



JUNE 2026 PRAYER LETTER

Praise the Lord, our church membership roll is growing! Just a few weeks ago, we celebrated Celebration Sunday, where four people followed the Lord in baptism and five joined the church. We also had two more graduates from our discipleship course—our first married couple! The excitement of seeing new believers grow in their walk with Christ is truly precious.

We have also started a monthly leadership meeting for those who desire to serve in the church. Twelve people attended our very first meeting! Please continue to pray for these individuals as they step into areas of ministry and seek to serve the Lord with their lives. We are praying that God will continue to open doors for new opportunities to reach our community with the Gospel.

As Living Hope becomes more established, we are asking God to help us begin another church plant. Would you pray with us for wisdom and direction? Specifically, please pray that God would provide the right pastor for Living Hope Baptist Church and clearly direct us to the location of the next church plant.

Recently, we took an unexpected trip to visit family following the passing of Amber's grandmother. While the circumstances were difficult, it was a tremendous blessing to spend time with family we had not seen in quite some time. On our drive back to New York City from Oklahoma, we were also able to stop in Georgia to visit my dad. The girls especially enjoyed seeing family and spending time with their cousins.

Amelia had a particularly difficult time with the traveling. However, since returning home, we have seen God answer some very specific and significant prayers on her behalf. We had been patiently waiting for genetics and immunology appointments next month, but the change in her over the past several weeks has been noticeable to everyone around her. She now waves at people at church and in the store. She runs around the house and church, squealing and playing. She is sleeping better as well, which has made a tremendous difference. We know that God alone has brought about these changes. Thank you to those who have faithfully prayed for her over the past fifteen months. We are deeply grateful for God's faithfulness, goodness, and sovereignty.

On another personal note, we are still praying that God will provide a home with more space for our family. When we moved to this apartment in New York nearly five years ago, we only had Ellyanna. Since then, God has graciously grown our family to have four precious children, and our small apartment is becoming increasingly crowded. As we seek God's direction concerning the next church plant, we are mindful that perhaps the Lord has not yet opened the door for a home because He may be preparing to lead us to a different area. We covet your prayers as we seek His wisdom and guidance for these important decisions.

Over the past five years, we have lost some financial support. With the growth of our family and the plan to start a second church soon, we find ourselves needing to raise additional support. Would you pray that God would give us wisdom and direction regarding this need as well?

Thank you for your faithful prayers, partnership, and investment in the work of God here in the Bronx. We are grateful for each of you and pray that the Lord will richly bless you for your faithfulness and sacrifice.

**His for New York City,
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Amber - July 3
Ellyanna - August 22
Makayela - November 20
Johanna - September 10
Amelia - March 10
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