



# COLONIAL MISSION PRAYER GUIDE

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## TAKING THE GOOD NEWS OF GRACE IN JESUS

But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

– Acts 20:24

## FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOODS TO THE NATIONS

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

– Acts 1:8

## BY THE POWER OF GOD

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

– 1 Corinthians 1:17-18



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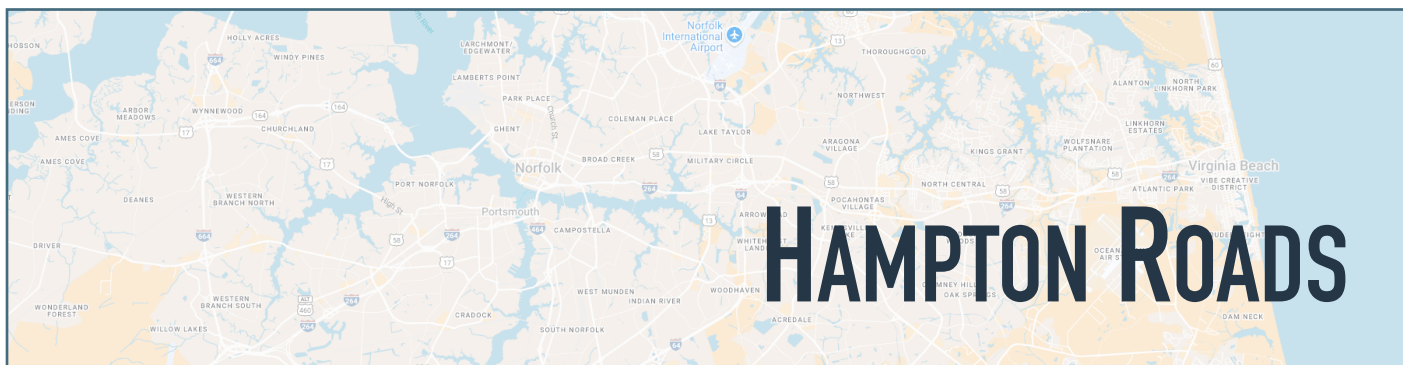


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## CEF After School Good News Clubs



### Ministry Overview

After School Good News Clubs are Bible clubs held at local elementary schools where the leaders teach the children Bible lessons, memory verses, missionary stories, songs, and have interactive small group times with the children. We currently have four teams in five elementary schools.

**Centerville:** James & Laura and Caitlyn Varner, Janice Jacob, Sue Boyette, Walt Sullivan, Robin Herndon, Lori Tise, Fred Klaren, Judi Soltner, Bob Hooks

**Hickory:** Tim & Amy Manion, John & Ruth Brush, Sophia and Daniel Vilkas, Terry Kint

**Pembroke:** Dustin & Sarah Loewen, Mandy Friedrich, Cindy Rubley, Chris McCarthy, Dawn, Lilyanna, and Luke Edwards, Karis and Elliot Seely

**Hermitage:** Stephanie and Grace Foley, Regla Moore, Melanie Seeloff, Walt Sullivan, Robin Brann, Mandy Friedrich, Katherine Brenner

**North Landing:** Magui and Samantha Luther, Nickie McCreary, Virginia White, Haven Jones, Matt Hennessey, Kristina Bowley

Pray for open doors and volunteers to reach into the local public schools, as well as for the salvation, discipleship, and growth of the children who hear God's Word through these clubs.

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## Crisis Pregnancy Center: Tidewater (Keim Centers)



### Ministry Overview

The Crisis Pregnancy Centers of Tidewater, known to the community as The Keim Centers, has been established since 1985. In the past decade the Keim Centers have served over 17,600+ women in our community by providing counseling, education, and medical services such as pregnancy testing and ultrasounds to women who find themselves with an unplanned pregnancy. They specialize in offering comprehensive pre-abortion consultations so that women can make a confident, fully informed decision while encouraging their patients to choose life for their unborn child.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for CPA as they seek to reach women online, especially in light of all the online abortion pill providers.
- Pray that the women who call will show up for their appointments.
- Pray that women and men that we serve will choose life for their child as well as a life in Christ.
- Pray that the Lord will provide additional support for CPC. Since we are serving more people it is costing more to provide care for them.
- Pray for protection and strength for staff and volunteers and that our needs for additional staff will be met.

