

2017 PRAISE REPORTS

January

- Today Frank is able to move around and the pain is reduced tremendously. Please continue to pray for Frank's total healing. Thank you for your prayers.
- The results from his mother's most recent round of tests were encouraging. There was a reduction in the size of her tumors, which indicates the treatment she has been receiving is working. She still has a long road ahead, so please continue to pray for complete healing.
- Praise God that Laura is almost fully recovered from her surgery. Praise God for their son Jacob. Jacob turned 23 on Sunday and they pray that he will follow God's calling on his life.
- Karen's 25 year old son William lives in Denver and a couple of days into the New Year he intervened in an argument between another young man and an elderly man. The young man pulled a gun on William, but Praise God the gun did not go off.
- They praise God that they have a healthy family. Josh has been unemployed for almost 14 months. The blessings that they have been able to experience during this time have been unexpected and amazing. Their spiritual growth wouldn't have come as quickly without this season. They do pray that a job with consistent pay does come to Josh. God keeps providing!
- Praise God that he and his daughter Ellie were not injured in a recent car accident.
- Praise God that Laura continues to successfully heal from her surgery.
- PTL, they were able to obtain assistance with their mortgage so they will not go into late fees which could have led to foreclosure.
- Praise God! Surgery went well for Esther and the hand surgeon said it was the largest ganglion cyst he had ever removed but it was also the easiest. Thanks for all the prayers.
- Angela received her federal clearance and will be leaving on Sunday for Ecuador with the Peace Corps! Praise God!
- They thank you for praying with them!! Stella gave birth to a healthy baby girl. God was in control throughout the entire process. Praise be to His name!
- After 4-1/2 years, Matt received a contract teaching job. Thank you for your prayers. God is faithful!
- After Bob had medical tests last week the doctors told him that he does not need a kidney transplant! His kidneys have improved. This is the Lord's work! Please pray for his liver to respond the same way. Thank you for your prayers.
- Praise God, their daughter Liz found a job. Thank you for praying.
- They are thankful that Larry's surgery last week went well.
- About a year ago, Pastor John asked them to give their testimony about God speaking to Tristan to quit his job to take care of their daughter Savannah at home. Since then, they have continued to see God's favor at Felicia's job with a yearly raise that was as high as could be given, as well as a recent promotion with another raise in salary!

- Welcomed Grayson James Schreiber, January 22, 2017.

February

- Scott and Sonia today learned of his new assignment with the Air Force and they are very happy. They will be moving in a little over a month. They do request your prayers that all involved with this process would proceed smoothly.
- Jolene had her final test on her left eye. There is no sign of macular degeneration and the cataract has shrunk! Praise God!
- Sarah thanks all who have helped her become a follower of Jesus. She is thankful for West Ridge helping her become one with the church.
- John arrived safely in China, but had stomach issues a few days this past week. He is doing better this past weekend. Praise the Lord!
- Praise God for the good doctor's report Stephanie received.
- Thank you for your prayers for Bob and Carolyn. God's Presence is in their lives. They are expecting great things.
- Praise God! Chris was an instrument of the healing power of Jesus on Wednesday night. Pam's knees were healed of their (bone on bone) arthritis that she has had for over five years! Please pray for her hips as they now adjust.
- No bladder cancer found! Continual praise for love of family.
- Praise God for a wonderful vacation in Florida and safe travel.
- Thank you for your prayers for Nancy's son, Dustin. Dustin was again diagnosed with bipolar one. This time he has accepted his diagnosis and is willing to take medication and says it is helping. He was having a manic episode when he put his hands through a window and ended up with 19 stitches. God had His hand on Dustin. Nancy is thankful that God is working in Dustin's life and answering prayers. Dustin is still in the hospital.
- "Just wanted to thank our church for hosting the XO Marriage Conference. I was so excited that Chuck would finally hear Pastor Jimmy Evans and see the vision of what our marriage could be, but I was blown away! Thank you West Ridge family for loving us through!!!"
- Praise God for a safe delivery of their fifth grandchild Bryce Paul! Their daughter, Joni and her husband, Adam, are doing well also. Bryce Paul joins his 3-year-old brother Brody Michael. Praise our God!
- For 6 years Shelly has tried to be a living witness to a co-worker. Shelly has shared her faith and taken steps to make sure her co-worker knew the importance of Christ in Shelly's life. Three weeks ago her co-worker began going to a church and now they are in a class to join the church. Shelly's friend and her family have started a wonderful journey. To God to be the glory!

