# Mark Morrison Prayer Letter

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# Where do we go from here?

Some of you may have heard that I have retired — well, it is more like I'm semi-retired. So does that mean we are moving, downsizing, traveling the world? NO, in many ways we continuing to live as we have for many years. What has happened is that I am not actively serving as a church planter. However, I am involved with two church plants as a member of our oversight team which we call TLT — Transitional Leadership Team. My main task is to serve part-time as Development Manager for Church Extension Ministries.

## What does it mean to serve with Church Extension as

## **Development Manager?**

- *Passion for church planting* It is my desire to make as many contacts as possible to share the biblical mandate for planting churches.
- *Donor relations* I am reaching out to those who have supported our ministry to share what God is doing in our church plants.
- *Church relations* It is my desire to encourage churches to see opportunities to plant churches and to support our church planting missionaries.
- *Prayer support PRAY* that we would see new people and conversions in the mission churches. *PRAY for* our church planters and their families.

Thank you for supporting me over the years. Thank you for your continued support as I continue serving with Church Extension part-time as Development Manager, as well as serving on the board.

Church planting must focus on birthing churches. We desire to see our mission churches become healthy particular churches. In order to continue to make it our mission to multiply, Church Extension must continue to plan for ways to financially support our mission churches.

#### Ministry News



On April 16, 2023, I completed my time serving as a church planter at Elverson, PA with CROSSroads BFC. In the fall of 2018, we began our ministry with the remnant group of 12 people. By God's grace we saw this body grow to over 30, and we thank God for this loving group of believers. We are eagerly anticipating what God is going to do through the leadership of Tim Radcliff. I am praying that they will be able to graduate from being a mission church to being a self– sustaining particular church in 2025.

### ~ Family News ~

Barb and I are enjoying being home more often and now able to attend our home church, Ephrata Bible Fellowship Church.

Most of you know that Barb was diagnosed at this time last year with breast cancer. This was the second type of cancer in four years, so it has been another year of literally walking by faith. There are so many decisions facing cancer patients, so it is with much physical difficulties (two operations, adverse reactions to both supplements & drugs) and more questions that we have faced this past year. In the midst of this, she has had responsibilities as executor of her parent's estate and continues to care for her mother's sister, Aunt Veda, in our home. This spring, she also did homeschooling evaluations and achievement testing for families. She attributes this to her Great Physician and integrated cancer protocols.

Ben continues to work at Eurofins Lancaster Laboratories as a Senior Chemist, and Angela teaches preschool for Lancaster Mennonite School. Nate and his wife, Rachel, live near Keene, New Hampshire. Nate is working as a videographer, and Rachel works full-time for Ashby and Gabriel, a marketing agency. They are buying a house and are expecting their first child—Yes, our first grandchild!

We thank God that as a family we celebrated my Dad's 100 birthday in March —we are so blessed!



Nate and Rachel Morrison



Angela and Ben Morrison