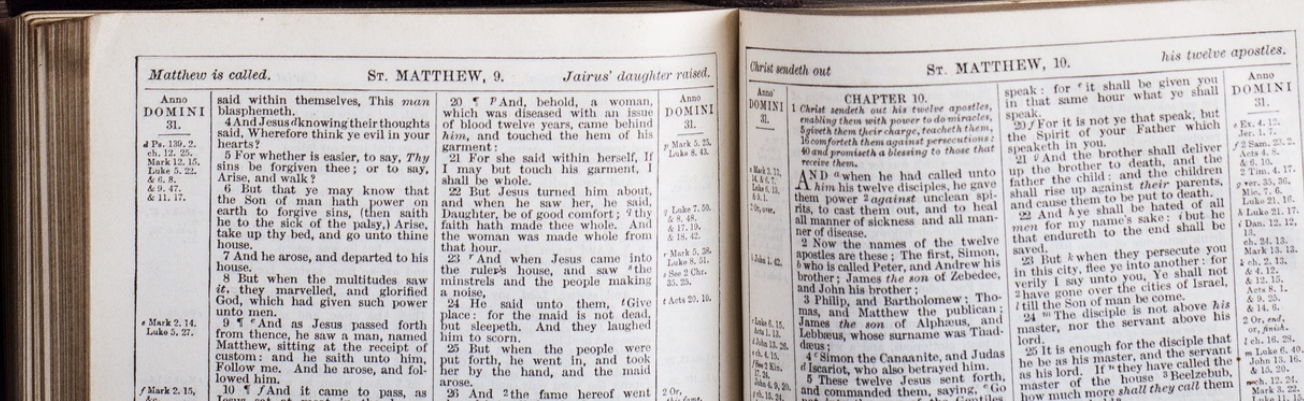


# Concord SDA Newsletter December 12, 2020

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

## Philippians 4:6



# Praise Reports

-Pastor Hart and his family have found housing within our district and will be arriving soon.

-Members have made donations for the Blessing Bags.

-That our church is open on Sabbaths for those that can attend and we have Zoom for those who can't attend. We are grateful for Warren, Jim, and others for making this happen.

-That James Curtis is out of ICU and that some of our church family is showering him with Get Well cards.



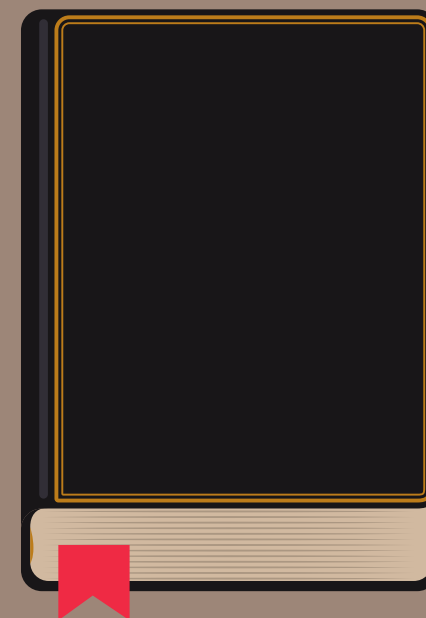
### Praise Reports from our members:

-I am so grateful for the books of Daniel and Revelation like never before. Our Lord and Savior is leading us through the narrow path unto salvation. Keep looking up. Also so grateful that we have been able to witness even to close neighbors at this time. That's an answer to prayer.

-I am grateful for a minor dental issue that revealed a major cause of chronic pain that now can be better addressed.



*Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*



# Prayer Requests

Pray for....

-Pastor Hart and their family as they transition to our district.

-Our church ministries: friendship evangelism, prison ministries, Blessings Bags ministry, The Caring Kitchen ministries - that we may bless others and lead them to Jesus.

-Matt's had his amputation on November 18th and is in good spirits. His chemo resumes in two weeks. Keep him in your prayers for healing of his wound and physical therapy.

-Raquel's upcoming surgery on December 15th.

-James Curtis as he has a long road to recovery from his stroke.

-Jeff's sister, Donna, as she recovers from an injury

-To get the Blessing Bags into the right people's hands.

-Those with COVID and protection from COVID



# Personal Evangelism

## Concord Church on the Move

### Blessing Bags

The Blessing Bags Ministries is well underway. Since the last edition to our newsletter, Community Services has created many more bags that are ready to hand out. We want to thank those who have made donations for these bags. We are still in need of socks, hats, gloves, travel sized toothpaste, deodorant, granola bars, and other individually wrapped healthy snacks. In addition, we would like to add \$5-10 gift cards to McDonald's or Dunkin Donuts. These gift cards will allow the homeless to be able to get out of the cold and purchase a meal providing them with a warm place to be for a few hours as a paying customer. We would welcome donations of these gift cards.

If you would like to get involved in this ministry by handing out these bags see Sharon or Laura and they can provide filled bags that are ready to go for you to hand out. Pray that we can get these bags into the right people's hands.



*Personal Evangelism was at the heart of Jesus' ministry. Wherever he went, he was helping and healing people. He mingled in the community and met peoples needs. We are commissioned to do likewise.*

### The Caring Kitchen

Health Ministries is launching The Caring Kitchen. This ministry is formalizing and structuring a common practice among our church members of providing a home cooked meal to those who are sick, recovering, in cancer treatment, quarantined, or just need a friendly gesture of love.

Meals have been going out primarily to people who are not in our church, but are friends or loved ones of the members of our church. These meals have been warmly received and is a perfect way to share the love of Jesus. With what could be a long winter of quarantining and/or sickness, this ministry hopes to bring hope and blessings.

If you know someone who could use a meal, please contact Karen Purba at [karenpurba@hotmail.com](mailto:karenpurba@hotmail.com) so a meal can be coordinated within The Caring Kitchen team.