- Praise God for the wonderful host family Angela is with in Ecuador for the next three months. Please keep Angela in prayer for her permanent placement (2 years). Please pray for a wonderful God-loving, supportive family.
- Thank you for your prayers. Nathan is better. They have nothing new to report on Josh's employment, but they know that God has not forgotten them! He is still providing. Day by day they walk with Him and see His creative ways!
- Praise God that Francine's sister, Betty, is beginning to eat again after a Pancreatitis episode. She was in much pain, which has decreased. This is answer to prayer at the altar.
- Dean is thankful that his brother, Roy's gallbladder surgery went well. Pray for Roy's continued recovery.
- Last Sunday my husband and I prayed with Pastor Eric after service about our father's possible kidney transplant. He was in renal failure and receiving dialysis 3 days per week for the last 5 years. Saturday evening, he was called to go through testing to see if a transplant was possible. Shortly after Sunday service, he was called down to pre-op. After the last round of pre-op tests, he went into surgery and came out of a successful surgery with a new kidney. Our entire family is praising God for this miracle that can only be possible through Him! Hallelujah! Glory be to God in the highest!
- Thank you Pastor Eric, Pastor John, and West Ridge for being so warm and welcoming to our family!
- The Yoder family welcomed Karsten on February 4. Karsten weighed 7 lbs, 15 oz. The current cold/flu bug has been circling in the Yoder home, please pray for healing.
- After a prayer request was sent out on Wednesday for Fern's friend Lacey, God listened. The woman who had previously said she would not help Lacey, helped Lacey that day and since!
- Praise God, their father continues to do well after his kidney transplant. He returned home on Wednesday. Please continue to pray for a speedy recovery.
- After many years of receiving allergy injections, Carol learned that she no longer needs to have the shots! Also, no one was hurt in an auto accident Carol had today. Praise God!
- Diane's daughter Jessica has a teaching job in Las Vegas. She has been there since August. That is wonderful, but the best part is Jessica developing her "own", strong relationship with Jesus! She is plugged into a great church and has become very involved. A new legacy. Yeah!!
- Tara's cousin was in a car accident at the end of January, breaking her back in three places. Sarah and her family thank you for the prayers. Sarah recently saw her surgeon and learned that no surgery will be required! He expects her to make a full recovery in the next month!!
- Six salvations on Sunday, February 26!!

March

- Our story started October 2, 2015 with our son and a motorcycle accident. The end of our story has not been written yet. Only God knows the ending, but we are praising Him for His continued faithfulness, goodness and unbelievable grace and mercy! Our son's life was saved that day in October, saved again after a erroneous medication dosage that cause acute kidney failure and dialysis. His life was saved two weeks ago from an opioid addiction due to the pain medication prescribed over this past year and a half.
- Our son has made the decision to have his leg amputated! He made the statement, "Mom, I'm glad God allowed the accident, I was headed down the wrong path." "I'm so thankful He saved my life, now I need to figure out how He wants to use me".
- Wonderful words to hear as parents.
- We can never praise God enough, for His all-knowing hand throughout this trial. Praise Him for who He is, Praise Him for loving us, and never ever giving us more than His grace can cover. We are so very blessed. He has worked out some incredible details, too numerous, to list.
- Please continue to pray for Dr.'s wisdom as they seek to do this amputation in a way most beneficial to our sons recovery with a prosthesis. Pray for our sons healing and challenges he still has to conquer.
- Praise God, Dillon is home with Sue and he came to church on Sunday! Please continue to pray for Dillon. Sue thinks he is now using crack.
- Nancy thanks God for working in her son's life. Dustin is now accepting his diagnosis and is taking his medication. She is thankful for Pastor Erik reaching out to Dustin and showing him Christ's love. Nancy is also thankful that her doctor does not feel she needs to have a breast biopsy due to the size and shape of the tumor. She now has an ultrasound scheduled for July. Thank you for your prayers! God is so good!
- Crystal is feeling much better. She is now able to see Ava twice a week for supervised visits. Crystal has a court date at the end of the month to determine if she can again have full custody of Ava. Please keep Crystal in prayer that she stays strong and that her new medication keeps her steady.
- They thank and praise the Lord for all the blessings He provided in their lives.
- They are thankful that their son Shawn found a job with benefits.
- One salvation on Sunday, Mar 5.
- My cousin Bob was just told by his doctor that his leukemia is in remission!! Praise God! Cousin Michelle had successful surgery yesterday. Since she's been in recovery she is having problems with dry heaves. Al had two blockages cleared yesterday. He and Tina should be allow to fly back to Pittsburgh on Thursday. Our God is so good! Thank you for your prayer support!
- They give glory to our Lord for the worship team. The music melts away all the heaviness they carry. They are blessed with the newness of the Holy Spirit when they sing. Thank you.