<https://keimcenters.com/>



**Daniel & Martha  
DAVEY –**

**Virginia Beach  
Theological  
Seminary**



### **Ministry Overview**

Through God's grace, Virginia Beach Theological Seminary has been "Sharpening Servants for Global Ministry" for twenty-seven years. It is a supreme joy to prepare future pastors, missionaries, and local church leaders in the disciplines of Scripture, such as the original languages, systematic and pastoral theology, and expositions of biblical books. Our mission is to encourage our graduates to either plant or shape local churches after the model of NT grace.

### **Ministry Requests:**

- Please pray that God will grant the Board of Trustees the wisdom to oversee this ministry.
- Please pray that God will empower our professors and staff to be able to effectively minister to our student body.
- Please pray that God will continue to open doors for overseas ministry trips so that we will better be able to sharpen servants for global ministry.
- Please pray that God will encourage our students as they study, work to provide for their families, and minister in their local church. With such responsibility, it can be difficult to balance all three requirements of life at one time.

### **Personal Requests:**

- Our personal request is simple but has profound significance: May God shape Martha and me to be usable servants for his glory and pure models of His word.

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**Roger & Susann  
DePRIEST –**

**Grace Biblical  
Counseling**

Virginia Beach, VA



### **Ministry Overview**

At Grace Biblical Counseling, God has blessed the DePriests with the privilege of coming alongside hurting individuals and troubled marriages to offer them biblical counseling to help them grow in God's grace—and in some cases, to introduce them to God's saving grace in Christ Jesus.

### **Ministry Requests:**

- Pray for the various opportunities Roger has to preach in local churches, speak at a marriage conference, and teach counseling classes and fundamentals training this fall. Pray for those who are coming with the desire to understand God's Word more fully and who desire growth in how they may help others in their sphere of influence.
- Pray the many hurting hearts and homes represented in those who come seeking help. Not only are there marriages that are struggling and parents with rebellious children, but also those who need to salvation.
- Praise – we are able to work with people who desire discipleship and accountability as well as help in their personal growth and walk with the Lord, which gives us great joy!

### **Personal Requests:**

- Pray for Roger and Susann as they minister to their own family - kids and grandkids.

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**Glenn & Marci  
MONGOLD**

Norfolk, VA



### Ministry Overview

There are over 1.5 million MERCHANT seafarers on this globe. The Lord has gloriously opened the door to reach a portion of this floating mission field from right here in our own backyard of Hampton Roads. Glenn is allowed to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of these men (and sometimes women) by helping them with their shopping needs, etc. Bibles and scripture portions are given to the men in their heart language, often along with preaching services held on their vessels.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for continued open doors to the ports, especially, when a port's leadership changes. We do see more hardness to the gospel witness in a few of the ports.
- Keep praying that we will be sensitive and completely usable servants for our Savior. Lately, we have had a lot more "repeat" visits, which is a wonderful opportunity to build on previous relationships and conversations. I feel blessed that they often contact me even before arriving in port.
- Pray for wisdom, clarity and focus for us as we often are fielding multiple phone calls from multiple ships.

### Personal Requests:

- Please pray that we will have fresh times with our Savior every day and that the freshness will be evident in our witness to these international seafarers.
- For some time our heaviest burden is to see all of our 10 children loving the Lord with all their heart, soul, and strength. We are always humbled when anyone offers up this request to the Lord on our behalf.

