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November 2024 Prayer Letter

Dear Ignite Prayer and Fasting Partners,

I want to thank you for praying for Ignite and our ministry of starting churches across Chicagoland and beyond. In a recent Ignite newsletter, we shared about people taking the step of being baptized into Jesus in some of our new churches. Some of these baptisms took place in Pakistan, through the ministry of Kheimh Molaghat CC, led by James and Joy Shahabi. While James was in Pakistan to work with those being baptized, Thomas, one of the pastors, was kidnapped by Muslim extremists. We began praying for Thomas and Edris (a helper of his) to be safely released. I received word two weeks ago, that both men have come home safely. This was another reminder of the important part prayer plays in the lives of believers. We pray believing God not only listens, but responds to the cries of his people. Thank you for your prayers.

Here are some of the things I'd like to ask you to pray for during November:

1. **International Conference on Missions:** This annual gathering of missionaries and mission organizations will take place in Lexington, KY on Nov. 14 - 16. I plan on attending this conference and I ask you to pray for God to connect me with potential planters and partners for Ignite.
2. **Exponential Conference in Chicago:** November 19 – 21, the Exponential Church Planting Conference will take place in Naperville. This conference provides a good opportunity to get our church planters together and to invite potential planters to learn about church planting. Please pray for Ignite as we will have several different people attending together.
3. **Transition of Robyn Moes:** We now have a plan in place for Robyn's impending retirement. I want to thank all of you for praying about this and am grateful to announce that God has answered our prayers! At our board meeting, it was determined that the job would be split into two part-time positions. We have hired a person for the financial piece of the job and are in talks with the person who will be doing the administrative assistant part of the job in 2025. Please be praying for Robyn as she trains people for these positions.
4. **New church in Shorewood:** We are partnering with The Village Christian Church in Minooka as they begin a new site in Shorewood, IL. This new campus opens on November 3 and we are excited to be helping. We partnered with the church to launch the Coal City site two years ago and this church is running 210 each week and is preparing to add 3,400 square feet to their worship space to increase to 400 weekly. We look forward to seeing what God does in Shorewood.
5. **Year-End Planning:** Please be praying as we will be listening and planning for church planting in 2025.

Thank you for praying for Ignite and our ministry of starting churches. I am grateful for your partnership, Lance