

Regional Home Missionary (PMA) Prayer and Praise: Winter 2026

Summary of Regional Home Missionary Prayer Requests

Thankful for our Risen-Ascended-Enthroned Savior's faithfulness and kindness to the Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic in church planting and evangelism (Acts 9:31). Please pray that God would provide five (5) faithful seed families to our **exploratory bible study in Berryville, VA.** / Pray for **Word of Life** in Columbia, MD, and church planter John Jee. Also, pray for **West Creek** in Short Pump, VA, and church planter Devin Gaye, as both congregations seek to grow in grace and numbers. We praise God for our faithful shepherd-church planters. Pray for God to raise up **godly officers** in both these works./ Pray for our **outreach efforts**, the **evangelism seminars**, and **mission conferences** at our congregations this year./ Pray that our God would grant open doors for gospel ministry./ Pray for much fruit from our church planting and evangelism efforts, particularly as I begin my 5th year as Regional Home Missionary./ Pray for **the unction and power of the Holy Spirit** in my prayers, preparation, practice, and preaching as I have the privilege of ministering God's Word and Sacrament in our organized congregations and mission works.



Prayers and Praise Opportunities in Presbytery of Mid Atlantic

Word of Life (Columbia, MD): Pray for church planter Pastor John Jee (Grace and Judah) as he continues to shepherd faithfully the flock. Praise God for visitors, and for some who will likely be taking New Members' Class soon. Praise God for the unbelievers the congregation is praying for and ministering to regularly. Pray for God to grow the congregation in grace and numbers. Pray for God to raise up elders. Pray for wisdom in challenging counseling situations. Pray that our God would bless our outreach opportunities. Pray that prayer would be the highest priority! Pray for provisional session: John Jee, Peter Lee, Bob Trombadore, and RHM Charles Biggs. See picture of recent worship service. www.wordoflifeopc.com

West Creek (Short Pump, VA/West Richmond, VA): Praise God for providing church planter Pastor Devin Gaye (Megan and Sophie, James, and Emma) installed and ordained last April 25, 2025. Pray as He continues to faithfully shepherd the flock, proclaim the gospel, and reach out to the lost in the community. Praise God for new members, young folks becoming communicant members, visitors, and growth in grace.

Pray that our God would continue to bless Pastor Devin and Elder John Waddill as they serve the congregation, and as they continue to reach out to neighbors and community. May West Creek be a faithful witness to the Gospel of glory and grace! Pray for wisdom in delicate and difficult counseling situations. Pray that prayer would be the highest priority! Pray for provisional session: Devin Gaye, John Waddill, Alex McNeil, Jeff Downs, Lacy Andrews, and RHM Charles Biggs. See picture of a recent worship service. www.westcreekopc.org



Emmaus Presbyterian Church (Leesburg, VA): Praise God for the excellent worship and fellowship that Emmaus has been enjoying, meeting presently at Bethel OPC in Leesburg, VA. Praise God for their first anniversary as Emmaus in December! Praise God for Pastors Kenneth and Emerson who are faithfully serving the congregation (and ministering to larger PMA congregations). Praise God for Emerson serving in new prison ministry. Pray for RHM, Home Missions, and Candidates and Credentials as we continue to

walk alongside and mentor this beloved congregation as it seeks to join the OPC. Pray for Kenneth and Emerson as they seek to complete their examinations. We are thankful for these dear brothers and this wonderful congregation of God's people! See picture of joint fellowship luncheon of Emmaus' One Year Anniversary with Bethel OPC, Leesburg, VA.

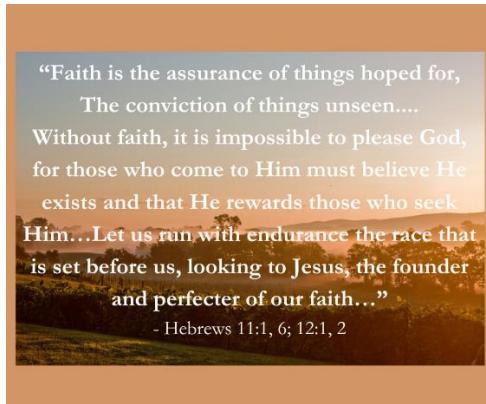


Trinity Reformed (Lanham, MD): The congregation and session of Trinity praise God for answering our prayers and bringing a new pastor to us in the Rev. Cornelius Johnson, who has served as Navy chaplain for over 25 years. Recently, Rev. Johnson was interviewed and received by the Presbytery of the Mid Atlantic to take up this new pastoral call in early Summer 2026. Pray for Cornelius and his wife Diedre as they make this move and transition. In God's good providence, Cornelius and Diedre have known and been a part of the Trinity Reformed family for about 30 years! Your RHM has been greatly blessed to serve as an

