



To: CPFI Board of Directors
From: Fred Eckel, Immediate Past President
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Re: Prayer Committee Report

Is it time to reconsider CPFI Prayer Ministries?

As Chair of Past President Committee I was asked by President Copeland to develop a daily prayer activity on behalf of CPFI. That activity is still on going.

Don Belt initiated a prayer chain ministry many years ago. He used to solicit members who wanted to join that ministry at every CPFI meeting. He developed a list serve that he used to ask members to join him in a prepared prayer for special needs. When Don became incapacitated Wagdy Wahba was asked to take over that ministry and periodically he sends out prayers on behalf of expressed needs. To my knowledge I don't think we have a process to update our list serve.

For any years, at least since I was President we have asked the entire membership, by e-mail blast, to join together in prayer at noon on the first Thursday of the month. Often the President prepares the prayer. Occasionally others may be asked to prepare the prayer.

These activities run independently. The questions that I propose the Board address are:

1. Are these prayer activities still appropriate or are other types of prayer efforts now more appropriate?
2. Should these efforts be coordinated under a "Prayer Committee", "Prayer Chair" or another type of organization?
3. Is e-mail still the best way to engage in our prayer ministry?
4. Other suggestions you have on how to grow our prayer ministry.

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