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**John & Rachel  
STRUNK –**

**Globe House @  
Old Dominion  
University**

Norfolk, VA



### Ministry Overview

John and Rachel serve as Ministry Directors at Global Friendship House in Norfolk, VA, sharing the love of Christ with international students attending Old Dominion University. The residence provides a safe and welcoming home to over 50 students from nearly 20 nations! Together with a small staff and many volunteers, students are shown Christian love by meeting physical needs, enabling community in a home setting, building friendships, and by pointing to Jesus through Bible studies, gospel conversations, and humble service. A significant portion of their work is the care and discipleship of the staff of believers as well as overseeing a committee advising the House ministry and operating decisions. They organize the work of volunteers from about a dozen Hampton Roads churches who aid in maintaining a facility that exemplifies God's grace in the lives of his followers.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's work in opening hearts to the good news of Christ
- Pray for the spiritual health and unity of the staff
- Pray that God would provide workers willing to humbly serve intl. students

### Personal Requests:

- Pray that God would sustain our marriage and family in obedience and service to himself, motivated by love for God
- Pray that our ministry will be wholly reliant upon God as we can do nothing of ourselves. We want to rely upon him to meet our every need
- Pray for us and our children to grow in spiritual maturity and wisdom in Christ

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## William & Morgan TUCKER

Newport News, VA



### Ministry Overview

William & Morgan are serving with YoungLife in Newport News where William serves as College Ministry Coordinator at Christopher Newport University. Young Life on the Peninsula seeks to introduce adolescents to Jesus Christ and help them grow in their faith for a lifetime of discipleship and kingdom leadership. William will be pioneering evangelism and outreach to lost, disinterested college students by starting Young Life College at Christopher Newport University. He will also be recruiting, training, and deploying students from CNU to serve as volunteer leaders in local high schools and middle schools on the Peninsula in addition to serving on a local high school ministry team to proclaim the gospel, disciple students, train leaders, and develop a model Young Life club on the Peninsula. Morgan will partner with William to start this new ministry. She will disciple young women, care for leaders, share the gospel, and serve on weekend and week-long retreats.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray that we will guard our lives and our doctrine and that we will live in a godly, wise, and gracious way as missionaries on the Peninsula.
- Pray that God will draw lost, disinterested, and unchurched college, high school, and middle school students to a saving knowledge of him and that God will give us avenues into new schools.
- Pray that our leaders and believing students will grow deeper in their faith, the gospel, and Christ's mission and that God will send more laborers into the harvest field.
- Pray that God will continue to provide financially for our area.

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## Hope Haven

Virginia Beach, VA



### Ministry Overview

For the last 65 years the gospel-centered ministry of Hope Haven has served children and families through children's homes, summer camps for children, and once-a-month respite care (Recharge Respite) for families that have children with special needs. The ministry is done mainly through volunteers and seeks to provide spiritual leadership development for interns, and monthly teen discipleship events.

Several families in our church work for the ministry of Hope Haven including Frank & Virginia White (Union Mission/Hope Haven CFO), Dakota & Kristina Bowley (Camp Director), and Matt & Sarah Hennessey who have recently joined the team with Matt serving as Director of Hope Haven.

### Ministry Requests:

- For God to raise up and strengthen laborers for Hope Haven - specifically for Recharge Respite this fall and spring as well as next summer's camp.
- Pray for wisdom, grace, and patience to disciple young men and women for a lifetime of kingdom service.
- Pray for clear vision from the Lord for the future. We are in the middle of a transition and are seeking God's leading for what he wants Hope Haven to be about over the next 65 years (Lord willing!).

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**Union Mission  
(John & Melissa  
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Norfolk, VA



## Ministry Overview

1. The Union Mission is Southeastern Virginia's largest and most respected homeless shelter and recovery program. For 130 years, our Christian ministry has compassionately served men, women, and children without a home and with nowhere else to turn. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to help our guests in need with safe emergency shelter, wholesome meals, clothing, physical and mental wellness care, job- and life-skills training, relationship counseling, and caring Christian case management.

Sharing the love of God and the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the heart of our ministry. Though our methods are effective for the 21st century, we have held true to our 1892 mission: To aid the poor and needy; to reform the erring; to help those that are out of the way; to feed the hungry; to shelter the homeless; to preach the Gospel; and to rescue the perishing.

The Union Mission Ministries also include the Union Mission Thrift Store, which helps benefit and support our shelters; Hope Haven, our rural Virginia Beach campus that operates a Christian children's home, an overnight summer camp, and related year-round ministries; and Reaching Romania, an outreach for orphans, widows, and poor citizens in the European Union's most poverty-ridden country.

