

Weekly Prayer Requests

11/21/08

“Biblical greatness is not achieving results—it is seen best in unwavering faith. Our greatness will lie in believing in Jesus and following Him regardless of our circumstances. The presence of joy in our lives will be an unmistakable sign of biblical faith.”

“Faith is at its best when there seems to be no reason for faith.”

www.dioceseofkeewatinlepas.ca/homilies_yr_a/advent%203.pdf (accessed Nov 18, 2008).

INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS

Thousands Displaced after Quake

www.alertnet.org/thenews/newsdesk/JAK242413.htm

10,000 people have been displaced from their homes following a powerful 7.5 magnitude earthquake that rattled Indonesia's Sulawesi Island on Nov 17. At least 6 people were killed and 150 more injured. Pray that aid, food and water quickly reaches those who need it.

Violence Abounds, Girl Stoned to Death

www.cnn.com

Somalia is among the world's most brutal and impoverished countries. 1 in 4 children die before age 5 and violence is a daily occurrence. Recently, a 13-year-old girl was stoned to death in front of 1,000 spectators for “committing adultery,” when, in fact, she had been raped by 3 men.

China to Spend \$3 Billion on Water Projects

www.alertnet.org/thenews/newsdesk/T332221.htm

China has set aside \$3 billion for enhancing the safety of reservoirs, improving irrigation networks and supplying clean water in rural areas. The spending reflects their goals of cutting the economic divide between urban and rural areas, and solving basic issues like clean water access.

Two Christian Sisters Killed

www.persecution.com/topStory_twoSistersKilledInIraq.html

Iraq: On Nov 12 two sisters were killed and their mother wounded by Islamic extremists in Mosul. The gunmen shot one sister as she was waiting for a bus outside their home. They then stormed into the house, killed the other sister and injured the mother. A bomb placed by the assailants detonated as police arrived, injuring several officers.

Girl Released from Prison, Now Fears Safety

www.compassdirect.org

Iraq: Maria was 14 when she fatally stabbed her uncle in self-defense, after he attacked her and her family for converting to Christianity. Now 16, Maria has been released early from prison, but fears of retaliation from the extended family are growing. Pray for her safety.

Husband May Face Death in N. Korea

www.prisoneralert.com

China: Kim Kyung Il, a servant of Jesus who has disciples many refugees escaping from N. Korea, has been in prison since 2002. His wife fears that once he's released he will be deported to N. Korea where he would likely be executed.

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS

California Fires Force Evacuations

www.cnn.com/2008/US/11/17/california.fires/index.html

Fires in Southern California have destroyed more than 900 homes and 40,000 acres of land since Nov 13, forcing many to evacuate their homes. The fires, spanning from Santa Barbara to Anaheim, should be fully under control within the week. Pray for comfort and safety for those affected.

School Leader Facing Health Concerns

www.intercedenow.ca/prayerline.php#853

Jehovah Jireh School in the Philippines has had a very effective ministry to Muslim families since Bernardo Balayo started the school 42 years ago. Most children who attend the school become committed Christians. Recently, Balayo has been experiencing severe health problems. Please pray for his healing and continued leadership of the school.

Ephesians 3:17-19 (NIV)

“I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.”

LOCAL PRAYER REQUESTS

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