- Praise Jesus! Mike was accepted to PSU! He can move forward with everything. They continue to pray for Mike's decision-making skills.
- Their niece had a good report from her doctor. The cancer on her neck is gone and the breast cancer is shrinking.
- Praise God for his brother's recovery from gallbladder surgery.
- They spent a fun Saturday with Ava, Crystal and Matt for Crystal's supervised visit. Crystal seems to be doing so much better. Please keep Crystal in prayer regarding the upcoming court date (Mar. 28) for custody of Ava.
- Cindy's husband John was working on phones at work and somehow metal touched metal. John was shocked and thrown backwards. Cindy thanks God that he was not severely hurt either through the shock or the fall.
- My mother recently had her latest round of quarterly tests and scans, which show there has been a reduction in the size of her tumors since the end of December. Some of her symptoms have been reduced, and she is feeling a little better overall. She will continue on the same course of treatment, and will undergo another round of tests in a few months. She greatly appreciates everyone's prayers, and asks that we still continue to pray for her complete healing.
- They thank the Lord for a safe place of freedom to worship Him and service His people. They give glory and praise.
- Shelly's co-worker Danielle, who recently started attending church with her husband and two boys, recently learned that the nodules on her thyroid are benign! Praise God!
- They found someone who was able to replace their expansion tank. Praise God that He meets our needs!
- I had dinner with Lacey last night. She said her oncologist had called that morning with news about her scan. The doctor told her as an oncologist she is always calling with bad news and that morning she was thrilled because she could call and give good news. Lacey is cancer free! She had three spots of cancer and it is all gone. Her doctor said it was a miracle.

Lacey is hoping to come to the Good Friday service. She wants to meet the people who have prayed for her. Her husband, Mike, who is not a believer is going to bring her. She is hoping he will see the truth about God and become a believer.

The oncologist suggests she still have the surgery. It is scheduled April 20th, the week after the play. Please continue to pray for wisdom regarding her surgery. Also pray that Mike will come to the play and God will use it to bring him to Christ.

- Linda finally committed to tithing, and ... amazingly, she still has money. Because of an error in her employer's records, Linda was notified she would be receiving a check for

\$2,000. Linda and Jeff have committed to tithing, and are blown away that there is still money in their accounts, even with unexpected expenses. Praise God!

- Tim's friend Brandon has returned to work and continues to get stronger every day. He is also starting to go to church with his mother. Thank you for all your prayers.
- Their son has sold his home in North Carolina. After being out of work for 1-1/2 years, he started a new job this week in D.C. Please pray for healing of his back.
- Tara returned home from the hospital yesterday. Tara's tonsils went from little to no improvement over the course of the weekend to almost normal (still enlarged), but with less infection. Yesterday the doctors were prepared to remove the tonsils, but then Tara heard God tell her to wait. He said that taking the tonsils out now would increase the risk for harm, so the tonsils are to heal for a few more weeks. When they are removed, the tissue will be healthier. Praise God!
- Praise God, Libby today learned that she does not have thyroid cancer!

April

- Crystal now has 3 days a week supervised visitation with Ava. The judge wants Crystal to continue with more therapy before he makes decision regarding custody of Ava.
- Sonia and her father arrived safely in Colorado Springs. Please pray for Scott and Sonia as they are still looking for a house.
- Thank you for allowing and assisting me being saved today! Thank you for all the prayers for Molly, her daughter and son.
- Praise that her sister received a nearly full ride scholarship to DePaul University.
- Wendy is feeling very good after having the stents inserted. Praise God!
- For a few days was having problems with nose bleeds. Yesterday he went to the ER where he was helped and he is doing great now!
- Cindy is thankful she was able to make it to church on Easter Sunday. Please continue to pray for Cindy's healing. She has difficulty sleeping at night due to the pain she is experiencing. There are four doctors consulting on Cindy's condition, pray that our Healer guides and directs them to what Cindy needs.
- Praise God that his son Joshua and his family attended church on Easter Sunday! Praise God for what we celebrated on Sunday.
- Praise God, He is healing Tina of diabetes. Her blood levels were all normal during the last round of testing. The A1C levels dropped almost 2 points. She is believing for total healing!
- They are blessed by our Father's grace and mercy. Covered by His blood and given eternal love and forgiveness.

