### PRAYER UPDATE

#### PHYSICAL ILLNESSES & SURGERIES this past week

**Aiden Clark (grandson of Carrie and Paul Clark) -** is now home after spending almost 3 weeks in NICU. Thank you for your prayers.

**Sabine Bainum -** wants to thank all who took such good care of her last Sunday at church. She is now home and doing well.

**Mary George -** had extensive back surgery last week. Pray for complete healing.

**Marvin Lawrence -** has surgery on 11/15 and 11/16 for the complete removal of a rare cancer on his eyelid. Pray for a successful surgery. Also keep Linda in your prayers as she prepares for spinal surgery at UCSF on 11/30.

#### **BIRTHS**

**Ryan and Lily Jones -** were blessed with the arrival of their son Oliver Judah born on 11/6. He joins his brother, Greyson.

#### **TLC MISSIONS**

Continue to pray for the Jordan team led by Paul Spurlock and Valerie Webb - They're meeting with many refugees, hearing their stories, passing out supplies, and encouraging them in their faith. Pray for continued safety in their travels and for wisdom as to how believers can support and help the ongoing refugee crisis.

If you would like to minister to a shut-in with a regular visit, or if you'd like us to visit your loved ones in the hospital please contact Carrie Clark 465-3368 | care@tlc.org

A complete prayer list is available at the Info Desk.





## **AGAINST THE WIND**

NOVEMBER 12 & 13 | RENÉ SCHLAEPFER ACTS 27

#### Paul goes from a lengthy imprisonment to a prison ship...

The winds were against us... We made slow headway for many days and had difficulty arriving... When the wind did not allow us to hold our course, we sailed to the lee of Crete, opposite Salmone. We moved along the coast with difficulty... Much time had been lost... Acts 27:4-9

So Paul warned them, "Men, I can see that our voyage is going to be disastrous and bring great loss to ship and cargo, and to our own lives also." Acts 27:9,10

But the centurion, instead of listening to what Paul said, followed the advice of the pilot and of the owner of the ship. Acts 27:11

Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island. The ship was caught by the storm and could not head into the wind; so we gave way to it and were driven along. Acts 27:14,15

#### Three crucial choices in life's storms:

	We were hardly able to make the lifeboat secure, so <b>the men</b>
	hoisted it aboard. Then they passed ropes under the ship itself to hold it together. Because they were afraid they would rur aground on the sandbars of Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and let the ship be driven along. Acts 27:16,17
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	We took such a violent battering from the storm that the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard. On the third day, they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands. Acts 27:18,19
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	When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the stord continued raging, <b>we finally gave up all hope</b> of being saved. Acts 27:20
	(Paul) "But <b>now</b> I urge you to <b>keep up your courage</b> , because not one of you will be lost; <b>only the ship will be destroyed</b> . Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me and said, ' <b>Do not be afraid</b> , Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has <b>graciously given you</b> the lives of all who sail with you.' So <b>keep up your courage</b> , men, for I have faith in God that <b>it will happen</b> just as he told me. Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island." Acts 17:22-26
	• Focus
	• Face
	• Feed

Just before dawn Paul urged them all to eat. "For the last fourteen days," he said, "you have been in constant suspense and have gone without food—you haven't eaten anything. Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive. Not one of you will lose a single hair from his head." After he said this, he took some bread and gave thanks to God in front of them all. Then he broke it and began to eat. They were all encouraged and ate some food themselves. Acts 17:33-36

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