



COLLEGE CHURCH
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WE BELIEVE GOD WORKS THROUGH PRAYER

In this guide, you will learn about College Church's supported ministry partners and become better equipped to pray for them. We believe that God works through prayer, and we invite you to participate in his mighty plan for the world in this way.

The prayer guide is arranged into two sections: 1) Global Workers and 2) Global Partners. Please join us in asking the Lord for strength, wisdom, endurance, faithfulness and fruitfulness for both the individuals and institutions in this prayer guide.

We invite you to read through this guide in its entirety, as you pray for a ministry partner each day. Also, you might consider receiving the newsletter of a particular individual, personally connecting with them or supporting them. If you would like to get in touch with any of our ministry partners, our staff is more than happy to connect you. Please email missions@college-church.org or call (630) 668-0878.

May the Lord bless you as you seek him in prayer.

I PRAY that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. EPHESIANS 1:18-19 (NIV)

Our Missions Family

91 career missionary units

2 midterm missionary units (3 months to 3 years)

5 missions associates

Serving in **41** different countries



NORTH AMERICA
31 CAREER
4 MA

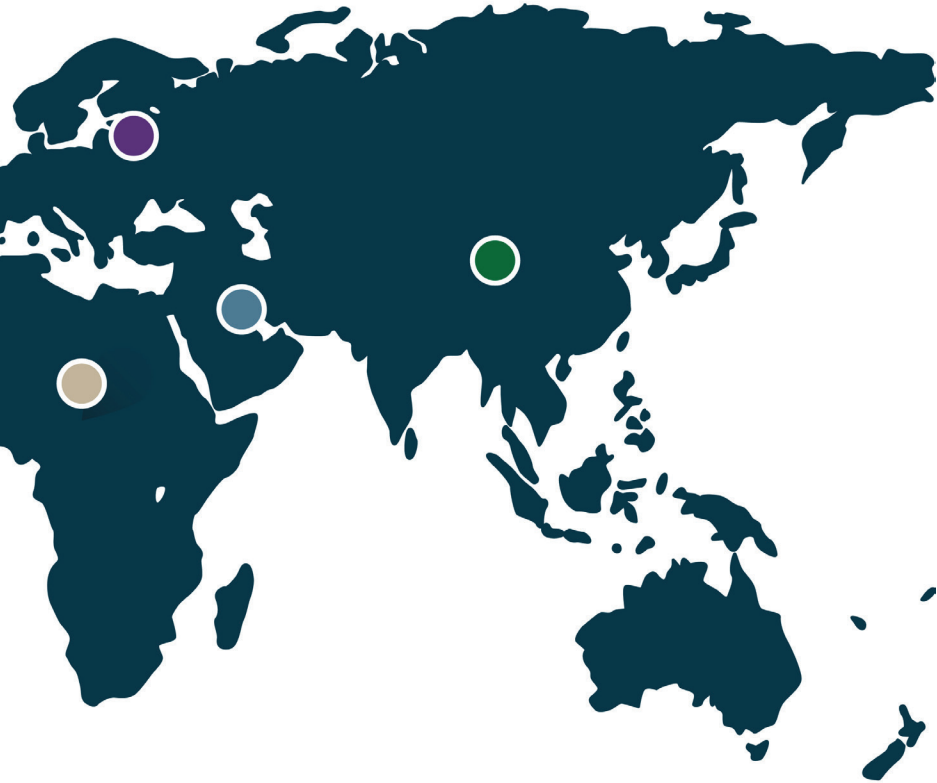


LATIN AMERICA
10 CAREER



EUROPE
17 CAREER

AFTER THIS I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" **REVELATION 7:9-10**



AFRICA
8 CAREER
1 MIDTERM

**MIDDLE EAST/
NORTH AFRICA
(MENA)**
10 CAREER

ASIA
16 CAREER

Missionaries by Region

*Missions Associate
(*prayer support only*)

● NORTH AMERICA

Albright, Dick
Baur, Phil & Ann
Beasley, Norm & Cathy
Blackburn, Brian & Warrie
Bradley, Karen
Cole, Curt & Karen
Deyneka, Anita*
Duttweiler, Rod & Kathy
Greeson, Joe & Holly
Haley, Jon & Kathy
Hansen, Jim & Kathy
Hawkins, Scott & Jenny*
Kelly, Todd & Sue
Krogh, Steve & Lois
Maust, John & Elsa
McAuley, Thad & Joy
McKinley, Rick & Janice
Miller, Terri (Matt)
Pelz, Jeff & Jane
Perlman, Susan
Romero, Marcos & Mariana
Sattler, Tim (Judy)
Smith, Phil & Jessica
Smith, Tim & Deanna*
Sprenger, Mike & Carol Beth
Tahear, Emmanuel & Adugna
Wickberg, John & Vivi*
WATCH (8)

● **LATIN AMERICA**

Becker, Robbie & Lauren
Befus, Matt & Lisa
Blumhofer, Judy
Bradley, Kyle (Dariana)
Cox, Steve & Mirian
Dresselhaus, Steve & Lois
Hurst, Greg & Faith
Simons, Jon & Teresa
Trautwein, Victor & Leslie
VanDerMolen, Jeff & Ann

● **EUROPE**

Beck, Nathan & Vera
Davis, Giles & Debbie
Dunckel, Joshua & Kara
Faber, Bob & Becky
Harris, Jonathan & Amy
Hatcher, Jim & Lynette
Klopfenstein, Sara (Manu)
Lundell, Mihai & Tamara
Miller, Kristiana (Cory)
Nichols, Greg & Debby
Okoro, Stanley (Marjorie)
Otten, Jeremy & Christy
Sánchez, José Pablo & Jane
Stough, Isaac & Jennifer
Warner, Charley & Cheryl
Wiebe, Chad & Leanna
WATCH (1)

● **ASIA**

Finn, Jake & Honah
Hershberger, Jeff & Tamara
Pardue, Steve & Teri
Pehrson, Ben & Mandy
Waldrop, John & Esther
Warner, Melissa
WATCH (10)

● **MIDDLE EAST/ NORTH AFRICA (MENA)**

WATCH (10)

● **AFRICA**

Avery, Tim & Carol
Duttweiler, Caleb & Marisa
Gieser, Jim & Julianna
Rigby, Stephen & Karis
Stough, Bill & Laurie
Viands, Jamie & Kim
Yin, Elena
WATCH (1)

Missionaries by Ministry Focus

*Missions Associate
(*prayer support only*)

ADMINISTRATION & ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Baur, Phil & Ann
Beasley, Norm & Cathy
Befus, Matt & Lisa
Blackburn, Brian & Warrie
Cole, Curt & Karen
Deyneka, Anita*
Duttweiler, Rod & Kathy
Faber, Bob & Becky
Maust, John & Elsa
McAuley, Thad & Joy
Miller, Terri (Matt)
Perlman, Susan
Romero, Marcos & Mariana
Smith, Phil & Jessica
Wickberg, John & Vivi*
Yin, Elena
WATCH (3)

CHURCH PLANTING & LEADERSHIP

Dresselhaus, Steve & Lois
Hershberger, Jeff & Tamara
Hurst, Greg & Faith
Okoro, Stanley (Marjorie)
WATCH (2)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Blumhofer, Judy
Klopfenstein, Sara (Manu)
Stough, Bill & Laurie
Trautwein, Victor & Leslie
VanDerMolen, Jeff & Ann
WATCH (3)

EDUCATION

Becker, Robbie & Lauren
WATCH (2)

EVANGELISM, DISCIPLESHIP & TRAINING

Beck, Nathan & Vera
Bradley, Kyle (Dariana)
Cox, Steve & Mirian
Davis, Giles & Debbie
Dunckel, Joshua & Kara
Duttweiler, Caleb & Marisa
Harris, Jonathan & Amy
Hatcher, Jim & Lynette
Hawkins, Scott & Jenny*
McKinley, Rick & Janice
Nichols, Greg & Debby
Pelz, Jeff & Jane
Rigby, Stephen & Karis
Sánchez, José Pablo & Jane
Stough, Isaac & Jennifer
Tahear, Emmanuel & Adugna
WATCH (10)

MEMBER CARE

Finn, Jake & Honah
Greeson, Joe & Holly
Dan & Beth
Lundell, Mihai & Tammy
Miller, Kristiana (Cory)
Smith, Tim & Deanna*
Sprenger, Mike & Carol Beth
Warner, Charley & Cheryl
Warner, Melissa
WATCH (2)

MOBILIZATION

Hansen, Jim & Kathy
Wiebe, Chad & Leanna

TRAINING NATIONAL LEADERS (GLOBAL)

Avery, Tim & Carol
Otten, Jeremy & Christy
Pardue, Steve & Teri
Simons, Jon & Teresa
Viands, Jamie & Kim
Waldrop, John & Esther
WATCH (1)

TRAINING NATIONAL LEADERS (U.S. BASED)

Albright, Dick
Haley, Jon & Kathy
Kelly, Todd & Sue
Krogh, Steve & Lois
Sattler, Tim (Judy)
WATCH (1)

TRANSLATION

Bradley, Karen
Jeff & Irene
Pehrson, Ben & Mandy
Wickberg, John & Vivi*
WATCH (1)

DICK ALBRIGHT



serves with Training Leaders International (TLI) as an international trainer. Dick mentors and leads teams of theological trainers to bring training in expository preaching to pastors and church leaders around the world. National pastors gather for a series of week-long workshops and then develop their own strategies for teaching what they have learned to other pastors. TLI's curriculum emphasizes hermeneutics and expository preaching along with practical application of each lesson.