- After over ten years of trying to obtain a visa for their parents, we have been successful! Praise God! The parents will be coming to visit them soon. Please join them to thank God for his mercies.
- Lacey's surgery went well. She's not had any pain medication for awhile. Lacey's doctor says she is ahead of schedule and she is going home today.
- Thank you for your thoughts and prayers. Jared's amputation is done and all went well. Once his pain is controlled, Jared will be released to go home either Sunday or Monday.
- Tara Joyce's surgery went well, though she is in a lot of pain.
- The Lord brought Gary to West Ridge and He is filling Gary's heart and soul more each day. Gary is beginning to see a new life and the old is fading away. Praise the Lord!
- Samantha is now in 8th grade and is about to take her first steps into high school. Samantha believes she has found God's calling on her life and is now prepared for high school and even looking at colleges to prepare herself. She thanks God for giving her peace of mind!
- Praise God that their new business, Frogwash, is accepting clients for auto detailing. They give all to the Lord!
- Diane is coming to place where she is able to praise God for the Fibromyalgia she has. She can see that God has allowed this to keep her humble and compassionate for others.
- Praise be to the Lord for all the blessings He has put in their lives. He is a prayer answering Lord!
- They offer their thanks for all the amazing support, love, and prayers. They ask for continued prayers for God's miraculous healing as they continue on this journey and gather information from doctors. They know who the ultimate Healer is and that He has the final say in their child's life.
- They praise God that yesterday's court hearing on owed child support went well! Please continue to pray that Josh finds steady employment.
- Praise God! Josh and Jennifer welcomed Everett Alexander May 2, 2017! Jennifer and Everett are doing great!
- Praise God, He found her brother Jasere. They had been searching for almost 1-1/2 years.
- Praise God for their financial freedom and their ability to bless others.
- Praise God for all of His provisions and blessings.
- Zoey had been praying to find a home that was right for her. As a first-time home buyer, it was very stressful. She praises God that she closed on her new home on May 5 and she is now a homeowner!
- We were praying for Tim's friend Tammy, who has a tumor in her colon. The biopsy results show that the tumor is benign!

- The MUM Group is a wonderful blessing. Deana is so blessed to share God's word and encouragement with one another as the group reads "Confident Mom" book. Praise God for the encouragement and the laughs! Deana also praises God for small projects being completed.
- Sarah has been able to change her work schedule so she can bring her one-year old and two-year old boys to church. Her deepest desire is for her children to live a life that pleases the Lord and to be close to God! She is excited to be a part of West Ridge.
- They had a wonderful visit with Crystal on Saturday. Her mood was much improved. They think Crystal's medication has been adjusted to the correct dose. Ava had a fun time with her mother. Please pray that Crystal's ex will agree to unsupervised visits.
- Jenny was in a difficult work situation and God provided a way for Jenny to secure a position in another department. Thank you God!
- Sunday's message was incredible. They praise God for speaking through Pastor John.
- They praise God for Stephanie's recovery and for the growth of their business.
- Cindy and her family love the announcement of the answered prayers each week.
- Jackie wants to thank everyone for their prayers regarding the situation with her school not allowing graduating students to use quotes from scripture or reference God at their graduation ceremony. As of yesterday morning the administration reversed their decision and now the students can share their faith at the graduation ceremony. Jackie's co-workers faith in prayer and God has been strengthened!
- They loved learning about the history and beginnings of the church in Philippi. It was cool to put it all into a context to better understand the scripture. Thank you!
- Just an update on my brother Steve...he had 99% blockage in artery. Surgery showed no muscle trauma of the heart!! He has a week bed rest and 12 weeks of rehab. So thankful to God for his provision! The Doc who was the surgeon goes to Steve's church!!! Steve is amazed at all God did to keep him here. He is thankful!!! Whether in heaven or on earth may His love shine!!!! Thank you for all of your prayers. Steve says the prayer chain was worldwide!!! Love the family of God!!!! With a grateful heart we worship Jesus!!!
- Praise the Lord that her brother, Jason, and his family were not injured when a tornado went through their back yard causing quite a bit of damage to the houses surrounding theirs. They had very minimal damage!

