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Deuteronomy 10:19

*READ:* Deuteronomy 10:14-19

The people of Le Chambon, France, risked everything to help save the lives of as many as five thousand individuals, many of them Jewish children, during the Nazi occupation. The refugees fleeing their homes were hidden in the community's homes and farms. The townspeople were inspired by pastor André Trocmé, who called on his congregation to help by referencing the words of Deuteronomy 10:19, "You are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt."

This command given to the Israelites comes in a passage that begins with the reminder that the whole earth belongs to God, who is "mighty and awesome" (v. 17). Yet God chose to love the Israelites (v. 15). He also cares for people in vulnerable or unfamiliar situations (v. 18), including foreigners who weren't part of the nation of Israel. As the Israelites settled in their new home, they were to imitate God's love and care for those needing help, especially because they knew the unique struggles of being a foreigner (v. 19).

If we've been at a job a long time or lived in the same home for several years, God may give us the opportunity to show kindness to someone who feels like a "foreigner," perhaps by providing helpful advice to a new coworker or assistance to a recently relocated family. When we do, we demonstrate God's love to those in unfamiliar, and often vulnerable, situations.

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*REFLECT:* When did someone show you kindness recently? How might you care for someone else?

*PRAY:* *Heavenly Father, please help me to extend Your love and care to others.*

## **PRAYER SUGGESTIONS:**

### **Prayer Notes**

- Give thanks to God for his daily mercy and grace to us. "Your mercies are new every morning; great is your faithfulness!" (Lamentations 3:23)
- Pray for those who are affected by the on-going immigrant crisis in the US. May justice be tempered with mercy, and may our leaders seek God's will and wisdom in decision-making concerning those who are new to our country.
- Pray for those who feel lonely or "different", especially someone who is new to our area or is starting a new job, asking God to reach out to them and ease their fears and to bring these people in our path for friendship and ministry.
- Ask God to bless our radio advertising and different outreach efforts so that people hear about us and visit and find the Spirit of God among us.

## CHURCH AT PRAYER

### Current Health Issues:

Joyce Anderson's daughter Cheryl & grand-daughter Kim  
Fred Augenstein & Family  
Jamie Bachman  
Linda Banks' mother & friend Loretta Martin  
Karen Bowser's great-grandson, Dok  
Clark & Jean Brillhart's friend, Shirley  
Doris Brown's daughter-in-law, Sandy  
Diane Cooper's friend Terry, nephew Travis and sister, Gay Gallagher  
Charlie Costello's great-granddaughter, Scarlett  
Dawn Durling  
Barbara Eisenbach's friends, Mike K. & Rev. Richard Adams  
Richard & Diane Grant's neighbors, Pat and Cindy B. & brother Lloyd  
Ray & Gayle Green's daughter Samantha, grandson Melvin, Kim & Sally  
George Hall  
Barbara Harding  
Mildred Hartman  
Susan Heitmeyer  
Renee Kay  
Ron Kelly  
Mary Keogh's friend Corrine  
Tom Killian  
Joan Kraftchak's neighbor, Chris  
Sharon Layman's friend Bill and sister, Robin DeRosa  
Juanita Leioatts, sister Shirley, & nephew Jeff  
Betty Letrick  
Lulu Llewellyn  
Doreen Lynch's brother, Richard, friends; Jessica, Judy, Chris, & neighbors, Linda & Al  
Marshall (Patsy) McCammack  
Cornelia Mills' neighbor, Carol P.  
Kathy Morrison  
Bobbi Mosley's nephew Sean  
Sharon Scheer, for the country  
Dan Sharrow & daughter, Courtney  
June Taylor's daughter, Cheri  
Norma (Al) Tebbs' friend, Esther  
Pete Tortorello  
Sue Treb's granddaughter Nix

Juanita & Bill Welsh  
Carol Wise and her son, Jimmy  
Julie Wylie, and grandson, Austin

### Persistent/Chronic Illness:

Pam Carter  
Pat (John) Carroll  
Stan (Helga) LaVoque

### Homebound/Care facilities:

Ray Bratberg  
Mary Lou Morse

### Grieving:

Family & friends of George Hall, upon his death  
(10/26/25)



### Team Members:

Joyce Anderson, Clark Brillhart, Jane Capo, Pat Carroll, Sally Clark, Barbara Eisenbach, Cornelia Mills, (Rev. Jeff Wood)

### Pray with us: Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m.

To request prayer, contact the office or speak to a team member.

### Prayer Teaching:

4th Tuesday of the Month at 9:30 a.m.