## Ministry Requests:

- Pray for open hearts of our homeless guests in order for them to accept the gospel.
- Pray for wisdom, and safety for our staff as they serve this vulnerable population.
- Pray for the hearts of donors as we are completely funded by God's people.

## Personal Requests:

- We request prayer for our unsaved family members.
- Pray that our marriage would continue to reflect the relationship between Christ and the church.
- Please pray for John for wisdom as he guides the various ministries of The Union Mission.

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## David & Eunjoo ANDERSEN

Chesterfield, VA



### Ministry Overview

The Andersens give the gospel to our government leaders (and the VA Capitol Police) primarily in the Virginia capitol, but also in the DC capitol. They minister the Word of God to our government leaders through weekly, expository Bible studies in the first half of the year. In the second half of the year, they are usually in a different church each weekend, seeking to strengthen the saints in prayer for our leaders to encourage believers toward obedience to 1Tim. 2:1-4.

### Ministry Requests:

- That the Lord will graciously draw our leaders to Himself and that church leaders will remember our leaders in their public prayers.
- That the Lord will bless our new book, including special wisdom for the Korean & Spanish editing process, and that it will be well accepted by pastors & church leaders.
- For the Lord to grant us safety in our many travels.

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## TJ & Jasmine BOWSER

Gospel Fellowship Church  
Saratoga Springs, UT

**GOSPEL  
FELLOWSHIP**  
CHURCH



### Ministry Overview

The Bowers are relocating to Saratoga Springs, UT to be part of a new church plant in the Gospel Family of churches. TJ will complete a pastoral residency and join the pastoral staff of Gospel Fellowship Church, which is trusting God to establish and sustain a healthy, gospel-preaching church in the Utah Valley—the most unreached region in the United States. The population of Saratoga Springs and Eagle Mountain is comprised of approximately 90% Latter-Day Saints. Today, the LDS religion is aiming to assimilate with biblical Christianity, so the opportunities for evangelism are both complex and readily available in the area.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for God to strengthen the community of the initial GFC launch team.
- Pray for the Bowers to reach 100% support prior their move in early 2026.
- Pray for the church to discover new inroads into the community of Saratoga Springs and Eagle Mountain so as to shine the light of Christ in the midst of spiritual darkness.

### Personal Requests:

- Pray for us to find a home within our budget that can serve as a place of rest for us and of hospitality toward our neighbors.
- Pray for the unity of our family and for the support of our extended family on the east coast.
- Pray that we will be joyful and useful vessels that God will use to spread his truth.

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## Michael & Julie CARLYLE

Grand Rapids, MI



### Ministry Overview

Michael and Julie work at a Bible translation society where Michael manages the Scripture Engagement Department, which exists to equip national saints to edify their own churches through the translated word of God. This includes training nationals to read, interpret, and apply Scripture, training national leaders, and working with churches to improve the usability of their Bible translations.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for coworkers to join Michael and Alex on the Scripture Engagement Team. There are two young men, Marcus and Grant who are in seminary now to gain the education they will need to serve in BI's Scripture Engagement Department. Both of them have challenging life situations in addition to the pressure of working and studying.
- **Peru:** Michael is taking a trip to Peru in January during which he'll be teaching 90 Quechua-speaking pastors. His teaching will have to be translated first into Spanish and then to Quechua. Pray as well for the ongoing Old Testament translation project into Quechua which has run into some issues which has caused the project to stall out.
- **Chad:** The president of Chad has put a hold on visa applications for US citizens, and Michael has been forced to cancel his trip to Chad in October. Pray for the ongoing evangelism and discipleship work in the Kulfa villages.
- **Myanmar:** Please pray that the hostilities in Myanmar would cease. Tens of thousands of believers have lost their homes and in some cases villages. Many have lost their lives or livelihoods. BI trips to Myanmar have not been possible for some time now.

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## Marco & Lydia GARIBALDI

Sebring, FL



### Ministry Overview

Marco & Lydia serve with the Spanish Publications ministry of BMM, Editorial Bautista Independiente (EBI). EBI exists to aid Hispanic Churches in the fulfillment of the Great Commission through the publishing, distribution and the training associated with, doctrinally sound, quality resources. Marco serves as Director of Project Logistics and IT, and Lydia is the Senior Editor, serving with revision and editing of translated materials.

