



## **CALLING OUT TO GOD FOR THE ONGOING MINISTRIES OF SHORELINE CHURCH!**



March 2019

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** Tracy Hartlage

**Praise Report:** Our new curriculum is being well received by the kids and there is a more intentional focus on scripture memory. Teachers are unified and enjoying teaching kids about Jesus!

#### **Praise Requests:**

1. The month of March we are focusing on Worship and at the end of the month we will be sharing Jesus' invitation to accept Him as Lord. Pray that as we teach leading up to that, hearts will be transformed.
2. Pray for families as we give them a devotional resource leading up to Easter. Pray that they will engage their kiddos in a new experience as they learn about those days leading up to the Resurrection.
3. Pray for Miss Tracy's sister Sarah as she takes part in a study to fight lymphoma. It has not responded to chemo. Praying that the study has great results.

### **YOUTH MINISTRY:** Callie Willoughby

**Praise Report:** The Winter Retreat went well overall. Thank you so much for all the prayers. Lives were impacted for Christ and His Kingdom.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

1. Pray for unity within our groups, and that we'd be transformed by the radical love of Jesus. Pray that this new series "Jesus Loves" will help us better understand the heart of Jesus.
2. Pray for the 2019 church-wide mission trip team. Pray that God would bring together the group of people He'd have for this summer, and that He'd nudge us outside of our comfort zone. Applications are available online or at church and are due by March 17.
3. Pray that our students would invite friends who don't yet know Jesus to the Winter Jam concert at the end of the month (March 31)!
4. Pray for safe travels and rest over Spring Break!

### **TOTAL CHURCH MINISTRY:** Bill Blue

**Praise Report:** Shoreline (YOU) did a great job of representing Jesus well as we hosted the HS choir. You greeted them well – you fed them very well – you took care of their needs from helping the sick to encouraging them with your applause! Way to lean into God and represent HIM well!!

#### **Prayer Requests:**

1. Ask God to empower me so that I can consistently represent Him well as I get to coach track at the HS!
2. Pray for clarity as I put the finishing touches on the messages as we lead up to Easter!
3. Thank God for His continued faithfulness to Shoreline!
4. Pray that each Shoreliner would be motivated and empowered to make the next steps that they need to take along their journey to become more and more like Jesus!



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# The Church is much bigger than Shoreline!

February 2019

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** Tracy Hartlage

**Praise Report:** Shoreline Kids so appreciates your prayers!! The kids have been healthier this year than last and we have a very unified team working to grow kids who love God, love people and are learning to share Jesus with their friends!! That is in large part due to your continued prayer support – Thank you so much!

### **Praise Requests:**

1. As we have team members moving on to different ministries, please join us in praying for those that will come into the ministry. Pray that as we approach people over the next few weeks, that their hearts will be open to worship God through the act of serving.
2. Pray for the new members of our team that they will feel welcome and energized in the important ministry of showing the love of Jesus to Shoreline Kids.
3. Miss Tracy's sister, Sarah, is undergoing treatment for Lymphoma. She will be in Cleveland Feb. 25-27 receiving high dose chemotherapy. Pray that the cancer responds to the treatment and that Sarah can maintain her strength in the fight.

As always, continue to pray for our church family.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY:** Callie Willoughby

**Praise Report:** We had an awesome weekend at the 2019 Midwest UB Winter Retreat! Thank you to everyone who was covering this weekend in prayer. God transformed the lives of many students; some giving their life to him for the first time and others making re-commitments to him! We had no major injuries and safe travels both ways. God is good!

### **Prayer Requests:**

1. Continue to pray for our February series on love and relationships.
2. Pray that we could regain some momentum. With all the cancellations, things seem very disconnected at the moment.
3. Pray that God would bring together a team for the summer mission trip opportunity with International House in Ft. Wayne. We need to know who can commit by March 3<sup>rd</sup> or sooner.

## **TOTAL CHURCH MINISTRY:** Bill Blue

**Praise Report:** The Team Building Event has close to 30 in attendance and according to their evaluations our Ministry Teams got some good insights into doing ministry together. The Football Sunday videos just seem to get more effective each year, though I wish we had more guests on that Sunday.

**Prayer Requests:**

1. Ask God to prompt our people to take the '4 Chair Assessment'! It's a great tool for each person's own growth in Christ and it will help us to see where our total church is at spiritually.
2. Pray that the Holy Spirit will be abundantly present at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Service, when we host the High School choir.
3. Pray that the Holy Spirit would lead as I do some long-range planning between Feb. 25-28.

## ***PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHINA!***

*Churches closed and demolished ...  
house churches raided ... pastors  
handcuffed mid-service ... Christians  
arrested, interrogated, imprisoned ...  
crosses removed from churches*

A new Chinese law has led to a widespread crackdown on Christians in provinces throughout the country.

1. Please pray for them as they work to advance the gospel despite growing opposition.
2. Ask the Lord to grant them endurance for the days ahead and to make them "strong and very courageous" (Joshua 1:7).
3. Pray that God would empower our Chinese Christian family to endure these attacks on their faith, while providing them with everything they may need in this struggle.

