

Praying for Andrea April 12, 2021

"God will do this, for He is faithful to do what He says, and He has invited you into partnership with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." 1 Corinthians 1:9

Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you for committing to pray for me regularly. I will commit to you to update you regularly (every two weeks on Mondays). Though this is my first prayer update (forgive me for it being so long overdue), I am filled with gratitude for you and your prayers. Thank you!

Let me catch you up on where I have been...

- February 28th was my official last day at Wilmore Free Methodist Church as youth pastor. I do not have the words to express my thankfulness for the last 11.5 years in Wilmore.
- March 3rd, was filled with tears and laughter, and overwhelming joy as my beloved WFM church family sent me off in style. I was loved well and given the opportunity to say "see ya soon" to my church family.
- March 19-21, I led my last youth retreat at Eagle Ridge. It was a beautiful weekend. Jesus spoke through my dear friend, Pastor Dwight Winter and met the students in precious ways. This will be a highlight of 2021 for me.
- April 5, I officially moved out of my home in Wilmore.
- April 9-11, I was able to join the NSC Ladies Retreat in Murphy, NC. The time together worshipping the Lord, hearing the stories of faith from several ladies, and sharing part of my story and God's invitation to "Everyday yes" was a great joy.
- Today, April 12th, I arrived in Palmer Lake, CO to attend COMPASS, a 4 week intensive at Mission Training International. It is a beautiful campus situated at an elevation of about 7,250, which is about 2,300 feet higher than Medellin(4,905). I am hopeful my daily walking will ready me for walking in Medellin later this year.

Three ways to pray for me...

- Over this past weekend, I experienced a severe allergic reaction to both a bug bite and poison ivy. I'll spare you the photos, but by Sunday morning, I hardly looked like my driver's license photo. Thankfully, due to the quick help of a few dear friends (who also happen to be medical professionals) I was able to get a prescription that has greatly helped. Today, I walked through airport security no, problem! Pray that the remaining evidence of this reaction (bright red painful rash and swelling on the left side of my face and neck) would continue to heal.
- I am grateful for the opportunity to be here at MTI. It is an incredible program coupling both practical training for cross-cultural ministry with soul preparation for such a transition.. Please pray that I will be fully present, engaging in the teaching, learning and growing.
- The Lord continues to overwhelm me as He leads families, individuals, and churches to partner with me in prayer and financially. Join me in thanking God for His provision. Would you also pray, that even in these days of Covid, I will be able to visit churches later this spring and summer.

Thank you, dear friends for praying. Your prayers and words of encouragement over the last several months strengthen me as I walk this new road with Jesus.

Love, Andrea



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