June

- They cannot thank God enough because they were facing a serious legal issue but God turned it around.
- She is very thankful for all the prayers for Ray and his foster family. His status hearing to change his status from foster to adoption is 6/21. So they are one step closer to being a forever family.
- My family and I greatly appreciate all of your prayers and support as my cousin Clarence journeyed home to be with our Lord. Thank you!
- Marion has been challenged to live her life fearlessly. She is struggling with fears false evidence appearing real has been a stumbling block for her, especially as a single mom. The opening song Sunday spoke to her that she is all that He says she is! So she is fearless and His!
- Their daughter Emmy went to Madagascar this past weekend. There have been two words of prophecy that she will receive acknowledgment about full time ministry as a missionary. Please pray that Emmy recognizes and understands the Holy Spirit's calling.
- Mary offers thanks and praise to Jesus for the quick healing of her granddaughter's recovery from her tonsil surgery.
- Diana praises God for providing her with a job in her field.
- Dean praises God for His provisions and blessings.
- They had been struggling financially for the past 6 months and were debating if Derek should get another job or if Bekah should return to work and pay childcare. They also struggled with continuing to tithe, but decided they needed to be faithful. The very next day after that decision, Bekah received a job offer and also an interview for a position in her field for another job the following day. They are amazed at God's provision and blessings through their faithfulness to Him! Praise God!
- Their son Evan starts his new job on June 26. Thanks to God! They thank you for your prayers.

Update from 6/15

- Hi friends, I know it has been a long time since I have given an update. With uneventful doctor appts and vacation we finally have a little bit more information...
- A couple weeks ago we had an appt with the cardiologist but baby girl was all curled up and they couldn't get the images they needed to make a diagnosis so we continued to wait. Today I had my ultrasound with the specialist and this is the latest information we have received.

Praises:

- She is still smaller than "average" but she is growing enough that they aren't concerned!

- The tech and specialist are 99% certain her heart is NOT hyperplasia!
 - I did not have set up another appt which means they are happy with where she is at!
 - So...with the images they got today they both agree that she most likely has coarctation of the aortic arch, which means there is a part of the aortic valve that is narrower than it should be.
 - We see the cardiologist again on Monday and she will either confirm this diagnosis or tell us what she thinks is happening.
 - Thank you so much for all your prayers and support; we are seeing God work his miracles! We ask for continued prayers for her growth and specifically to pray for the opening of the aortic arch. We are not in the clear yet, but I know we will be!
- Update from 6/19
Good morning,
 - So we saw the cardiologist this morning and she was very positive with her diagnosis. She does agree that the left side of the heart is ever so slightly smaller ... nothing that can't be dealt with once she is here and could possibly take care of itself in the last few months. She is very optimistic that her heart was not severely hypoplasia and that she would not need the series of 3 very invasive surgeries that go along with that. She believes the heart issue most likely stems from the Turner's syndrome (provided that is what she has).
 - So with all that said the doctor specifically told us to "go home and NOT worry" haha. We see her again in 6 weeks to see how baby girl is progressing. But until then we pray for continued and complete healing. We will have to change obgyn practices to ones that deliver at West Penn because St Clair does not have the NICU facilities she will need upon delivery. So that is another prayer request that we can transition smoothly and find good doctors despite everything that is happening.
 - We appreciate your prayers, they are working!!! We will update you again in 6 weeks or so!
 - Their daughter Naomi had surgery on Friday, which was successful and Naomi and is doing well.
 - Emmy had relief from the migraines after our prayers! She returns from Madagascar on Friday. Thanks to the Prayer Team!
 - Justin's grandmother was released from the hospital and will spend some time in rehab before returning home. She is feeling better, but a little weak. Justin's Aunt Martina received the pathology results for her lymph nodes. All three were negative, with no evidence of invasive cancer! She thanks WRCCC for the prayers on her behalf.