- *Pray for Dick to grow closer to the Lord as he prepares for training workshops in various countries.*
- *Pray for pastors to be strengthened and encouraged in their ability to handle God's Word faithfully.*

TIM & CAROL AVERY



work with Pioneers International in Nairobi, Kenya. Tim serves as publishing director for Ekklesia Afrika, a local ministry that exists to supply the African church with sound theological resources. As part of that role, Tim helps African pastors write books for East Africa and beyond. He also teaches part-time in a local seminary. Tim and Carol are members of a local church.

- *Pray for the Lord's grace in marriage, parenting and homeschooling.*
- *Pray for the Avery family to bless and be blessed in the life of their local church.*
- *Pray for the publishing and seminary work to build up the church in East Africa.*

PHIL & ANN BAUR



serve on the executive team of Pioneers International (PI) USA, whose vision is to see churches planted among unreached people groups around the globe. While most of their time is spent at the home office in Orlando, Florida, their work takes them around the U.S. and the world to provide logistical and administrative support for PI workers.

- *Praise God the number of applications to Pioneers for full-time missionaries is increasing this year.*
- *Pray for refugees fleeing their homes that they would land where the gospel is proclaimed.*

NORM & CATHY BEASLEY



are with Wycliffe Bible Translators/Summer Institute of Linguistics. Norm serves as director for global security risk management services. He trains missionaries to assess and avoid risk, plan for contingencies and ensure that members are cared for during and after a crisis. He is also an investigator on the team that works to protect missionary children. Norm networks with many

missions organizations and interacts with multiple government agencies, building relationships to partner with them in the event of a crisis.

- *Pray for Norm as he assists leadership in making risk-aware and risk-wise staffing decisions.*
- *Pray for wisdom as Norm seeks to maintain healthy relationships at home while traveling and training.*
- *Pray for Cathy as she supports Norm in his role as well as their adult children.*

NATHAN & VERA BECK



are involved in a ministry of God's Word through small group Bible studies, teaching, training, ministry coaching and preaching. They love to help people fall in love with Jesus through his Word as they learn to

carefully respond to him in obedience. It is their great joy to see disciples equipped and released to ministry. God has given them open doors for ministry both nearby and across Europe.

- *Pray that God would open Czech hearts to know Jesus as the way, the truth and the life.*
- *Pray that God would raise up and send out many workers into his harvest field.*
- *Pray for their children—for protection, spiritual growth, strong faith and discernment.*

ROBBIE & LAUREN BECKER



dream to see Colombia transformed from a mission field to a missions force. They want to see Colombians raised up, trained and sent out to the unreached peoples of the world. They have been working at a Christian school in Bogotá, teaching Bible and discipling high school students for over a decade. They will be taking a year off for some

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intense training in Western Asia and plan to return to Colombia better equipped to train Colombians to be missionaries to the unreached.

- *Pray that God would use them to raise up Colombian laborers for the harvest (Luke 10:2).*
- *Pray that God would provide clear direction for their ministry starting the summer of 2025.*
- *Pray for the needed financial provision.*

MATT & LISA BEFUS



serve through Christian education in Costa Rica at La Palabra de Vida, a Christian school serving 330 national students from daycare through high school. Lisa and Matt also serve with Mesa Global (formerly United World Mission) as regional leaders for Central America and the Caribbean.

- *Praise that Matt and Lisa are learning a lot about what it means to be regional leaders.*
- *Pray that they would be attentive to God's leading as they seek to equip servant leaders and promote a flourishing church in their region.*

BRIAN & WARRIE BLACKBURN



are celebrating 30 years of service with Mercy Ships. Mercy Ships aspires to follow the model of Jesus to bring hope and healing to the world's forgotten poor, specifically through the provision of medical care to the people of Africa. Brian and Warrie have served onboard the Anastasis, Africa Mercy and at headquarters. Warrie serves in the chaplaincy department and Brian with the Mercy Ships Academy, a school for children of volunteer crew members.

- *Pray that Brian and Warrie would have wisdom in ministry and parenting.*
- *Pray for effective ministry for the Africa Mercy and the Global Mercy in Africa.*
- *Pray for an increasing number of volunteers to serve with Mercy Ships.*

JUDY BLUMHOFER



works with vulnerable children and families to share the love, healing and hope of Jesus. Currently she spreads the love of Christ by offering pediatric medical care for the local community, partnering with the local school to provide care for special needs students and foster care. She is a licensed foster parent and collaborates with foster care ministries to provide logistical care and support.

- *Pray for opportunities to share Jesus with her neighbors and community.*
- *Pray for wisdom, stamina and encouragement for the foster parents in her community.*
- *Pray for the students at VIDA Christian Academy to come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.*

KAREN BRADLEY



with Wycliffe Bible Translators, serves on the Summer Institute of Linguistics English team. This team comes alongside international colleagues to help them reach the level of English they need for their tasks in Bible translation.

- *Please pray for her team and her students to joyfully depend on the Lord as they serve him.*
- *Praise the Lord for in-person teaching opportunities in Madagascar and Kenya.*
- *Pray for the Good Shepherd to continue gently guiding Karen and her family.*

KYLE BRADLEY (DARIANA)



serve with GO Ministries in the Dominican Republic. Their focus is sports outreach where they help develop full-time Dominican and Haitian coaches. GO Sports' mission is to empower local leaders to make disciples through sports. It seeks to provide positive role models and mentorships that create opportunities for discipleship. Kyle is the lead director of GO Sports,

where he helps to guide the culture, vision and mission for the ministry. Dariana oversees the girls' basketball academy. The Bradleys' mentorship of local leaders serves as the fuel for coaches to have a Christ-centered impact on more than 1,100 athletes that participate in daily sports academies.

- *Pray for the kids connected with GO to be drawn to the love of Jesus and come to saving faith in him.*
- *Pray for Kyle and Dariana as they serve and bring up their children in the love of the Lord.*

CURT & KAREN COLE



are based in Kansas City, Missouri. Curt is the chief operating officer/vice president of personnel for Avant Ministries. His passion is the health of Avant's 450 global missionaries. He also serves on the international leadership team which strategically

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places church-planting teams in unreached places. Karen serves as part of the missionary kid (MK) care team. She helps care for MKs during training events and coaches new missionary families on educational options for their children.

- *Pray for new missionaries whom they coach and train. Many of them are from Latin America.*
- *Pray for Karen as she serves families with very limited schooling options.*
- *Pray for the increasing challenges with visas in limited access countries.*

STEVE & MIRIAN COX



serve at Word of Life Bible Seminary in Brazil. They head up the program for married students, working closely with 30 families through discipleship, teaching, hosting and administrative work. Their goal is to show couples how they can involve their whole family in ministries without hurting the family relationships. Together they are involved in a local church, where they serve as spiritual leaders.

- *Pray that the Lord would strengthen Steve and Mirian daily with joy to interact with the couples in their ministry.*
- *Praise God that the seminary has been run almost completely by Brazilian staff for more than 40 years.*

GILES & DEBBIE DAVIS



serve with SEND and partner with the Spanish church to reach youth, disciple them and train their leaders. Debbie is the national youth coordinator for the FIEIDE (Evangelical Free Church in Spain). She oversees regional leaders and plans regional and national events for the youth and their leaders that belong to the 100+ churches of FIEIDE. Giles is a published author, a discipler of ten young men, a youth leader trainer and a conference speaker invited to speak with youth all over the nation.

- *Pray for God to guide in their sabbatical starting in November after 20 years as missionaries.*
- *Pray that God would open the eyes of Spain's youth to the lies their society is telling them.*
- *Pray that the church in Spain will grow in making disciples who make disciples.*

ANITA DEYNEKA

(Missions Associate)



works with Mission Eurasia, serving primarily with A Family for Every Orphan (AFFEO), an organization that works to place orphans and vulnerable children into caring Christian families within their birth countries. AFFEO helps to further alliances between churches and organizations. The church is the center of this ministry; however, for children to receive the

best care possible, it is essential to connect with government, social and judicial workers. She also travels to countries where the movement for A World Without Orphans has spread since it originated in Ukraine.

