



THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE:  
**A New Perspective on Suffering**  
 Romans 8:18-30 (NIV)

<sup>18</sup> I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. <sup>23</sup> Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. <sup>26</sup> In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. <sup>27</sup> And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. <sup>28</sup> And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. <sup>30</sup> And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

## Prayers for January 23 - 29, 2022

**West Sider** :: Manuel Costa

**West Side Ministry** :: West Side Preschool

**Mali Children** :: Thienka and Fousseny

**Local Church** :: Bethany Church - West Richland

**Additional Concerns** :: Jan Jacobson, Lil Leggett, Grace Jackson, Gerry Wyatt, Dan & Sue Batchelder, Hideki Long, Debbie Mellinger, Janice Wellington, Karen Curtis, Sheridan DeLeon, Wendy Thomson, Rod Haines, Melanie Saint James, Trent Hamilton, Sandie Meigs, Jane Frazier, Bob Rozendal, Debbie Cassidy, Tedd Cadd, Jerry Strickler, Rick Grandy, Edna Schmel, Jill Bruun, Lainie McElroy, George Sherman Booth III, Jeanne Swanson, Kathy Weber & Family (death of husband Jim on Jan. 15)

**In Military Service** :: South Carolina-Adam Hardy; Illinois-Noah Ellis; Louisiana-Jared Hoey; California-Charina Erhart, Devin Glade; Washington -Mike Parkman; Washington/Oregon-Jacob Ellis

**This week we are praying for** Christeena Alaichamy with Sight and Light India Ministry (SLIM). She recently shared the following praises and prayers:

- *Praise God for the marriage of Ashish and Amy on Dec. 29, 2021.*
- *Praise God for the completion of the consultant checking for Vagadi John and Acts so the whole manuscript for printing by the end of this month.*
- *Pray for Hanna, who joined us last month, as I start to teach her linguistics and phonetics, so she can help in checking translations and help in many other ways.*
- *Please pray for the participants in Literacy Classes to continue to pray and grow in their faith. May Varu Ben faith and testimony of what God has done in her life by providing a home after a fire inspire others.*

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- Call Roz Rodgers at 509.460.1233.