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### December 2024 Prayer Letter

Dear Prayer and Fasting Partners,

I want to thank all of you for your consistent prayer support through 2024. When I think of you, I am reminded of what Jesus said in Luke 18: 1, “Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.” We know the value of always relying on prayer at Ignite and I know the incredible importance of having partners who refuse to give up praying for you. Thank you for being those types of partners for Ignite. As we wrap up our prayer items for the year, I am grateful for the ways we have seen God move mountains ahead of us during 2024. I will do a recap on answers to our prayers we have seen in January. Here are the things I would ask you to pray for during December:

1. **2025 Prayer Mountains:** Each year, we set aside time during December to listen to the Spirit for the big things we think the Father wants us to be asking him for during the year ahead. I have asked our board and staff to do some thinking and listening during the month for 2025 “mountains”. Please ask the Father for clarity and direction this month.
2. **Church Planting Leaders’ Fellowship:** From December 2 – 5, I will be in California for a meeting of church planting directors from across the nation. This group meets twice a year and at the May 2024 meeting, we received some good ideas and wisdom from leaders who were there. I would like you to ask God for divine connections during my time there. (He had some great ones for me during my time at ICOM in Lexington last month, so I am looking forward to more next week.)
3. **Meeting with Potential Planting Partners:** I am going to be meeting with several different people who could bring some expertise to our church planting ministry. Please pray that I listen well to what God wants us to do.
4. **Christmas Season Outreach in our Churches:** Christmas is a time of the year that many contemplate attending a church. Please pray for the people in our new churches to excel in inviting their friends, families and neighbors to church events during the season. Pray for our churches to excel in extending hospitality to these newcomers.
5. **Year-End Giving:** We are going to ask our partners to consider a year-end gift to help us plant more churches in Pakistan through Khomeigh Molaghat (our Farsi church plant in Addison, IL). KM has started 4 churches already in this country and we want to accelerate what God is doing through a year-end gift.

Thank you for your prayers for Ignite, you have richly blessed our ministry with your support. BTW: the new plant of The Village CC in Shorewood had over 200 people show up on November 3.

Thanks for praying. Have a blessed Christmas season, Lance