### Ministry Requests:

- EBI has several books/resources nearing the printing & publication phase, which is the most expensive. Pray for funding so the projects finish on time
- EBI will be translating and publishing the NTEC commentary series, starting with Matthew and Romans, to make them available to Spanish speakers worldwide!
- Pray for the Garibaldi's co-workers, including the Butlers who are on deputation and Debbie who was recently diagnosed with stage 4 oral cancer and is undergoing chemo and radiation treatments.

### Personal Requests:

- Praise: Garibaldi's have newly become first-time homeowners!
- Pray for Katelyn's salvation as well as for Marco & Lydia as they seek to raise her to know and love the Lord.

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## Brody & Liz OLSON

Colorado City, AZ  
& Hildale, UT



### Ministry Overview

Brody and Liz live in a community formerly controlled by the largest polygamous offshoot of the Mormon church called the FLDS. As a result of extreme turmoil in the last 10 years their community is now made up of former members of this church. They planted the first Christian church ever in this community and founded a Christian thrift store and youth center as a way of introducing former FLDS people to Jesus and discipling them in their new walk with Christ.

### Ministry Requests:

- Praise – After 5 long years we finally finished construction and have been operating out of our new building! Pray that this new facility will provide lots of opportunities for evangelism and discipleship.
- Praise – God provided great opportunities for ministry during the 4th of July activities in Colorado City through our float in the parade, carnival booths for the kids and Bible trivia booth, and an opportunity to preach the gospel!
- A very musically talented family left the church recently and while people in the church have stepped up to fill the void, we are looking for a music/ worship leader for our church. Pray that God will provide.
- Pray for a young lady who recently gave her life to Christ and wants to be baptized. She is the daughter of the most notorious thug in our community. Pray that the impossible happens and her father comes to church to watch his daughter get baptized.

### Personal Requests:

- Please pray for wisdom regarding school for our children.

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## Jonathan & Sarah RINKER

Mount Hope, WV



### Ministry Overview

We serve the advance of the gospel for the glory of God through theological ministry training at Appalachian Bible College to equip the next generation of church leaders.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for Jon and Sarah to effectively redeem summer time to complete projects and prepare for the fall school year.
- Pray for the Lord to call servants to train for ministry at places like Appalachian Bible College and VBTS.

### Personal Requests:

- Pray for our four young adult children to grow in Christ and walk wisely as they seek the Lord's direction. Pray for Katie as she studies at VBTS and for our youngest Benjamin as is enrolled at The Master's University in California.
- For our children to seek the Lord as they make decisions of early adulthood.

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# EUROPE



**Joanna  
GREENSTREET**  
Toulon, France



## Ministry Overview

Joanna's ministry consists of serving as personal assistant/secretary to Pastor Luciano at the Toulon East church; helping 2 other churches that don't have a pastor (Toulon West & La Ciotat); and working at the the French Mission Board AMEBI. Joanna is a member of the small Toulon West church ministers there as secretary/treasurer, playing guitar for services, and several church committees.

## Ministry Requests:

- Praise: the Ladies' Retreat went very well and all available places were filled!
- Praise: we had 3 baptisms and many unsaved people were present and heard the gospel. Pray that the seeds planted will take root in their lives.
- In September the Toulon West Church will soon have to relocate to their old property as the city needs the property the church has been renting.
- Pray for the Leleu family who will have returned to minister in Toulon after finishing their Bible school training. Julien and Mathilde are fruits of the ministry and will do an internship with Pastor Luciano and serve as pastor of Toulon West Church.

## Personal Requests:

- Pray for my brother-in-law Gerard Perez who has been on dialysis for several years and is no longer a candidate for a kidney transplant. His wife Rachael (my sister) also has some health issues.
- Pray for my need of additional support as there has been a noticeable decrease over the last 6 months. This has been even more challenging as the dollar has lost some value compared to the Euro, which makes the exchange rate worse.

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**Jérémie & Amy  
ROY**  
Alicante, Spain



## Ministry Overview

The Roys are in Spain and are serving in church planting and theological education.

