governor.	<b>9</b> <b>INDONESIA</b> Pray that courageous evangelists will reach out in creative ways to reach Muslims.	<b>10</b> <b>INDONESIA</b> VOM helps support 66 orphans whose parents were martyred. Pray for these children.	<b>11</b> <b>INDONESIA</b> Pray for President Susilo Bambang Yuhoyono.
<b>19</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray for VOM's delivery of Action Packs, Bibles, children's Bibles and other aid to Christians.	<b>20</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Up to two-thirds of Iraqi Christians have left the country. Pray for a nationwide revival.	<b>21</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray for Christian converts from Islam seeking to raise their children as Christians.	<b>15</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray for Christians in Tehran who are tracked by authorities that demand church membership lists.	<b>16</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray for the protection of Christian house churches that meet secretly for worship and study.	<b>17</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray that Christians who share the gospel at great personal risk will find many receptive hearts.	<b>18</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray for Supreme Leader Ali Hosaini-Khamenei and President Mahmud Ahmadinejad.
<b>26</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray for President Jalal Talabani.	<b>27</b> <b>JORDAN</b> Pray for Jordanian Christians, who are now facing more persecution from their families and the state.	<b>28</b> <b>JORDAN</b> Pray that doors will remain open in Jordan for continued outreach in the Middle East.	<b>22</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray that increased persecution will cultivate a strong Christian witness that draws many to Christ.	<b>23</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray for the perseverance of Christians in northern Iraq's Kurdish regions of Zakho, Dohuk and Erbil.	<b>24</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray for more pastoral and discipleship training as the Iraqi church grows.	<b>25</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray for 9-year-old Surush Bidokh, who was insulted and beaten because of his Christian faith.
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