July

- Join them as they give praise and thanks to the Lord for all the blessings and wonderful things He has done in their lives. He has always been there to deliver them in times of need.
- Praise God, Crystal and her ex met last Tuesday and worked everything out. Ava had her first night back at Crystal's home Saturday night. Ava will choose the nights she wants to stay at her Dad's home. Please pray for a smooth transition for Ava.
- Her friend Wayne is undergoing six weeks of radiation. When he has three weeks done, the doctors will assess additional treatment. All are encouraged as this is better than the "best possible" outcome the doctor was expecting. Please keep praying. God continues to amaze the doctors throughout his recovery. Please continue to pray for Danette, Rich, and Ann, that they will hear and respond to God's call.
- She had prayer at the altar regarding her computer being scammed. She believes she will receive her money back by disputing the charges. Most of all she praises God for His peace through this situation.
- Thank you for praying for her niece Robin and her family. Robin's son Nathan had his pacemaker surgery and received a good report a few days ago! Also, Robin has found a job in Florida and will be able to rejoin her family there.
- Cookie thanks you for your prayers for her niece Linda. God brought her through her knee surgery and she is now recovering.
- Excellent worship time! Always a wonderful start to the week. Thanks to the Praise & Worship team!
- John James Fryman was born yesterday at 5:40 pm, 8 lbs, 4 oz, 21 inches long and he is perfectly healthy! Katie and John will be going home tomorrow.
- Thank you for all the prayers for Jessica's aunt. Her aunt had a new CT scan and all of her cancer is gone, except for one small spot on her lung! Praise God! Please pray that the remaining spot also heals.
- Diane asked God to allow for interaction with people while they passed out coats at a recent ministry. They were able to speak with people, prayed and shared God with many.
- Praise for the closeness of her family. There are still a few who need to be saved.
- Alex has a clean bill of health after 30 days of medication and prayer. No more Lyme disease!
- They thank God for His mercy and grace, His healing of marriages, and His blessing of West Ridge church.
- This is an update on Kwame: The surgery was successful according to the Doctor. He was in Intensive care for a day, and his condition improved, as a result, he was transferred to a step-down unit.

- Yesterday he was up and walking and he is able to eat. Possibly, he will be discharged today as his condition improves.
- This is a miracle from our Lord. They are so grateful, and want to thank everyone for your valued prayers for Kwame. Please keep them in your prayers as he recovers fully.
- Rosemarie's knee surgery last week went well. Rosemarie plans to return to work today. Please pray for the relief of some pain she is still experiencing.
- What an awesome experience and awesome people. He's so glad he attended Sunday.
- They praise God that their niece Kristen is expecting another child in December.
- Suzanne wants to thank Jesus and the church leaders for the Hurt Pocket series. She has been in and out of therapy for most of her adult life and one session with the Hurt Pocket group has provided more than the combined years of therapy! She knows this is where the Lord wants her to be. Please pray that Suzanne continues to attend these meetings. She loves West Ridge.
- back pain healed!

August

- Here is the latest update! They saw the cardiologist last Monday and she did another echo on baby girl. A few parts of the heart are still measuring small but just barely! She says everything is just on the cusp of being normal, praise Jesus! With that being said, whatever is causing the smallness is so small that she won't be able to tell until baby girl is here and they run an echo on her after birth to see what is causing the abnormality. Because of this the doctor is comfortable with me going into labor normally instead of inducing at 39 weeks (which is what they would normally do). After that they will take her to the NICU, run tests, and do an echo, and from there they will return her to the nursery, if everything looks ok and she doesn't need surgery immediately. The cardiologist seems optimistic she won't need anything or if she does it will be able to be scheduled at a later time and won't be needed immediately upon delivery. They meet their new OB practice in a couple weeks to get to know them and transfer everything to them since they are switching to West Penn hospital. Everything is looking like it's on the up and up, but they continue to ask for your prayers for continued healing in these final weeks, a smooth transition of doctors, and of course a smooth delivery! Thank y'all for your amazing support, they can truly see the power of your prayers! Love y'all!
- Praise God for a great opportunity with new business.
- Justin's cousin Julie had brain surgery last week, which was successful. Julie was home within 3 days of the procedure. She is still recovering, but feels better and is in good spirits. Thank you for your prayers.
- Thanks to all who kept their family in prayer over the past year. They see Jesus using all the trials to grow them. Thanks be to God for His excellent wisdom!

