

CG Prayer List Guidelines

CG members understand and use the power of prayer. And, of course, it's one of our vows! Prayers can be offered in many forms, and in many ways. Prayers can be offered in solitude, with a few friends, or in a corporate setting. Some prayers are offered using the Daily Office; others are offered in song, or just a walk in nature. Many prayers are simply sitting with someone and listening to their story.

One of the ways we share prayers is through the CG Monthly Prayer List. This list is compiled near the end of each month to be used the following month. Any member (including Postulants and Friends) may submit a prayer request. To help make this process go as smoothly as possible, and so there are no misunderstandings, we ask that you submit prayer requests with the following considerations in mind:

- Please **be prompt** with your request. The call for prayer requests goes out several days before the end of the month, and the List is compiled for distribution by the 1st of the month. Prayers coming in after the list has been distributed can either be added next month, or forwarded to the Community in a separate email.
- Please **be specific** in the issue involved, but leave the answer to God. It may be something different from what you think should happen.
- Each month's prayer list **starts fresh**, so if you want something to remain on the list, please specifically say which prayer request it is that should remain. Sometimes we get a "Please keep my prayer requests on the list for the coming month." We don't keep a record of who requests specific prayers, so please be specific.
- **Spelling** of names. We enter the name as you give it to us, so please spell it right.
- **Last Names** – It is often preferable to only use the person's last initial. Some issues are sensitive, and the person being prayed for often prefers privacy. The exception to this may be prayers for the dead. Think this through and provide family names only if appropriate.
- **Editing** – we reserve the right to edit prayer requests if they are too wordy, have editorial comments attached, or (rarely the case) when the prayer is inappropriate.

All prayer requests are considered and deeply appreciated!