- *Pray for wisdom to know how to best support and love the increased number of Ukrainian orphans.*
- *Pray that she would rejoice in the Lord for the work he has given her to do.*

STEVE & LOIS DRESSELHAUS



serve with TEAM in La Paz, Mexico. They desire to see Mexicans come to Christ and be gathered into reproducing communities of faith through Bible studies and a network of neighborhood house churches. Steve directs a Mexican non-profit called Reconciliamar, which “uses adventures at sea to transform lives.” Creation care, kayaking and diving experiences provide them with numerous opportunities to share their faith.

- *Pray for the church people to understand and use their spiritual gifts.*
- *Pray that God will bring more men into the church.*
- *Pray for wisdom to train and disciple the believers well in their remaining time as missionaries.*

JOSHUA & KARA DUNCKEL



live in Hungary where Joshua leads the strategic collaboration team of ReachGlobal’s Europe division. His team works in areas of Europe where their organization does not have teams, but where opportunities exist for them to support and work alongside European ministry leaders. His three main focus areas are supporting church planters, missions mobilization and building unity between

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churches and organizations. Kara works at home assisting Joshua, teaching and serving their community.

- *Pray for wisdom and discernment for Joshua as he builds collaboration between ministry workers.*
- *Pray for Kara as she serves their family and community.*

CALEB & MARISA DUTTWEILER



help lead East Mountain, a Christian leadership development program in Cape Town, South Africa. The program provides holistic training for young believers in theology, identity and mission and prepares them to be light in their communities. It does this through inviting people to participate in a variety of relationally driven, community-centric and multicultural learning environments and connecting and supporting existing ministry partnerships. Caleb also leads discipleship programs for young boys.

- *Pray for God-honoring connections and conversations.*
- *Pray for wisdom as they discern how the Lord is leading them in different ministry opportunities while having healthy family rhythms.*

ROD & KATHY DUTTWEILER



co-founded the East Mountain leadership development (EM) initiative in South Africa but have moved their home base to Tennessee. Thirty years of experience in preaching, teaching, evangelism, church leadership and discipleship enables them to serve and encourage God's servants around the world. They work with training and equipping ministries to encourage church-based discipleship across Africa. They work with East Mountain to see emerging and existing leaders trained in theology, identity and mission. They serve to disciple and mentor leaders in many parts of Africa and the United States via zoom and regular visits.

- *Pray for consistent connections with faraway mentees, as some parts of Africa have limited connectivity.*
- *Pray for deeper and consistent connection for Rod as a faithful disciple of Jesus to make strong disciples.*
- *Pray for physical strength and health with many journeys to and from Africa each year.*

BOB & BECKY FABER



serve with Salt Ventures in Sofia, Bulgaria. Bob is the president of Salt Ventures NFP, and Becky leads member care for the mission worldwide. The Fabers are involved in teaching, church planting, evangelism, leadership development and community service. Last year, the Pink Foundation, their ministry to children at risk, launched Innovaid, a first-of-its-kind hospital

volunteer program for Bulgarian youth with the hope of yielding community, medical and spiritual fruit in Bulgarian society.

- *Praise God for the faithful prayer partners around the world who daily pray for them and their team.*
- *Pray for wisdom as they navigate their commitments and seek to do each thing well.*

JAKE & HONAH FINN



Jake and Honah Finn serve missionaries throughout Asia, and increasingly Thai nationals, at Cornerstone Counseling Foundation (CCF) located in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Jake serves as the director of partnerships and provides/supervises confidential and professional counseling, consultation and training from a Christian perspective for individuals, marriages, families, teams

and organizations. Honah also serves at home to support the family.

- *Pray for missionaries and their families who are coming to CCF for restoration and healing.*
- *Pray for CCF clinicians who are serving around 600 missionaries and their children.*

JIM & JULIANNA GIESER



serve at the YMCA Christian Study Center at the University of Cape Town, South Africa. Along with a staff of six South Africans, the “Y” cultivates a place of faith-life integration at the heart of South Africa’s best university to empower students for life, leadership and service for Christ and society. They help students comprehend God’s story of

redemption, identify their place in it and learn to live as faithful Christ followers in their studies now and careers post-graduation.

- *Pray for love and courage for Jim in his various interactions with students each day.*
- *Pray for strength as Jim and Julianna seek to raise their kids well and grow in love for each other.*

JOE & HOLLY GREESON



worked in member care with SEND International in Alaska and northwest Canada for over 30 years. Based in Anchorage, Joe and Holly traveled frequently by road and plane to 21 different villages in the Far North to encourage, connect, equip and pray for SEND workers and their families who are called by Jesus to live and make disciples in this region. They have a special heart for missionary kids

isolated in remote villages, who face many of the same issues as third-culture kids around the world.

- *Praise for God's faithfulness over their 30 years of ministry.*
- *Pray for them as they adjust to retirement beginning in January 2025.*

JON & KATHY HALEY



have served in Spain with WorldVenture since 1996. Their primary work is to resource Spanish-speaking church leaders in support of expository preaching through their exegetica.net website and the translation of theological works into Spanish. Currently, they are translating the twenty-volume Zondervan Exegetical

Commentary on the New Testament. Jon also teaches online courses with the Escuela Evangélica de Teología.

- *Pray that God's Word will be proclaimed with authority and integrity in the Spanish-speaking world.*
- *Pray that their son, daughter-in-law and grandson will grow in the love and knowledge of the Lord.*
- *Pray that they will edit the translations with precision and that their translator will come to faith.*

JIM & KATHY HANSEN



Jim teaches Bible at the Ethnos360 Bible Institute in Waukesha, WI, preparing prospective missionaries for service overseas and mobilizing for missionary service in churches here in the US. He also travels to South America and Africa to teach and disciple church leaders and promote missions

mobilization. Kathy is a special needs aide in a local school.

- *Pray that the hearts of Jim's students will be open to learn from God's Word.*
- *Pray for guidance in discerning which ministry invitations to accept.*
- *Pray for God's blessing on Kathy as she ministers to very needy children.*

JONATHAN & AMY HARRIS



have worked as missionaries with Operation Mobilization for over 40 years. They are based in Wales in the UK, and their main ministry is evangelism. For the last six years, a major focus of their work has been gospel outreach in a very multicultural district in the city of Cardiff. Other ongoing work includes regular street evangelism

and encouraging young local evangelists.

- *Pray for the work in Grangetown that disciples will be made among the nations.*
- *Pray for the street evangelism ministry to be fruitful in bringing people to salvation.*
- *Pray for the ministry of encouraging and mentoring younger gospel workers.*

JIM & LYNETTE HATCHER



After over 30 years in various leadership positions in Greater Europe Mission (field and regional), Jim has stepped back to focus on what he loves—teaching, shepherding and discipling in the local church and community. Jim and Lynette are both involved with a local Viennese church, the Evangelikale Gemeinde Kagran, where Jim recently rejoined the team of elders. In addition,

Jim is also helping transition the church-based theological education ministry, Biblische Ausbildung am Ort (BAO), or Biblical Training on Location, to provide resources online.

- *Pray for the Kagran church to raise up new leaders over the coming year.*
- *Pray for the BAO team as they transition BAO to offering online resources.*
- *Pray for Jim and Lynette as they focus on discipling young believers.*

SCOTT & JENNY HAWKINS

(Missions Associates)



serve with International Students, Inc. (ISI) in the Research Triangle area of North Carolina. As one of ten ISI campus staff, Scott invests energy among nearly 4,000 international students and visiting scholars at Duke University. The team's vision is that each student shall encounter Christ, bringing glory to the living God and the transformation of nations. In addition to personal mentoring and discipleship, facilitating group

activities/events and supporting an “International Crossroads” fellowship, Scott works to integrate local volunteers in meaningful outreach.

- *Praise for continued open doors for service and witness in the universities.*
- *Pray for a tidal wave of curiosity in the gospel among university students.*

JEFF & TAMARA HERSHBERGER



have been with SEND International in Tokyo, Japan since 2012. After serving in church planting for six years, they were asked to serve in a church established by SEND. Jeff is part of the preaching team and serves in various leadership roles within SEND. Tamara, in addition to church-planting support, teaches seventh grade part-time at the Christian Academy in Japan.