## Ministry Requests:

- For our friendships with our neighbors to continue to deepen and for opportunities to share Christ with them. We've lived in our current home for a little over a year now and are thankful for the openness and kindness of so many neighbors that we've met.
- For wisdom in counseling church members and unity in the church body.
- For God to grant a smooth church building renovation process, as we have much work ahead of us.

## Personal Requests:

- For ongoing wisdom, patience and consistency in parenting, and for God's saving work in our children.
- For our children in school to be protected spiritually and that we would have an open door to share the gospel with teachers & other families there.

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**Julia  
TEMPLETON**

Cross-Cultural  
Internship in Portugal

### Ministry Overview

Julia has been given the opportunity to join a Word of Life team in Portugal as a Cross-Cultural intern. She will be working in marketing, photography, and videography as well as helping in various other ministries. Since she grew up as an MK in Brazil, Julia has the advantage of already speaking Portuguese, which will enable her to jump right into ministry.

### Prayer Requests:

- Visa process – pray that an appointment will open soon in Washington D.C. so I can complete everything needed for my visa
- Full financial support – pray that I will soon reach 100% support in order to go to Portugal
- Spiritual preparation – pray that the Lord would prepare and shape my heart for ministry in Portugal, aligning me fully with his will
- Team in Portugal – pray that God would strengthen, unite, and work in their hearts as they serve



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# SOUTH AMERICA



**Dan & Beth  
TEMPLETON**

Jacutinga, Brazil



## Ministry Overview

Dan & Beth grew up in Brazil and have been serving in Brazil together as missionaries since 1970. They live and minister at Peniel Bible Institute counseling, directing the choir, and managing the 11 missionary apartments where they host pastors and missionaries. They are also representatives of New Tribes Mission of Brazil, holding three-day missionary conferences to challenge churches and recruiting laborers for the over 100 unreached tribes of Brazil.

## Ministry Requests:

- Pray for our hospitality ministry at PBI, that we will continue to encourage pastors, missionaries, and guest who come through for a visit. Pray also for our impact as we engage with the Bible institute students through choir and counseling.
- Pray for us as we continue to travel to churches across Brazil holding 3-day mission conferences and encouraging believers to give their lives to serve God.
- Pray for fruit from our evangelistic outreach in town. Pray especially for Teté and Antonia, an 80 year old couple that we are trying to win to the Lord.

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# AFRICA & THE MIDDLE EAST



## AFRICANS REACHING AFRICA

Bill & Jen  
NELSON  
Thiès, Senegal



### Ministry Overview

ARA's vision is to evangelize, disciple, and plant churches among unreached people groups across Northern Africa by mobilizing, equipping, and supporting African believers to go as missionaries to unreached people groups in Africa in obedience to the Great Commission.

### Ministry Requests:

- For spiritual growth and maturity of new disciples and house churches.
- For the seeds being planted through the social media ministry to bear fruit.
- For wisdom for our leadership team as they oversee the missionaries and their ministry in the field.
- For security and protection of the missionaries serving in persecuted areas.

### Personal Requests:

- Pray for wisdom and strength with raising two young boys!
- Pray for safe travels and fruitful meetings as Bill has 3 trips to Africa planned between January and March to meet with our leadership teams and missionaries.

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## CONGO COALITION

Seth & Darla CURTIS  
Lubumbashi, DRC



### Ministry Overview

The Congo Coalition is a ministry of New Life Church of Lubumbashi, DRC. We are a local church with a passion to challenge, encourage, and equip God's church in our region through relationship and accountability, as well as by providing academically challenging theological training that is accessible to pastors who are deeply entrenched in everyday life & ministry.

