

## Prayer/Praise Brief Newsletter- January 2025

### Praise God for His Faithfulness in the Past!

- 1,955.1 miles walked as exercise regime and my time of prayers and memorization-meditation in 2024.
- Traveled over 75,000 miles as RHM in my first three years!
- By God's grace was able to accomplish my RHM vision and goals for 2024.
- Enjoyed study leave in December 2024 with study, planning, and prayers.

### Upcoming Opportunities for Regional Home Missionary Ministry in 2025

- 2 Exploratory Bible Studies in Virginia: Culpeper and Berryville.
- Working with Emmaus Presbyterian pastors, elders, and congregation on coming into the OPC.
- Visiting organized congregations of PMA for regional home missions ministry.
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- Gospel opportunities in discipleship and evangelism at Loudoun Classical and Cottage Schools.
- Serving on West Creek and Word of Life Sessions.

### Need of Prayers in 2025

- Growth in personal holiness.
- Maximal fruitfulness and maximal joy as a husband, father, minister, and RHM.
- Opportunities for Gospel witness and new friendships for church planting and discipleship.
- Wisdom in church planting, shepherding, counseling, and organizing.
- Faithfully praying and living out these seven 3-word prayers each day:



1. He sat down: I acknowledge that Jesus Christ is the Risen-Ascended-Enthroned Savior and Friend. May I serve Him wholeheartedly this day by the power of His Spirit.

2. I need Jesus: I am ever in need of His presence, fellowship, and grace, I will come to the Throne of Grace to receive abundance from Jesus.

3. Please forgive me: I am daily in need of forgiveness before God and others in my words, thoughts, and deeds.

Christ forgives us. Being quick to ask forgiveness and be forgiving with others.

4. I die daily: I die today, so that I can live the truly joyfully life in Christ that is always worth living.

5. Here am I: I am a servant of the Lord, of my family, of His church, of my friends and neighbors.

6. Pray for me: Christ lives to pray for us, and I am thankful to enter into His prayer time by the Holy Spirit to pray for others.

7. Come, Lord Jesus! I live for the day I will see Christ face to face, and I will hear the "Well done, good and faithful servant" by His goodness and grace.

**Praise the LORD for Pastor Will Sloan Installed as pastor at Providence OPC in Charlottesville, Virginia! Our God is faithful.**



The **Presbytery of the Mid Atlantic** met on Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm in Charlottesville, Virginia (directly across from historical Jefferson's 'Monticello') to install Will Sloan as our new pastor at Providence OPC. Pastor Will (along with his family, Lauren, Isabel, and Mary) have served faithfully at Good Shepherd OPC in Onley, Virginia (on the Eastern Shore) since last January 2024! Tom Martin served as Moderator, Chris Cashen as Clerk, and we heard an encouraging sermon from Gerry Malkus from Ephesians 4:11-16, and two charges from Acts 20 (to pastor and congregation) from RHM Charles Biggs and Jerry Taylor.



**Praise the LORD for West Creek OPC Celebrating One Year of Morning and Evening Worship in January 2025!**



**West Creek OPC** celebrated our one-year anniversary of morning and evening worship services in January. Our faithful God continues to bless this dear congregation with growth in grace and numbers. We await our church planter/organizing pastor, Devin Gaye (and his family, Megan, James, Sophie, and Emma) and hope for Spring as his ordination/installation date.