augment on the session as a pastor-minister with Pastor Chris Cashen, Elders Alex Caulderon, Jim Van Damm, and Dennis Maeder in the past year at Trinity Reformed. I have had the privilege of serving on the session, preaching, doing outreach and seminar, teaching, and being involved in a search for a new pastor (bittersweet because we love Pastor Chris so much!). Please pray that the congregation would continue to see visitors, would be unified and expectantly enthusiastic-zealous in Christ in this new chapter of the congregation.



Berryville Bible Study (Berryville, VA): We are seeking to make some changes to our ministry opportunities and exploratory bible study that we hope will result in greater attendance and participation in Spring 2026. Pray for wisdom and guidance as we consider together with Ketoctin Covenant OPC in Purcellville, Virginia, to implement these changes that we plan to announce soon. Our attendance has



been lower in the past few meetings, but we are continuing to pray, meet together, and to reach out with invitations to neighbors as God gives us opportunities. We remember that we live and serve Christ between promise and fulfillment, and this means we walk by faith, waiting patiently and expectantly for our faithful God to provide. Pray that we might grow with five (5) interested and enthusiastic Berryville (and surrounding area) families to form a faithful seed/core group and be able to begin worship services in 2026. We are completing our study on Ephesians soon and will begin our study on the '**Letter to the Hebrews**'. Join us if you're able!

Article: What does a Regional Home Missionary do? Sometimes I'm asked the question, "*What does a Regional Home Missionary do?*" Here are a few important things I am privileged to do as your Regional Home Missionary in the PMA:

PRAYING- Persistent and Expectant Prayer in union with Jesus Christ by His Spirit is most important! Praying for the Lord of the Harvest to raise up faithful laborers and organize seed/core groups to harvest with joy those whom God has called to Himself. (John 4:34-38). Praying for and with those meeting together to become flourishing, gospel-oriented, self-sustaining, self-governing, self-aware Orthodox Presbyterian confessional congregations who are part of a region of connected churches and a larger denomination (Matt. 7:7; John 14:12-14).

SERVING- I am first of all a privileged servant of Christ and His Church. To serve the OPC PMA CHMCE in carrying out the mission of the triune God, the OPC generally, and the PMA particularly. I'm grateful regularly to serve organized congregations and mission works within our presbytery. Our mission statement as RHM/Home Missions in the PMA is on card.



PROCLAIMING/PREACHING/EVANGELIZING- Gratefully preaching God's Gospel-Word to the saints and to the lost. I am privileged to edify and admonish the saints and call sinners to repentance and faith in Christ alone. Representing our OPC denomination and presbytery as an ordained Evangelist-Ambassador sent in the power of the Holy Spirit to plant churches, seek the lost, and to disciple/teach the saints (2 Cor. 5:14-21).

CONNECTING- Connecting with new folks who are seeking to be a new Orthodox Presbyterian congregation, thinking about joining the OPC, etc. What a glorious privilege to be an ambassador in this work.

TRAINING/TEACHING- Privileged to train and teach new qualified officers, teaching new mission works from the Bible. Defending the truth of Scripture against errors.

DISCIPLING/MENTORING- Privileged to come alongside young church planters to pray with them, mentor them, encourage them in their oftentimes challenging labors.

And more...but this is all we have room for today! Check out our updated [Joining the Harvest website!!](http://JOININGTHEHARVEST.ORG)



Home Missions in the OPC Presents A Church Planting and Evangelism Seminar

Featuring **Rev. Jeremiah Montgomery**
(General Secretary of OPC Home Missions)
and **Elder Dan Cooke** (All Saints OPC, PSE)

Saturday, April 11, 2026/ 9 am- 1 pm

Bethel OPC, Leesburg, VA

RSVP: www.joiningtheharvest.org

Our prayers and hopes for each of our PMA's church planting and evangelism seminars:

1. Exalt and gaze together upon the Risen-Ascended-Enthroned CHRIST together.
2. Grow in COMPASSION for the lost.
3. CONNECT with one another for edification and church planting.
4. COMMIT yourself afresh to the Great Commission.
5. CULTIVATE a culture of evangelism in your family and congregation.

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