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*"I love the Lord, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live." ~ Psalm 116: 1-2*

- ☛ We are looking forward to the **arrival of students on September 13 & 14**. Enrollment projections for the fall semester are larger than any previous year. Praise God with us, and please welcome the new students with your prayers!
- ☛ The Administrative Counsel: **Jeremy Miller**, President; **Matt Showalter**, Academic Dean; and **Aaron Miller**, Dean of Students, are tasked with making decisions and adjustments that affect the health and well-being of the campus community. A special "overflow" dorm room for young men is being prepared in the classroom building. Pray for God's wisdom, protection, and grace to walk in clarity and humility.
- ☛ As you pray for a good **staff and faculty orientation on September 10**, praise God for the warm and cordial working relationships we enjoy.
- ☛ Pray that **student move-in and orientation on September 15 & 16** will go smoothly, and that both new and returning students will acclimate quickly to each other and to the daily schedule.
- ☛ A new school year means a new student RDA team that arrives **September 8** for orientation and planning. Pray for **Noah Hochstetler**, Men's RD; **Clara Weaver**, Women's RD; **Jaxon Miller** and **Chris Yoder**, Men's RAs; and **Abigail Olmstead** and **Alta Horst**, Women's RAs. Pray for smooth working relationships and caring hearts that set a positive tone for the whole campus community.
- ☛ Fall semester classes begin **September 17**. Remember the **first semester teachers**: Jeff Miller, Matt Showalter, Ken Miller, Phil Weber, Reuben Sairs, Rich Peachey, Emilie Yoder, Dion Gingerich, Jon Showalter, Vicki Sairs, and Rhoda Sommers as they finish preparing class materials and kick off their fall classes. Emilie Yoder is a new faculty member, teaching Introduction to Psychology for the first time.
- ☛ Remember **Shelley Spires**, Director of Food Services, as she plans menus and orders food for the upcoming school year. **Ellen Byler** is coming on as the new assistant cook.
- ☛ Pray for the 12 first- and second-year students who are in the midst of the three-week **Akwachink** leadership training and wilderness adventure in Canada, **August 24-September 13**).
- ☛ Praise God for the **new Drama Director, Malia Mullen**, assisted by **Heather Maust**, Registrar. Pray for this team as they select a drama and begin to audition students for the fall production during the Parents & Associates weekend, Nov. 10-12.
- ☛ Continue praying that God will provide the **rest of the funds (approximately \$500,000)** needed so we can build the new dorm debt-free. Meanwhile, we're beginning to acquire furnishings—washers and driers, beds, etc. from other colleges that are closing.