- *Please pray for the churches in Japan to proclaim the gospel, strengthen the disciples and train future leaders (Acts 14:21-23).*
- *Pray for the Hershberger family to faithfully assist the church in these ministries.*

GREG & FAITH HURST



work with SIM in Bolivia, focusing on discipleship through family ministry and church planting. In the church they planted, Greg serves as an elder and trains the ministry team while Faith shepherds the leaders of the women's and children's ministries. The Hursts' vision is to mobilize their congregation and other Bolivian churches to plant gospel-focused, disciple-making,

missional churches that glorify God in their city, country and world (Acts 1:8). To this end, Greg is training a group of potential church-planters with a goal to send out teams in the coming year. Faith is receiving specialized training to better equip and encourage the wives of these Bolivian church planters.

- *Pray for the gospel to continue to sink deeper roots into the hearts and minds of those to whom they are ministering.*
- *Pray for clarity and energy to balance their ministry in Bolivia while staying connected with family in the States.*

TODD & SUE KELLY



Todd serves globally with Training Leaders International, training, mentoring and nurturing pastors who clearly and compellingly proclaim God's Word in Christ to transform the heart of the listener and grow a movement of those who see the beauty of Christ and follow him.

- *Pray for God to continue to show them what he wants them to do and strengthen them to walk in it.*
- *Pray for them to have full confidence and hope, and trust that God's good purposes will prevail.*

SARA KLOPFENSTEIN (MANU)



Sara serves as a choir director with Youth For Christ in Nancy, France. She welcomes those willing to sing gospel music, including the unchurched, to sing in her gospel choirs. She also directs inter-church musical projects and helps with an inner-city ministry which offers a tutoring program. Sara's husband, Manu, manages a government-funded program for underage non-accompanied refugees.

- *Pray for her to be a joyful encouragement to those who participate in her gospel choirs.*
- *Pray for wisdom for Manu in his role of managing the program of care for young refugees.*

STEVE & LOIS KROGH



serve with Training Leaders International (TLI). Steve serves Christ's global church by providing theological training, primarily in formal school settings, for pastors who have little or no access to such training and focusing on training them to be faithful expositors of God's Word. He also mentors volunteer teachers as they prepare to teach alongside him.

- *Pray for pastors who are being trained to become faithful expositors of God's Word.*
- *Pray for Steve and Lois as they continue to serve at Christ Church in South Metro-Atlanta, that they would be wise mentors and encouragers.*

DAN & BETH



serve with SIM International. Dan is global chaplain, traveling to support missionary teams around the world. Chaplaincy is a ministry of presence and confidentiality with the purpose of helping keep workers on the field and serving effectively. Beth cares for her mother, retired missionary Muriel Stilwell, and provides hospitality to missionaries visiting SIM's home

office in Charlotte, NC.

- *Pray for Dan and the SIM teams he visits as he travels around the world.*
- *Pray that Beth and Dan would be an encouragement to their families.*

MIHAI & TAMARA LUNDELL



are part of One Challenge International (OCI) serving in Genoa, Italy, as leaders in Europe developing new strategies for discipleship, leadership development, care and spiritual formation. Mihai uses sport and member care with a specialty in trauma counseling. He also serves on the pastoral team of their local church. Tammy serves as the OCI Europe area director and as a spiritual director/retreat facilitator for ministry leaders around the world.

- *Pray for local churches to grow by inviting others to follow Jesus and grow spiritually in community.*
- *Pray for more kingdom workers to serve in Europe and for governments to be open to church growth.*
- *Pray for Europeans to have renewed hope that the world is not post-Christian, but pre-revival.*

THAD & JOY MCAULEY



are focused on enabling the peoples of Europe to grow in relationship with Jesus. They help people become disciples, who will in turn help others become Christ-followers, while growing Christ's church across Europe. Greater Europe Mission staff serve in 23 countries across Europe, working on diverse projects that contribute toward discipleship and church planting. Thad serves as chief operating

officer for the mission, and Joy serves with the spiritual formation team.

- *Pray Luke 10:2: Lord, send workers for the harvest, from Europe and from around the world.*
- *Pray for wisdom for Thad as he creates a new leader development program and builds teams and departments.*
- *Pray for summer 2025 interns—humble, Christ-centered students that God will use to transform lives.*

RICK & JANICE MCKINLEY



began serving with Missionary Athletes International (MAI) in 1987. MAI is a gospel-centered ministry that introduces people to Jesus Christ, teaches them to follow him and empowers them as leaders through the global environment of soccer. As a gospel ministry that operates in sport, MAI exists to see people come to know Jesus, grow up in him and become

leaders, both within and outside of sport. Along with international training of coaches and working with collegiate coaches here in the US, as director of international tours, Rick oversees MAI's tour leaders and leads three or four sports ministry mission trips each year.

- *Pray for Rick as he trains the next generation of leaders in sports ministry.*
- *Pray for MAI as they continue to expand and provide more opportunities for ministry service.*
- *Pray for continued support through prayer and finances as Rick and Janice seek to further God's kingdom through MAI.*

KRISTIANA MILLER (CORY)



works with the teenage children of Greater Europe Mission's missionaries (GEM-Ks), offering care, resources and special MK events for missionary kid teens and their families in Europe. The heart of this ministry is a pursuit of holistic wellness for children in ministry contexts, offering special care for their spiritual, emotional, mental and social needs.

- *Pray for the holistic wellness of the missionary kids within their care.*
- *Pray that God would provide a male staff member to expand the capacity of their team.*
- *Pray for physical and spiritual protection during their major events.*

TERRI MILLER (MATT)



serves on ReachGlobal's Europe leadership team, engaging in strategy, oversight and care for staff serving in more than 20 urban locations. She also serves as the global church representative of the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE), representing the NAE at events and meetings related to the global church, as well as advocating for the global church to the NAE and its members with a

desire for mutual learning, encouragement and support.

- *Pray for wisdom, clarity and creativity for Terri in her various roles and responsibilities.*
- *Pray for their daughters as they begin their new careers, and for one, her life as a new wife.*

GREG & DEBBY NICHOLS



serve in Czech Republic with Greater Europe Mission (GEM). Since the war began in Ukraine, they have focused specifically on housing and care for displaced Ukrainian women and children. They developed a multi-cultural team to facilitate Jesus's healing to the bodies, minds and souls of Ukrainians living in Prague and other places in the Czech Republic. Greg also trains and coaches leaders as a member of GEM's leader development team.

- *Pray for gospel expansion in Eastern Europe and for an end to the war in Ukraine.*
- *Pray for wisdom as they consider what the Lord has for them next.*

STANLEY OKORO (MARJORIE)



and his family live in Lille, France, where they have served for more than ten years with Greater Europe Mission (GEM). As leaders of a small church-planting team, their vision is to see disciples who are continually being transformed by Christ, living out their faith in the church and sharing their faith in their natural environments. Lille is an extremely diverse city where the team spends considerable time cultivating a presence through prayer walking, sharing the gospel with French natives and immigrants alike, giving away coffee and tea and leading Bible studies.

- *Praise for Marjorie transitioning back to a full-time role on the team.*
- *Pray for God's wisdom in establishing healthy rhythms and relationships in their ministry and family.*

JEREMY & CHRISTY OTTEN



serve with WorldVenture to provide theological education and counseling in Europe. Jeremy teaches full-time in the New Testament department at the Evangelische Theologische Faculteit (ETF) in Belgium. He enjoys the opportunity to work with and mentor students from across Europe and worldwide as they prepare for lives of ministry and discipleship. Christy provides counseling support for WorldVenture missionaries as well as ETF students.

- *Pray for adequate energy and rest for them and their family amidst full schedules and responsibilities.*
- *Pray as they continue to adjust to living in Germany and build new relationships in their community.*

STEVE & TERI PARDUE



serve with TeachBeyond in the Philippines. Steve teaches theology at the International Graduate School of Leadership and directs a doctoral program for the Asia Graduate School of Theology. Graduates of these schools serve in more than 20 nations as pastors,

church leaders, missionaries and seminary faculty, providing crucial leadership to the rapidly growing Asian church. Teri runs a preschool for local and missionary families and trains and mentors young teachers.

- *Pray for wisdom and energy as they balance many obligations in ministry.*
- *Pray for a spirit of unity as they work with their multi-cultural team to teach and mentor students.*
- *Pray for provision of the resources they need, especially the right people and adequate funding.*

BEN & MANDY PEHRSON



are team leaders for the Aitape West Project in Papua New Guinea, in a joint ministry of Bible translation, literacy and Scripture engagement. Their goal is to see people knowing and living God's Word, leading to changed lives and transformed communities. In addition to checking translations, Ben regularly teaches introductory linguistics

classes and has begun a PhD in linguistics. Mandy assists with administration and teaches cooking at the school for missionary kids.

- *Pray for the work of typesetting and printing Scripture portions, 60% of the NT in most groups.*
- *Pray for printing, distribution and facilitating the use of newly translated Bible books.*
- *Pray for wisdom in parenting U.S. based children: Zoe, Noah and Elle, and twins Jacob and Jenny Beth in PNG.*

JEFF & JANE PELZ



work with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. Jeff is the staff worker of a multinational chapter at College of DuPage (COD). His role as Bible study leader, mentor and evangelist includes training up the next generation of students to love Jesus and share him winsomely.

