

# Prayer Updates

# 40 days of community

# Part 1: Why We Need Each Other

Message by René Schlaepfer, Sept. 30 & Oct. 1, 2006

## HOSPITALIZED

Buck Harris – not feeling well at all  
Dan Cope – chemo, upcoming colon surgery  
Dennis Earley – cancer complicatioEu  
Harry Johnson – chronic liver condition  
Dick Manning – bilateral knee replacement  
Judy Powell – cancer complications  
Janice Sears – surgery, waiting for biopsy  
Trudi Jackson – asthma

Recent hospitalizations /surgeries: Janice Seals, Jessica Conners, Mary Botu, Phillip J. Walker, Robert Walters

## HOSPICE CARE

Dorothy Thrash

## 40 DAYS OF COMMUNITY prayer focus: READING OF THE DEVOTIONAL BOOK

Pray for each person’s commitment to read the devotional book daily for 40 days.  
...that the reading of the book will be a grace-filled turning point in the spiritual growth of each person.  
...that all readers will reflect on their church and community lives, and act on what the Holy Spirit reveals to them.

*“Whenever God determines to do a great work, He first sets His people to pray.”*  
– C.H. Spurgeon

## We want to provide pastoral support...

Please call 465-3395 when someone is hospitalized, scheduled for surgery, becomes a shut-in, or in special need. Prayer support is available through our pastors and numerous prayer groups — call 689-9400. Please pick up a Prayer Update at the Information Desk or Welcome Center.

*“Since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other, and each of us needs all the others.”*  
Romans 12:5b (NLT)

### 1. I NEED OTHERS TO \_\_\_\_\_ WITH ME

*“Let us not give up the habit of meeting together. . . Instead, let us encourage one another.”*  
Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

•Community is part of God’s answer to \_\_\_\_\_

*“As each part does its work, it helps the other parts grow, so Christ’s whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.”* Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)

### 2. I NEED OTHERS TO \_\_\_\_\_ WITH ME

*“God made us... to do good works, which He planned in advance for us to do.”* Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)

*“Two people are better than one, because they get more done by working together.”* Eccl. 4:9 (NCV)

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*“Every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the community of faith.”* Gal. 6:10 (Message)

### 3. I NEED OTHERS TO \_\_\_\_\_ FOR ME

*“Look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.”* Philippians 2:4 (NIV)

*“A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.”* Eccl. 4:12 (NIV)

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*“If one person falls, another can reach out and help. But people who are alone when they fall are in real trouble.”* Ecclesiastes 4:10 (NLT)

### 4. I NEED OTHERS TO \_\_\_\_\_ WITH ME

*“You should be like one big family, full of sympathy toward each other...”* 1 Peter 3:8 (LB)

*“If one part suffers, every part suffers with it.”* 1 Corinthians 12:26 (NIV)

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*“Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.”* Romans 12:15 (NIV)

### 5. I NEED OTHERS TO \_\_\_\_\_ WITH ME

*“Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”* John 13:35 (NLT)

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*“Stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel.”* Philippians 1:27 (NIV)

**DAILY MEDITATIONS:** During the 40 days of Community, we encourage you to use the short daily devotions in the book “Better Together”, available in the lobby.

**MEMORY VERSE:** “Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.” John 13:35

## 40 Days of Community Calendar

### September 30/October 1 – Week 1

Theme: *Why We Need Each Other*

Sign-ups for small groups!

Special Music: *Karen Stebbins*

Also: TLC Men’s Retreat

### October 7/8 – Week 2

Theme: *Reaching Out Together*

Sign-ups for Sharefest begin! We’re coordinating community projects for TLC small groups to tackle on “Make A Difference Day”, Oct. 21.

### October 14/15 – Week 3

Theme: *What Destroys Relationships And What Builds Them?*

Special Guest Interview: *Jamy Wheless*

A lead animator at George Lucas’ “Industrial Light and Magic”, Jamy animated Yoda in Star Wars II and III, plus characters in The Chronicles of Narnia, Pirates of the Caribbean, The Hulk, and many more. He’ll share the difference his small group at ILM has made in his life.

### October 21/22 – Week 4

Theme: *How We Help Each Other Grow*

Special Guest Interview: *Dick and Ivy Otto*, veteran missionaries to Uganda, will share about surviving military coups, Idi Amin’s regime, kidnapping attempts, and more, to finally see Uganda turn the tide on AIDS and political extremism.

Special Event: *ShareFest* as part of “Make A Difference Day”, Saturday Oct. 21; ShareFest celebration Sunday night 6 pm

### October 28/29 – Week 5

Theme: *Serving Together*

Special Guest Interview: *The TLC Peru Outreach Team*

Special Event: *Ministry Fair and Chili Cook-Off* after all services!

Plus! *Baby dedications* in all services!

### November 4/5 – Week 6

Theme: *Worshipping Together*

Special Event: Exciting worship service featuring the *TLC Choir*, guest musicians and singers, plus an intimate time of communion.

### November 11/12 – Celebration Weekend

Special Event: *TLC Community Art Fair!*

Enjoy art created by members of TLC displayed in church lobby!

Entry forms for art can be found at the Info Desk in the lobby.

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