- Praise for a meeting they will have on August 16 that will expand their business. They are trusting in Him for the increase!
- Praise God that Laura has had several new job offers, they pray that God will direct her to the right one.
- Marty, who was having dizziness, blurred vision & numbness, has now been given a clean bill of health. Cookie thanks all for your prayers. God is faithful to His word!
- Her niece's husband, Jeff, accepted Jesus as his savior last week!
- A lady attending the Hurt Pocket session last week accepted Jesus!
- Praise God! Crystal started her new job at Joann Fabrics on Saturday and she loves it! Please keep her in prayer as she is worried they may change their mind about adjusting her work schedule around Ava's schedule.
- Thank you for all of the parenting support provided through North Country. Please don't underestimate the value of what is happening. Michelle and Pastor Manny are a blessing. Even though they grew up in the church, they need this continued parenting support. Raising children to love and honor Christ may be easy for one, and not the other. God Bless!
- Thanking the Lord for healing their nephew, Brandon. Brandon is 28 years old and the muscles in his throat stopped working. For the past year he was not able to eat solid food. The doctors recently removed his feeding tube and he is again able to eat solid food.
- Salvation!
- Total of 3 salvations on Sunday!
- Please thank everyone for praying for 11 year old Bryce. Surgery went well on his heart and the doctors are optimistic. Praise God for His love and kindness and mercy!!! Please keep Bryce and his family in prayer, that they remember to thank Jesus for His care, and that they spread His love to those around them. May Bryce have an amazing recovery!!!
- Frank is home from the hospital!

September

- From Pastor John - I wanted to let you know Church of the Living Christ made the final decision yesterday to become One with West Ridge! Praise God for His leading and faithfulness to unify more than 20 people in unity, only He can speak such clarity to every person. Thank you for all your prayers and support, so much ahead.
- -Elia Jane Lupo was born September 5 to Ian & Kaitlin.
- Kathryn asked her doctor to redo all of the medical tests she had done in June that showed problems. All of the recent tests came back normal! God is awesome!
- Brianna is doing great since coming home from the hospital! Thank you for your prayers.

- This is Aren's 4th week at West Ridge and she shares that it is wonderful. Her daughter and granddaughter have joined her!
- Praise God, their son Jacob's surgery went well. Please pray for his continued healing.
- Erin requested prayer finding a job. Yesterday she started at a corporate office in a temp position! She thanks you for your prayers!
- Levi experienced several "incidents" this past summer that she believes were prompts from God. She has never felt God in her life until now. She thanks Pastor John, the worship team, Pastor Derek, Awaken, and the prayer team. Levi turns 15 today and can't wait to see how God uses her this year!
- Praise God for the birth of Elia Jane Lupo! They ask for prayers for the healing of Eila's heart, an increase in her platelet count, and weight gain. Please pray for Kaitlin's healing from her C-section. Thank you for your prayers!

October

- She wanted to say Thank you for all of your prayers. She believes they are working and has faith in God's Plan.
- They has asked prayer for a grandmother who was trying to get custody of her grandson who had been abandoned. She now has custody and was able to get him enrolled in school. He is getting the help he needs. He is adapting well and doing well.
- Praise God for a court decision that has gone in their sons favor.
- Praise God that Greg is starting his new job this week. She is trusting God for this new season and that God will get them through financially until his first check.
- Praise God for negative test results!! Please continue to pray for the tests being done this week to follow-up on cancer. Praise God for safe travels and being able to share her testimony with several people while on vacation. Please continue to pray for her finances, employment and for Amy to hear God's voice and direction. She also is thankful for her new jeep!
- Praise God for baby Eila's health. She has been diagnosed with full Turners Syndrome but she has very few symptoms of the disorder! Praise the Lord! Please continue to pray for her heart and kidneys. Her heart is still being monitored closely but Praise God for no surgery!! Her kidneys are horseshoe kidneys but they are functioning well and they pray that continues!
- They had asked for prayer for Rich Meredith, the Pastor that led Lydia to the Lord. He had a brain tumor. He was prayed for and when the doctor ran more tests, the tumor was gone. Praise the Lord!!
- They praise God for making a way for them to be at church on Sunday. They missed their church!
- They thank the Lord for Pastor John.
- Praise God! Tim started at PNC Bank last week. Thank you for your prayers.