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Jane is the Link staff coordinator for Asia, which entails responding to invitations from more than 20 sister movements in the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (IFES) across Asia to mobilize, provide pastoral care, resource and supervise US InterVarsity staff sent to this region. Jeff and Jane host activities in their home for internationals, partnering with Christian students in outreach.

- *Pray for Jane as she develops partnerships—that laborers will be found to go, and ministry placements will benefit national movements within the IFES. Correct placements are key.*
- *Pray for Jeff and his team of students to be salt and light at COD and Waubensee Community College.*

SUSAN PERLMAN



is a first-generation Jewish believer from Brooklyn, New York. She is one of the founders of Jews for Jesus (JFJ); an organization founded in 1973 with the mission statement of “We relentlessly pursue God’s plan for the salvation of the Jewish people.” As the chief partnership officer and member of the executive leadership team, Susan has developed strategic partnerships with missions agencies, churches and theological institutions resulting in the sending out of more workers to advance the gospel around the globe.

- *Pray for the work in Jerusalem, that JFJ can secure an outreach center in the city center.*
- *Pray for JFJ missionaries in Israel and Ukraine as they reach out while in war zones.*

STEPHEN & KARIS RIGBY



live in Nairobi with their four children: Abigail, Eoin, Zaks and Julianna. They are team leaders for the Nairobi Serge team, where they help teammates engage in meaningful ministry while navigating cross-cultural living well. Stephen also uses his passion for discipleship and soccer to see a movement of gospel-carrying coaches across Kenya, while Karis’ heart for relational ministry and missions are expressed through her leading the internship and apprenticeship programs.

- *Pray for their parenting (and marriage) in this season of small children with full workloads.*
- *Pray for wisdom and grace in leadership as they navigate transitions in their team and ministry roles.*
- *Pray for God to keep revealing their role in the Kenyan church to encourage, bless and serve.*

MARCOS & MARIANA ROMERO



have served as radio broadcasters since 1981 with Reach Beyond. For 26 years, they have overseen KNOG Manantial, an FM radio station in Nogales, Arizona, bordering Mexico. The station's signal reaches into Mexico and the surrounding region. They seek to use all radio and digital means to share the gospel in a relevant way while ensuring listeners receive biblically based content.

- *Praise the Lord for the way he provided resources to solve the technical difficulties at the station.*
- *Pray for wisdom, so KNOG can continue to share a message that challenges the listener to repent and trust Jesus for forgiveness and new life.*

JOSE PABLO & JANE SANCHEZ



serve the Lord with the goal to see an evangelical church in every unreached town of Spain. José Pablo is focusing on proclaiming the gospel, mentoring, teaching and preparing leadership. He is also the president of the United Platform of Evangelization of Spain of the Federation of Churches. Both Jane and José Pablo serve with the Evangelistic Association Decision Spain and are

developing Decisión Academy with courses on evangelism and communication.

- *Pray for God's help in the development of the Decision Academy.*
- *Pray for opportunities to share the vision of the unreached towns of Spain.*
- *Pray for wisdom to mobilize the Spaniards to proclaim the gospel with cultural relevance.*

TIM SATTLER (JUDY)



Tim serves as the founding partner at Fellowship of the Word (FoW), a ministry that equips pastors to preach God's Word for the change Christ's gospel brings and to nurture movements of his Word throughout the world. FoW is currently working with partners in the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore, Vietnam, Australia, New Zealand, Brazil, Portugal and the United States.

- *Praise God for the addition of new partners this year.*
- *Pray for national pastors who are leading exposition workshops in their countries and beyond their borders.*
- *Pray for God to provide additional financial partners for the provision of personal and ministry needs.*

JONATAN & TERESA SIMONS



teach in Colombia, South America, at the Bible Seminary of Columbia (FUSBC), which is an accredited seminary that provides training to leaders and pastors in Latin America. Its desire is to provide affordable theological education that is founded on the Scriptures that will help the growth and maturity of the church and be a blessing to the nations as Latin America continues to contribute to the spread of the good news of Jesus Christ.

- *Pray that the students of FUSBC would grow in godliness, dependence on God's Word and desire to serve him.*
- *Pray for continued safety now that government regulations and violence of armed groups have increased.*
- *Pray for their family to persevere and grow in their love for Jesus.*

PHIL & JESSICA SMITH



live locally and serve with First Love International (FLI). Phil was invited to take leadership of FLI as president/CEO in March 2023. FLI seeks to mobilize local churches to holistically love vulnerable populations around the world, such as orphans, trafficked people and individuals with disabilities. Currently, FLI

missionaries serve in more than a dozen countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America. Phil and Jessica have four children.

- *Pray for much grace for their family, especially during times when Phil is traveling internationally.*
- *Pray for much wisdom and humility for Phil as he interacts with people from many different cultures and backgrounds daily.*
- *Pray for FLI as they bring on new staff.*

TIM & DEANNA SMITH

(Missions Associates)



work out of Greater Europe Mission's (GEM) U.S. headquarters in Colorado. Tim serves as GEM's vice president of people and culture, and his mission is to help people create an environment for growth so that they can thrive as they multiply disciples and grow Christ's church in Europe. Together, Tim and Deanna assess missionary candidates, visit missionaries,

participate in retreats, respond to crisis situations and help with training.

- Praise God for his provision of new missionaries accepting the call to go to Europe.
- Pray for God's provision for these families as they raise funds and prepare for transition.

MIKE & CAROL BETH SPRENGER



provide pastoral care for ReachGlobal's missionaries in the Asia region. They care for these global workers with biblical counseling, encouragement and support. Now living in Colorado, much of this care will be provided through member care calls, visits, meetings and travel.

- Pray for peace, grace, endurance, patience, joy and a deep trust in the Lord for the family as Mike's brother and father journey through major illnesses in the days ahead.
- Pray for wisdom and sensitivity to the Spirit as they encourage, serve and support kingdom workers under their care.

BILL & LAURIE STOUGH



have a passion for the farming families across Africa to come to life in Jesus and to see their farms flourish. The Stoughs are extending a resource called Farming God's Way into six countries of central Africa. Biblical, technological and managerial principles are interwoven and help lead some into a right relationship with the Creator God. This journey of faithful stewardship provides a context ripe with outreach and discipleship opportunity.

- Pray for spiritual bonds to be broken and people to come into life abundant in Jesus.
- Pray for strategic relationships with partner churches, ministries and organizations.
- Pray Ephesians 3:14-19 for Bill and Laurie.

ISAAC & JENNIFER STOUGH



work with Youth for Christ (YFC) in Barcelona, Spain. They both train and disciple those who attend weekly YFC outreach events, which include youth groups, retreats and camps. Isaac is a counselor and teacher at the YFC center and English Academy. Jennifer directs the YFC middle school group and runs a theater program for young people. They are passionate about helping others grow in joyful confidence in their relationship with Jesus.

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- *Pray for joy and strength for each day as they care for their young son while balancing ministry work.*
- *Pray for Isaac as he offers counseling for volunteers and participants in YFC activities, that those he helps would find healing that would bring them closer to God, the ultimate healer.*
- *Pray for the Lord to bless the work of the teams who come from the States, and for Isaac and Jenn as they host and lead those teams.*

EMMANUEL & ADUGNA TAHEAR



are missionaries with SIM Culture ConneXions.

They are involved in worldwide evangelism, mobilization, church planting and compassion mission opportunities overseas. Adugna is a career missionary dentist and strives to relieve pain, eliminate infections and give people back their smiles. Emmanuel networks with and encourages church leaders from different evangelical associations with a focus on reaching Muslims and Muslim-background believers. He also serves actively with local Burmese and Vietnamese churches and coordinates a multi-nations fellowship.

- *Pray for the Lord to grant Emmanuel and Adugna wisdom and strength in their ministry work.*
- *Pray for the hearts of those with whom they connect to be open to hearing the gospel.*

VICTOR & LESLIE TRAUTWEIN



have lived in the Dominican Republic (DR), working with Kids Alive, since 2002. Vic co-directs the operations of the seven Kids Alive schools, three residential programs and an independence program that offers university scholarships. Leslie oversees preventive medical care, emergency care and chronic care as well as the nutrition and dental health programs. The need in the DR is great, and they work hard

to break cycles of spiritual and material poverty that have existed in some families for generations.

