

# INTERCESSORY PRAYER SHEET January 2011

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## LIFE REPORT:

Been a couple months—hopefully I'm not resorting to my old ways. ☺ The fall semester '10 ended well, very well, for which I give God great praise. All semester long I had such a clear sense of my need for God to help me navigate the different challenges that arose, and time and time again I saw him acting in clear ways. Thank you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and thank YOU, pray-ers, particularly for your prayer for 2:42 Lifegroups. The Behemoth 2:42 is going to give birth to a new work at the beginning of this spring semester, things continue to stir around the Ogden Lifegroup, and God has provided leadership and members in the Architecture Lifegroup in a very cool way. One specific blessing: Carol and Genny Walker and their kiddos, Lucy and Oliver, moved here in November and Carol started Ichthus work December 1. It has been really encouraging and a blessing already. Seriously. I am so grateful that God has answered our long-time prayer for someone to work alongside me/us in such a rich way. Anyway, there are things stirring and moving in Ichthus in a way that hasn't been happening in some time. More on that in a later, normal prayer sheet – but let's get to the specific focus of this prayer sheet, as I sit a couple hours away from leaving for the airport to go to Haiti!

## REQUESTS:

HAITI! January 4-14, Fond-des-Blancs, Haiti, to work with Jean and Joy Thomas of the Haiti Christian Development Fund ([www.hcdf.org](http://www.hcdf.org)). We're taking 22 Ichthus students, 6 leaders, and our 10-year-old daughter, Juliana, to serve in whatever ways we can. It's especially exciting that 12 of the 22 students are freshmen and sophomores, very exciting for the future of Ichthus. I'll list a few special needs, then include an itinerary and the trip participants for your information and to pray as you wish! Thank you for everything!

## Special Requests:

- **Powerful Impact there, for God to use us however he sees fit** – A funny truth about mission trips is that honestly they end up being more of a blessing and help for the team members; we go TO serve and end up being served and blessed. STILL—we are going to help, to work, to pray, to play with kids, and to be the concrete presence of Jesus in any way God will open up. Please pray for powerful impact and that God would use us to strengthen hearts in a country that has been so hard hit this past year.
- **Health** – You've probably heard of the terrible cholera epidemic in Haiti. Where we go in Haiti is actually quite safe as cholera is a water-borne disease, and the water supply in Fond-des-Blancs is pure. But still, foreign travel, especially in groups, always has the possibility of sickness.
- **Safety** – Haiti also has had a bit of unrest lately related to their elections. We actually weren't sure this trip was going to happen a couple weeks ago, but God has opened up a window for us. Please pray for safe flights and travel, especially for the brief times we are in Port-au-Prince (driving to FDB on January 5, and from FDB to the Port-au-Prince airport on January 13). Pray for God's peace in a country that is restless.
- **Lasting Impact here too** – for the Holy Spirit's life-changing presence in all facets of the trip, and especially that he would put together relationships and heart change that would carry on to Manhattan and Ichthus!

## Basic Itinerary:

Tue Jan 4: Fly to Fort Lauderdale in 3 different groups, spend night in Fort Lauderdale

Wed Jan 5: Fly to Port-au-Prince early (arrive 8:30am) in one big group, drive immediately to Fond-des-Blancs in two rented buses, get settled in

Thu Jan 6: Work day!

Fri Jan 7: Market in the morning, work in the afternoon

Sat Jan 8: Work day!

Sun Jan 9: Church in the morning, trip to the beach in the afternoon/evening

Mon Jan 10: Work day!

Tue Jan 11: Work day!

Wed Jan 12: Anniversary of the 2010 earthquake-- we're putting on a festival (like a carnival) for the kiddos in the area

Thu Jan 13: Drive to Port-au-Prince to catch our 5:30pm flight to Miami, spend night in Miami

Fri Jan 14: Fly home to KC -- arrive at 12:40pm!

WORK: We will be working on teachers' houses (they are building 4 of them to help attract quality teachers to the area)--sheetrocking, etc.; doing art classes at the school; and doing the festival on the 12th!

OTHER: Each day we'll have a devotion and time for sharing in the evening, plus whatever else God opens up.

**Trip Participants:**

| First     | Last         | Yr                |
|-----------|--------------|-------------------|
| Ariel     | Anib         | jr                |
| Blake     | Johns        | fr                |
| Brady     | Anderson     | so                |
| Carol     | Walker       | LDR               |
| Christie  | Coffman      | LDR               |
| Cody      | Kalivoda     | Sr                |
| Danielle  | Young        | Sr                |
| Erin      | White        | Jr                |
| Jake      | Douglas      | fr                |
| Jarah     | Cooper       | fr                |
| Jeanette  | Schwartz     | LDR               |
| John      | Schwartz     | LDR               |
| Juliana   | Schwartz     | 5 <sup>th</sup> ☺ |
| Kaylie    | Arnold       | Sr                |
| Kelli     | Amick        | Fr                |
| Kevin     | McElvain     | So                |
| Kirsten   | Crandall     | Sr                |
| Kristin   | McCormick    | So                |
| Laurel    | McElvain     | LDR               |
| Lyndi     | Stucky       | Fr                |
| Mary      | Gordon       | So                |
| Mary Beth | Gromer       | sr                |
| Matt      | Amick        | jr                |
| Megan     | Schneeberger | Fr                |
| Nate      | Bozarth      | Sr                |
| Nick      | Snodgrass    | Fr                |
| Paige     | Taylor       | Fr                |
| Robbie    | Lynn         | Jr                |
| Sean      | Richards     | LDR               |