- John is seeing some small improvement in Wava as she continues her therapy. During a recent test the doctors could not see the aneurysm on her aorta!!
- Trista is thankful to God for giving her strength after a recent health scare which showed poor test results. Follow up testing indicated no problems!
- Cindy's wounds are finally healed after 11 months! She is still experiencing some nerve pain, but it is improving. Praise God!
- Elia's heart showed NO signs of needing a heart cath, as had been previously indicated! They have been cleared by all doctors and will follow up in several months. Elia is doing great!
- Wava is doing fine after her eye surgery. Praise God!
- God has been good to our family: 1) Van did not need any work when it was inspected; 2) The conference Deana attended for PA teachers/educators was awesome and the meeting she led had a record-setting attendance; 3) Deana also attended another conference where her presentation also went well; and 4) Baby boy Mack is due in March, 2018 and is healthy and good so far. Please pray for continued health for mother and baby.
- Praise God for a new job and new home! Please continue to pray for Amy to find the right church and church family in her new area. Please pray for a smooth transition and for financial aid for school.
- God is so good. Their grandson came home on Wednesday night very excited about what God is doing with the new youth center.
- Brandon's foot surgery went well yesterday. Praise God, when the doctor went in and cleaned everything up, he decided he didn't need a plate, so Brandon has two screws that will come out in 4 months! Brandon is at home and has felt great. Pray for his pain-free recovery please.

November

- Wava returned home yesterday from the hospital. Praise God!
- Praise God Sarah's surgery went well!
- Praise God for Operation Blessing, Pastor John's leadership, their safety, and opportunity to help the less-fortunate in Texas.
- Thank you for praying for Pam's sister Kathy. She was healed of the shingles quickly and is no longer in pain!
- Praise God for opening doors and for her new friends, brothers, and sisters made on the trip to Texas.
- Thank you for praying for Arielle. She is now out of the hospital, back to work, and feeling much better. Please pray for the healing of her rib, which is still causing her pain.

- Trista thanks you for your prayers for her father, Jerry. Jerry went into hospice care this past week and passed away peacefully on Saturday. Trista is thankful for the wonderful caregivers and that she was able to spend time with him.
- Vicki's father's back surgery went well. In one week he came a long way. His surgeon said it would take about 2 months for his complete healing.
- Fred's surgery went well.
- Sam's heart rate is down to 94. He had a good night, is alert and squeezing the nurse's hands. Today he'll have a CT scan to rule out a blood clot in his lungs. Thank you for praying and please continue to do so.
- Sharless is now talking to her brother again. Her husband is getting a new job. A friend's dad is being healed. Sharless is seeing changes in herself and her life. She can't wait to see what Jesus has in store for her!
- Lucy is thankful for how our Lord used her Saturday evening at Virginia Hills. God showed her that she could bless with crayons and paper.
- Approximately 100 people enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at Virginia Hills on Saturday!
- Sam is improving. He will have the ventilator removed this morning! Praise God!
- Kim had an unknown rash on the right side of her body and she raised her hand last week when Pastor John asked if anyone needed healing. From that point on Kim no longer felt the itch from the rash and it began to dry up!
- Shellie had been praying for her husband to join her at church and, without her asking him, he first asked her if she wanted to attend!
- Linda thanks you for your prayers. Her formal observation by the new principal went very well. In fact, the principal informed Linda on Friday that he told the district superintendent about Linda's lesson and he rated her at the highest rating. God is so good!
- Jennie's brother Sam is now out of CCU and no longer needs dialysis! Sam's kidneys are working on their own. A miracle has taken place! The doctors and nurses are in shock.
- Praise Jesus, Michele's doctor thought that she would need radiation in addition to the radioactive treatment and on Tuesday Michele learned that she will not need the radiation; the pathology report was better than the doctor expected! Please pray for her continued healing.
- Praise God for a job that Sari had been praying for some time.
- Sarah's father-in-law had been diagnosed with leukemia and scheduled for a bone marrow scan. The blood work performed before the scan indicated no abnormalities!!

December

- Lydia's eye surgery went well. Praise God!
- Praise God for Stephanie's new job beginning December 26.
- Thank you for your prayer support. Her daughters' father may be home before Christmas to spend time with his family and friends.
- Praise God for answered prayer. Tom's eight-hour surgery for a voice box implant went well. He has had all tubes removed and is able to eat normally. Pray that there is no further cancer. Tom is saved, but does not attend church.
- **WRCCC** This past weekend we had an attendance of 517 for the four performances of "The Last Christmas." We also celebrated four salvations! Praise God!!
- They thank God for all His grace, mercy & blessings in 2017.
- Tina's mother's hip is healing steadily. She experiences improvement each day and God is touching her parents' hearts with our prayers. Please continue to pray for her total healing.
- Altar Ministry Salvation!