- *Pray for continued passion and perseverance in the daily battles to help vulnerable children.*
- *Pray that the Lord continues to grow the expertise of their national staff and that he sends new missionaries for communication, teaching and hosting roles.*

JEFF & ANN VANDERMOLEN



serve in the Dominican Republic. They minister through Christian education to children who come from vulnerable and impoverished situations. Ann serves with Kids Alive as the director of the ANIJA school in Jarabacoa with 420 students and 70+ staff. Jeff is involved in consulting with various ministries in areas of facility and ministry development. Jeff and Ann are also involved in mentoring young adults who have grown up in the ministry, as these young adults transition to independence.

- *Pray for wisdom as they support and encourage national staff.*
- *Pray for Jeff and Ann as they mentor ministry kids into adulthood.*

JAMIE & KIM VIANDS



Jamie is involved in providing theological training for pastors and church leaders at Nairobi Evangelical Graduate School of Theology, teaching courses in Bible, Hebrew and biblical theology. He mainly teaches at the master's and doctoral levels, but also oversees the bachelor and diploma in theology programs, which include over 200 students. Kim homeschools their six children, while providing leadership for a thriving homeschool group in the area.

- *Pray that their students might grow in the ability to handle the Word faithfully.*
- *Pray for Jamie as he seeks to lead the BTh and DTh programs well.*
- *Pray for strength, grace and wisdom to raise their children to know and love the Lord.*

JOHN & ESTHER WALDROP



serve with the International Graduate School of Leadership and Asia Graduate School of Theology in Manila, Philippines. Both schools train pastors and Christian leaders from many of the least-reached countries in Asia. Beginning the fall of 2024, John plans to teach at both schools, and Esther plans to serve in the Partners in Ministry program and help to start a writing center for the students.

- *Pray for wisdom in adjusting to a new region and ministry.*
- *Pray for God to use the students they serve to further Christ's kingdom and build his church throughout Asia.*
- *Pray for guidance and provision for their grown children and aging parents.*

CHARLEY & CHERYL WARNER



live in Irpin, Ukraine, where they help mobilize Ukrainian cross-cultural workers and mentor a missionary care team caring for Ukrainian missionaries. They teach missions and spiritual life classes at seminaries in Ukraine and Armenia and provide soul care for global workers. Charley engages in publishing projects to provide missions and member care resources for the Ukrainian church, and Cheryl edits English-language communications for church and seminary leaders.

- *Pray for the Warners and Ukrainian missionary care team providing soul care for global workers.*
- *Pray for publishing projects and the development of member care resources in Ukrainian.*
- *Pray for the gospel outreach of Irpin Bible Church and Charley and Cheryl's Bible studies.*

MELISSA



works as a child counselor at Cornerstone Counseling Foundation in Chiang Mai, Thailand. She serves missionary families and partners with Thai Christian counselors so they can share the good news of Jesus Christ in all its fullness with East Asia's peoples to the glory of God.

- *Praise God that she has made good progress in learning Thai. Please pray that she can continue this progress so she can build good relationships with her Thai coworkers at Cornerstone.*
- *Pray that she will start her work as a child counselor with a good schedule and realistic goals. Her services are in high demand, which makes it easy to overcommit and become overwhelmed.*

JOHN & VIVI WICKBERG

(Missions Associates)



serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators. John is a full-time computer programmer and works mainly on Paratext, a program for Bible translation that is used by many organizations. Vivi continues to teach weekly ESL classes, which includes 15 minutes of Bible time. Vivi also disciples women whose husbands are not believers and meets with women who have recently arrived in the U.S.

- *Pray for John's team as they continue to support Paratext and develop a new Bible translation program.*
- *Pray for Vivi as she has opportunities to share Jesus in the context of her classes.*

CHAD & LEANNA WIEBE



minister in Ukraine with SEND. Chad is the director of SEND's missions mobilization ministry in Ukraine. He coordinates and leads ministry efforts to help Ukrainian churches send missionaries to unreached regions of Eurasia and Central Asia, where there are more than 900 unreached people groups. Leanna coach-

es young women preparing to leave for service outside of Ukraine and is involved in children's ministries.

- *Pray for wisdom, safety and God's continued provision for Chad and Leanna as they serve in Ukraine.*
- *Pray for their three grown daughters, as they remain in the States, that they would have a strong sense of the Lord's presence, guidance and care as their parents return overseas.*

ELENA YIN



serves with Every Child Ministries in Uganda as the African Field Director. As field director, she will oversee the design and implementation of all children and families' programs, making sure there is good gospel integration in each program.

- *Praise for the provision of a comfortable apartment to call home between her visits to communities.*
- *Praise for opportunities to teach the gospel to groups of women and children.*
- *Pray for the Karamojong people, a group of herders (fierce warriors) in northeast Uganda, that the Holy Spirit would transform their hearts and minds through the sharing of the gospel.*



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Some of our missionaries work in places where Christianity is not welcome. Governments, societies and cultures suppress religious freedoms and can sometimes endanger our missionaries and the people with whom they work. We protect these workers by guarding their identities so they can continue their ministry in places that need the light of Christ.

ONE WORKER serves with Global Training Network. He and his wife train pastors and church leaders in East Asia. He also leads training and discipleship opportunities in other places. They love to see people discover the message of God's Word and come to know who he is through it. With the gifts God has given them, they are eager to help pastors and church leaders help their congregations do the same as they discover how to study and teach God's life-changing Word.

- *Pray for protection in the security-sensitive situation in which they work.*
- *Pray for God's Spirit to give them wisdom as they train others to live faithfully for the Lord.*

TWO WORKERS serve unreached, unengaged people groups throughout the Middle East, North Africa and Central Asia regions. They train local ministry and community leaders in best practices for trauma-informed care and support and theologically equip house church networks. Previously, they were living in the Middle East for over a year, learning the language, but were denied resident visas. Currently on home assignment in the U.S., they are seeking a new ministry team and location.

- *Pray for these workers as they process and debrief these unexpected transitions for their family.*
- *Pray for wisdom and discernment as they seek the Lord for the next season of their ministry.*

TWO WORKERS are on a team that uses digital tools to distribute God's Word among one of the least-reached people groups in one of the most inaccessible places in the world. After doing face-to-face ministry overseas for nearly a decade, they left their host country when the door closed for effective ministry five years ago. Their team formed shortly after they returned to the States. Since that time, the team has been able to share the Scriptures with thousands of individuals who lack access to the Word of God and Christian witness.

- *Pray that the door to this effective digital ministry would remain open.*
- *Pray for wisdom as they seek to continue sharing the gospel as new restrictions make it riskier.*

JANET works with Services in Asia for Family Education (SAFE) as an education consultant for families living overseas. Janet assists these families with educational and transitional challenges they face, allowing them to remain where God has called them to serve.

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- *Pray for Janet to be a means of God's grace and help to third-culture kids and their families.*
- *Pray for these families as they face significant challenges in parenting and educating their children internationally and transitioning between cultures.*

JOAN (Missions Associate) serves in Southeast Asia teaching English using Bible stories to high school students, ages 15-18, and to seminary students who are music majors. She also teaches English to high school graduates who are training in a Compassion International hotel hospitality internship. Joan meets with several young women regularly to counsel, encourage and mentor.

- *Pray for students to grow in their faith and in their understanding of English.*
- *Pray that students will be helped through their studying the Bible in English as they pursue seminary degrees.*
- *Pray that a Muslim young lady that Joan is mentoring will accept Jesus as her Savior.*

TWO WORKERS serve in church-planting, evangelism and discipleship ministry in the Middle East/North Africa (MENA) region. They plan to strengthen, support and equip churches with doctrinally sound publications and provide basic theological training and discipleship for local leaders.

- *Pray for continued growth in language learning to use spiritual vocabulary, which would enable them to more effectively teach the Word.*
- *Pray for their children to continue to thrive spiritually and grow as disciples of Jesus.*

- *Pray that they would have boldness to proclaim Christ crucified.*

TWO WORKERS in Asia are focused on serving the church in its strategies to help people engage with Scripture and Bible stories. They do this through audio players, by facilitating the equipping of local believers to lead Scripture-based trauma healing groups and through coordination of funding for translation projects.

- *Pray for wisdom as these workers support the church to get people listening to Scripture and Bible stories.*
- *Pray for local church workers to be equipped to lead Scripture-based trauma healing groups.*

TWO WORKERS come alongside middle-class families in South Asia, bearing witness to Christ through community. They are dedicated to introducing families to Christ, teaching them what it means to follow him and supporting holistic growth in faith, love, hope and truth. Working together in their maternal/child health community-based business, they support the local and national lactation profession by providing education to a growing number of lactation professionals and support families during this crucial time of life. They are a part of a local fellowship where they mutually participate in the body of Christ.

