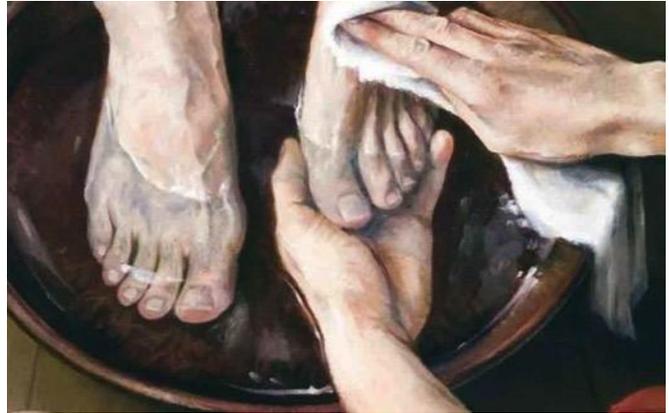


## Prayer Requests – April 9, 2018 - CNH Mission Agency

### “Wash all of me”

Dear mission friends,

In my preparation for leading worship on Maundy Thursday, it occurred to me that Peter’s refusal to allow Jesus to wash his feet opens a key issue for those of us who desire to join him in his mission. “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.” That statement must have hit Peter like a punch to the gut. I wonder if he remembered the words Jesus had spoken prior to this when he was rebuked. “Get behind me, Satan.”



Here’s what struck me. Unless we are able to be receivers of underserved favor and goodness, we will render ourselves incapable of being part of Christ’s mission to the world. Only when we receive God’s favor will we be persistent givers of grace. Come, Holy Spirit! With man this is impossible, but praise be to Christ who has won the victory. All things are possible with God.



Have you got a gang of stubborn and underserving people with whom you regularly interact? Has God not given you as ripe a harvest field as you would desire? *Dear Lord, wash not only my feet, but my head and hands as well! (Today, tomorrow, and in an ongoing way that I might always be in wonderment of that which is undeserved that has come to me again!)*

Many blessings!

Mike Lange

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*Our mission prayer newsletter rotates through prayers for each of our CNH over-seas missionaries as well as a prayer for staff CNH leaders in the first section. We share 5-7 prayer requests monthly from the CNH mission field in each newsletter. (Archives on website).*

1. We praise God for the many years of service that Joel Koerschen has rendered in Lutheran Schools Education ministry in our District. Joel was honored on March 23 at Our Savior in Livermore along with his wife Carolyn. His daughter, Claire, also attended. Praise God with us for his years of fruitful service.

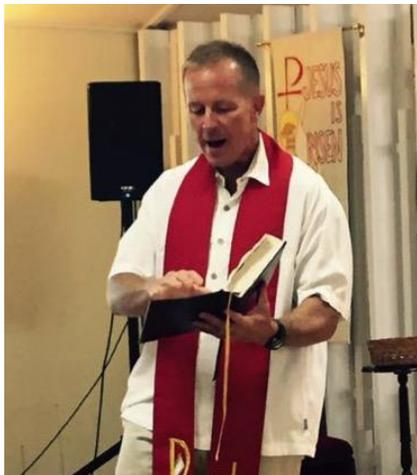


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2. Ask that God would protect and bless the ministry of Valerie Stonebreaker who is an LCMS career missionary in Togo. She is an educational missionary from Good Shepherd in Turlock.

### CNH Regional Missions

1. Thank God for the funding of all the LWML mission projects from the last convention cycle and for guidance as our CNH LWML meet in convention April 27-29. Praise God for the faithful service of outgoing president, Lynette Campbell.
2. Ask that the Lord would bless the re-launching of ministry for the Hispanic Group in Richmond which began again to gather on Easter at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Richmond. We also ask that the Lord open doors for Moises Morales in his leadership.
3. Pray for the Kids Club ministries that have opened in our public schools, especially in the Bay Area. Ask that God would strengthen the leaders at St. Philip in Dublin who serve as an example of how our churches can positively partner in our local public schools.
4. Pray for strength, guidance, and wisdom for Messiah Lutheran Church, Ewa Beach, HI. This mission revitalization under the leadership of bi-vocational pastor, Dan Truesdell (also a naval officer), has blossomed in its neighborhood ministry. On Easter Sunday, 103 people attended worship. We praise God for the bonds forged with the families who attend the preschool on site.
5. Pray for open doors for 2<sup>nd</sup> generation Asian ministry in the Berryessa neighborhood of San Jose. Thank God for the open-hearted attitude of the members at Christ the Life in San Jose. Ask that the Lord would open doors for an appropriate leader to be placed.
6. Ask that God would provide the workers that he has in mind for several congregations that are seeking mission-minded leaders in the person of their next pastor, hoping for an appropriate placement from the seminary or a call from the field. Praise God with us for the gift of leaders we have received over the past triennium.
7. Pray for Addis Kidan as they actively pursue English language ministry in and to their North Mission District neighborhood at the former Bethel campus. Ask that God would open doors once again for Amharic ministry (Ethiopian) in Berkeley or North Oakland.



### **Featured Mission Prayer**

*(Please share this prayer with your pastor and/or include in your regular church prayers. You are welcome to include it in your Sunday bulletin or monthly church newsletter.)*

**Ask that God would lead the people of Waikoloa Lutheran in Waikoloa as they spend 3-4 days envisioning their future and what is needed in a future missionary pastor under the guidance of LCEF Vision Path representative, Keith Kohlmeier. Praise God for Kaleidoscope grant funding that has made this possible and partnership with various groups around our District and Synod.**