- *Praise God for the eleven years of ministry that he has given them.*
- *Pray for wisdom as they seek to faithfully serve the Lord in each season of ministry.*

ONE WORKER is based in the States and supports the leaders of church-planting teams in Middle Eastern countries that have been

impacted by war. These leaders and their team members are from different countries and serve on multicultural teams. Most are new to overseas work. They are called to serve and make disciples in unstable locations, without many other workers. Supporting them involves a lot of travel, regular crises and close mentoring.

- *Pray for wisdom to help workers and multinational teams see fruit and thrive in difficult places.*
- *Pray for more workers from the global church and for new doors into unengaged and closed places.*
- *Pray for endurance with travel and the work of friendships in different locations and time zones.*

ONE WORKER serves as a professor at a university. She interacts with Muslims, Tibetan Buddhists and atheists in an unreached place that is spiritually and politically oppressive. She works among unreached people groups. She builds relationships with students, teachers, neighbors and whoever God puts in her path. Thanks to the Father for open doors allowing her to return to her country of ministry.

- *Pray that she will have many opportunities to speak the name of Jesus Christ to everyone she meets.*
- *Pray that the saints will grow strong, and the seekers will come to salvation.*
- *Pray for steady and faithful financial support.*

ONE WORKER serves in a Middle Eastern country. She is on a team that exists to create a system of ministries to bring life to oppressed migrants and refugees, walking alongside them to help them develop sustainable solutions to holistically better their lives in all aspects. Her team holds

one-on-one and group discipleship circles, studying the Bible and talking about how to apply what they read in daily life. The team also trains and disciples multiple refugee churches.

- *Pray for Syrian and Afghan single moms, whose husbands have smuggled themselves into Europe, to find work while caring for their kids on their own.*
- *Pray over the challenges first-time expat applicants face in acquiring their residency visas.*
- *Pray for the transition into parenthood, for wisdom to know how to love their son well and to be faithful in ministry.*

TWO WORKERS provide member care support to Chinese global workers and their families in the Middle East. They will also partner with local churches to share God's love for Muslims and support Muslim-background believers, who are often persecuted.

- *Pray for God's protections on them and the family as they prepare to launch their missions in the coming months.*
- *Pray that the Lord will stir the hearts of potential prayer and financial supporters to send them out in the summer of 2025.*

DANIEL teaches Bible and theology at Forman Christian College, a Christian university in Lahore, Pakistan. The college puts a special emphasis on exegesis and biblical theology, because this is underdeveloped in theological education in Pakistan. Its graduates serve as pastors, teachers, writers and scholars in various churches, schools and parachurch organizations. The vision is that the

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church might be strengthened through people trained to teach God's Word and equip others to do so.

- *Pray for their students to grow, not just academically, but in wisdom and character.*
- *Pray for wisdom and unity as their team discerns needs, develops curricula and grows in the process.*
- *Pray for the church in Pakistan to experience God's presence and to demonstrate his love.*

JOHN & LEILA are living in Southeast Asia planting churches among a Buddhist group of over 30 million people of whom very few are believers. Decades of unrest, with escalating violence in the last three years, have led many of them to move to a neighboring country. John and Leila are focused on living among them, working alongside existing churches and making disciples among these Buddhist people in Thailand.

- *Pray for their work among refugees and their children, that they would receive the gospel and relief in times of need.*
- *Pray for formation of discipleship groups and that believers would grow in their understanding and obedience to God's Word.*

DAVID & JAYA have hearts to see reformed churches planted among Asia's unreached language groups. They live in a predominantly Buddhist nation. Locally, David serves Buddhist background believers as a regular guest preacher. Regionally, David and Jaya facilitate a "tech & missions" organization called Upstream (www.upstreamcode.org). Through Upstream, they make Scriptural resources available in some of

Asia's tougher contexts where locals have smartphone access, even in remote areas.

- *Pray with them for wisdom as they make decisions about their children's education. Their eldest daughter will soon be starting primary school.*
- *Pray for the Lord to make his Word accessible to more and more people through Upstream's efforts.*
- *Pray as they lay this ministry at the feet of Jesus and ask him to guide them forward.*

ONE WORKER, as a part of a church planting effort among the local unreached people groups, she is working as a language consultant, helping to equip Kingdom workers with the language skills to reach the local people in their heart language. She seeks to make Christ known as she builds relationships with local women in her community and through her work.

- *Pray that the Lord would build his church among the locals and strengthen the few existing believers.*
- *Pray for new colleagues to join the work in the language consultancy.*
- *Pray that God would keep her and her team faithful to serve him.*

TWO WORKERS are university professors in Africa. They seek to develop relationships with students and point them to Christ.

- *Pray for patience and wisdom for these workers as they learn the local language and train with their organization.*
- *Pray for good relationships to develop between these workers and their students.*

ONE WORKER collaborates with Christar's regional leadership to provide member care for international workers in South and Central Asia.

- *Pray for this worker to grow in ability to serve the global workers in her care.*
- *Pray for the Lord to restore and renew workers in these regions.*

JEFF & IRENE serve in Thailand. Jeff has finished his Thai language study and preliminary training for Bible translation work and is now working toward translating the Bible for the Eastern Lawa, an unreached, Bible-less language group, starting with the study of the Eastern Lawa language (unrelated to Thai). This people group is predominantly Buddhist in name, though spiritism is prevalent. They are resistant to the gospel, but a small church is slowly growing despite persecution.

- *Pray for their language learning to progress steadily and efficiently.*
- *Pray for many E. Lawa people to come to know the Lord.*
- *Pray for Irene as she begins working on a graduate degree in clinical counseling.*

ROB & LAURIE serve in campus ministry to international students in Chicago, home to 20,000 international students. Most of these students come from countries in Asia, and most of the students have never heard the gospel before, many having never seen a Bible. Rob and Laurie lead evangelistic Bible studies and disciple believers with a vision that as these new believers move on from Chicago and likely return to their home country, they will be fruitful disciples who lead others to Christ.

- *Pray for God to open the eyes of international students and grant them saving faith.*

- *Pray that new believers would learn to effectively share the gospel with other international students, and that when they return to their home country, they would thrive as believers in Jesus and draw others to Christ.*

- *Pray for Rob and Laurie to encourage the spiritual, emotional and intellectual growth of their kids ranging in age from first grade to college.*

DAVID & MAJKA serve the Lord in the nearby cities of Vienna, Austria and Bratislava, Slovakia. The ministry focus in Vienna is international student outreach and serving in their local church, The International Chapel of Vienna. David is an elder and brings leadership to the men's ministry. Majka is on the music team and offers hospitality in their home. In Bratislava, they are in the early stages of church planting. Their main areas of focus during these months are discipleship and community sports ministry.

- *Pray their first love would remain Jesus and that their love for him would overflow into all areas.*
- *Pray for multiplying discipleship to take place in Vienna and Bratislava.*
- *Pray that their daughters Lily, Kika and Noël will grow in their faith and see God at work in their lives.*

TWO WORKERS live in Africa, where they host a place of rest and renewal for global workers. The retreat opened five years ago and has ten fully equipped apartments, a prayer chapel and a newly completed swimming pool and splash pad. Teams come for time away to seek God together and to discover the next steps forward in their ministries. They also provide logistical support

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for Africa Inland Mission's local unit. This includes remodeling houses for new workers, setting up solar systems on houses and helping keep vehicles on the road.

- *Pray that Christian workers would find rest and rejuvenation in their time at the retreat.*
- *Pray that the retreat staff would grow in the knowledge of the Lord, and that there would be a strong replacement for these two workers when they retire next year.*

DANIEL & CHARIS Daniel serves with the OMF Healthcare Missions, advocating and sharing about opportunities to engage with unreached peoples of East Asia. He is also part of the teaching team for Christian Global Health in a virtual course, Perspectives, in partnership with the International Christian Medical and Dental Association (ICMDA). The course is designed to explore, equip and encourage believers to follow the Great Commission in places around the world. He also mentors future healthcare missionaries via CMDA. Charis, as vice president of personnel for OMF-US, leads a team equipping and encouraging existing missionaries to survive and thrive on the field.

- *Pray for wisdom in meetings as they support OMF-US team members and US-sent workers.*
- *Pray for open doors into Northeast Asia, as they pray to mobilize healthcare-related workers.*
- *Pray for their family to thrive amid ministry.*

ONE WORKER is a teacher in Central Asia. She seeks to develop relationships with students to introduce them to Jesus and deepen their relationships with him.

- *Pray for God's provision and protection for this worker.*
- *Pray for the Lord to work in the hearts of her students.*

DANIEL & JULIE support the work of Bible translation through administration, supporting a team of more than 200 Bible translation and language development team members. Their organization's goal is to make the Word available in every person's heart language. The team currently has 77 active projects. They have two sons.

- *Pray for wisdom as Daniel and Julie support and love their sons.*
- *Pray for the translated Bibles to be taken to places and people who have never heard the gospel.*

ONE WORKER proclaims the gospel of Christ to university students on campus, challenging them to consider, follow and obey the risen Savior. He follows up with interested students in their villages and meets for discussions with them in his city of service.

- *Pray that more university students would want to read the Bible for themselves and be convinced about the truths contained within.*
- *Pray that the power of the students' religion would be broken, and that Christ would rule and reign in many hearts here.*

Due to the sensitive locations in which these missionaries serve, full names and photos are not disclosed.

WATCH in Practice

We assume that all mail and email correspondence could be read by someone else before it reaches our workers, and “that someone” is probably a government employee concerned about the political and religious stability of their country. For their protection, we refrain from using religious language or references using the names of God.

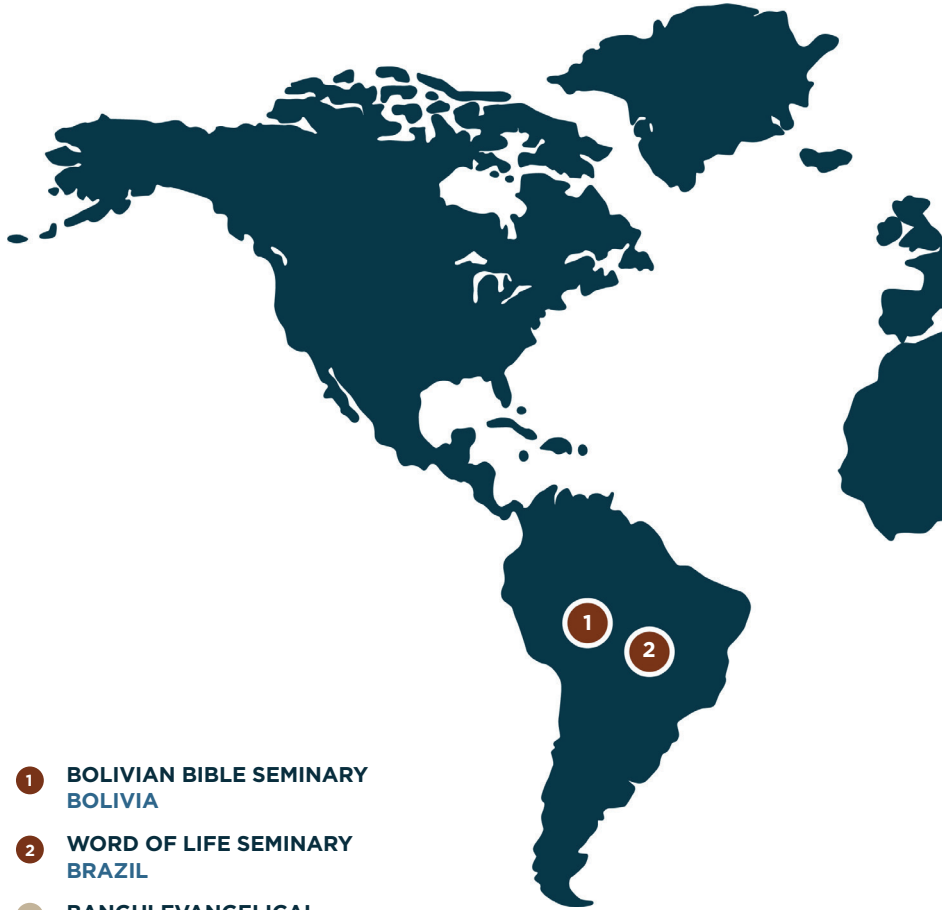
Receiving emails is just as (if not more) encouraging for these Christians, and we would happily facilitate communication between you and our missionaries serving in these places. We do ask that communication is sent through the missions office so that we can take an extra measure of safety and can have an extra set of eyes on what is passed along.

If you would like for us to email one of our WATCH workers on your behalf, please reach out to our office at missions@college-church.org.



Training National Leaders

College Church partners with **12** schools to train national leaders.



1 BOLIVIAN BIBLE SEMINARY
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2 WORD OF LIFE SEMINARY
BRAZIL

3 BANGUI EVANGELICAL
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4 AFRICA INTERNATIONAL
UNIVERSITY KENYA

5 TRIVELIUS INSTITUTE
BULGARIA

6 ODESSA THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY UKRAINE

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SEMINARY LEBANON

8 FORMAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
PAKISTAN

9 NEW THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
INDIA

The largest Christian communities today are in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Despite persecution and poverty, the non-Western church is spreading. With this growth comes a significant need for leadership development and theological training. *It is estimated that 90% of churches worldwide are led by pastors with no formal training.*



- 10 HANOI BIBLE COLLEGE
VIETNAM
- 11 ASIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PHILIPPINES
- 12 TYRANNUS BIBLE SEMINARY
INDONESIA

Seminaries and Schools

College Church partners with national seminaries and schools to train Christian leaders for gospel work among their own people, some of whom are the least-reached peoples of the world. We aid these institutions through the provision of scholarships, committed career missionaries and short-term teachers.

AFRICA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (AIU), KENYA

Africa International University is committed to training Christ-centered leaders who will be agents of transformation for the world's countries, societies and communities. They offer courses in theology, information technology, counseling psychology, business management, education, development studies, and accountancy and financial management.

ARAB BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (ABTS), LEBANON

Arab Baptist Theological Seminary equips servant leaders for the ministry challenges arising in the Middle East and North Africa - be it theology, apologetics, communication, pastoral care, ethics, society or culture. ABTS was founded in 1960, built on hills overlooking Beirut.

ASIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (ATS), PHILIPPINES

The mission of Asian Theological Seminary is to glorify God by providing quality theological education to prepare leaders who will affect biblical transformation in the church and societies in Asia and beyond. The seminary aims to become the leading evangelical seminary in Asia that produces outstanding

servant leaders through both online and in-person courses.

BOLIVIAN BIBLE SEMINARY (BBS), BOLIVIA

The primary goal of the Bolivian Bible Seminary (BBS) is to train pastors for the Evangelical Christian Union, the SIM-affiliated national church, in both undergraduate and graduate programs in Bible and Theology. BBS is vital to the spiritual health of the Bolivian church, since churches without good Bible teaching and mature leaders are in danger of losing their spiritual and biblical foundations.

BANGUI EVANGELICAL SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY (BEST), CENTRAL AFRICA REPUBLIC

Bangui Evangelical School of Theology was founded in 1977. BEST had 49 new students on three campuses in the 2021-2022 school year, and provides schooling for over 3,000 kindergarten, primary- and secondary-aged children. They now provide an online practical theology program, offering learning opportunities to students and church leaders throughout the region who cannot come for in-person training.

FORMAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE (FCC), PAKISTAN

Forman Christian College was founded in 1864 by a Presbyterian missionary

from the USA. With over 8,000 students and 200 faculty, the university offers a wide variety of programs. They seek to impart, create and disseminate knowledge and to develop informed, ethical and responsible citizens who are prepared and committed to learn, lead and serve.

HANOI BIBLE COLLEGE (HBC), VIETNAM

Founded in 2013, Hanoi Bible College exists to glorify God through serving the church and proclaiming the gospel to the communities around them. Many graduates have returned to their villages in the mountains to serve growing churches, while others are planting churches in various parts of the country.

NEW THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE (NTC), INDIA

New Theological College is a university in Northern India whose programs are designed so that students will gain spiritual and theological training as well as practical ministry experience integrated with academic learning. They began in 1989 with just 22 students, and now have grown to become the largest fully accredited, Bible-believing theological training center in northern India.

ODESA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (OTS), UKRAINE

Odesa Theological Seminary is a Baptist theological institution of higher learning that helps local churches prepare Christians for church, missionary and educational ministry both in the church and in the world, in order to accomplish the Great Commission. Throughout the last 30 years, they have had more than 2,500 graduates, 96% of whom have gone into ministry afterward.

TYRANNUS BIBLE SEMINARY (TBS), INDONESIA

Tyrannus Bible Seminary, founded in 1966, is one of the oldest interdenominational evangelical schools in the country. TBS is in a predominantly Muslim community and a region of low socio-economic status. They also work with partner schools all throughout Asia to further the gospel.

TRIVELIUS INSTITUTE, BULGARIA

Trivelius is an interdenominational school that seeks to train people to serve God through practical, Bible-based teaching. It is the only fully operating school of its kind left in the country. Students from different churches and denominations are trained and serve together as an expression of the unity of the church through both Bachelor's and Master's programs.

WORD OF LIFE SEMINARY (WOL), BRAZIL

Word of Life Seminary has seen God's gracious hand clearly at work as over the years it has grown even during the country's financial crisis. The seminary has reached into five different countries where they offer a similar experience that prepares students for the future, whether in a career or full-time ministry.



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