### Ministry Requests:

- We are currently working on our 5-year plan for the Congo Coalition as well as researching ways that God is currently working towards a future Bible Institute, and land that is being gifted to our church for this initiative. Pray for wisdom as we choose the land for our future ministry.
- Please pray for Pst. Theo, who has stepped into the Lead Pastor role of New Life Church and is working on his master's degree online.
- This coming week, our leadership team at NLC will be attending a group watch party of Track 1 of Faith Church of Lafayette's Biblical Counseling Training Conference. It will be 30 hours of instruction that we are squeezing in over the next two extended-weekends. Please pray that exposure to this material will greatly challenge and edify our leadership team.
- The Curtis family is preparing for their upcoming furlough to the USA this summer, where they will be casting vision for some ministry focus shifts that will position them to focus more intentionally on projects surrounding the future Bible Institute initiative. More to come on this, but please pray for all of the details involved in wrapping things up in Lubumbashi, and heading back to the States.

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## Jeremy & Kylie BARKER

Erbil, Iraq



### Ministry Overview

Jeremy and Kylie serve in Erbil, Iraq with the Mustard Seed Foundation. Jeremy serves as Director of Programs, leading efforts to equip churches and believers to grow in maturity to engage the community. Kylie serves as Head of School for Hive Christian Academy. The Barkers are members of Erbil Baptist Church.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for effectiveness in our efforts to equip and encourage current and aspiring pastors through an internship program, translation of resources, and conferences. Pray specifically for a new training program for Persian-speaking church leaders planned to start this fall.
- Pray for Hive Christian Academy to serve families by educating children who know and understand the gospel and delight in learning. Pray that God will continue to provide the staff and students He wants us to have for the coming year.
- Pray for wisdom in efforts to encourage a small number of existing believers and steps toward potential church planting efforts in two smaller cities, about two hours away from us.

### Personal Requests:

- Pray for our family that we will have wisdom and energy to serve well in the tasks and responsibilities in front of us.
- Pray that we will love and care well for our children and that they will both hear the gospel taught and see it demonstrated in our home and work.

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# ASIA & THE PACIFIC



**Wesley DAVEY**  
Lahore, Pakistan



## Ministry Overview

Wesley teaches the New Testament at Forman Christian College. He is primarily responsible for teaching Greek and exegesis courses as part of a master's in biblical studies.

## Ministry Requests:

- Center for Biblical and Theological Research – construction on the center has been finished and we are currently using the facilities! Please pray for the Christian Studies faculty who are planning the events for pastors and church leaders this year. We are asking that God would give us wisdom to organize lectures and seminars that would contribute to the growth of the church in Pakistan, and that the Center itself would be a catalyst for more effective outreach within the Christian community.
- Mentorship and Coaching – I am currently supervising 3 students who are working on their M.Phil. theses: Anil, Imran, and Ejaz. All three have been progressing slowly because of family and ministry responsibilities, so please pray that they will have skill to manage their time well and that they will be efficient in their research and writing. I would also ask special prayer for the 6 M.Phil./New Testament students who began their studies in 2024. The whole group struggled to produce quality work last year, and I felt like the instruction I gave missed where they were at. On the one hand, pray that the students would be diligent and would not grow discouraged; on the other hand, pray that I would be more proficient at helping them develop in their ability to translate and interpret Scripture.
- Discipleship – One of the privileges of teaching master's-level courses is that many of my students are already engaged in extensive ministry within the context of their local churches. Pray that we would have wisdom from the Spirit as we seek to integrate academic study with real-world, day-to-day pastoral responsibilities.

## Personal Requests:

- Spiritual Growth – My default posture towards people is one often characterized by frustration and annoyance when it ought to be characterized by understanding and compassion. Please pray that God would cultivate in me a character that is humble, gentle, and kind—one that looks out for the interests of others instead of my own.
- Research and Writing – The summer months provide time for me to work on my own research and writing projects. It is important not only for my students, but also for my own formation that I stay active in the field of New Testament Studies. I would appreciate prayer that I would be productive.

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**Sambhu & Molly  
DE**

Kerala, India



### Ministry Overview

Dr. Sam De and his wife Molly established Faith Baptist Bible College in Kerala, India in July of 1997. Dr. De serves as the president of the college which strives to produce God-fearing and Christ honoring leaders by promoting biblical spirituality and imparting sound biblical and theological knowledge in order to carry out ministry effectively. Faith Baptist Bible College offers several bachelor's and masters degrees as well as a Doctor of Ministry degree.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for the students attending the Faith Baptist Bible college this year. They come from 15 states in India as well as Bhutan and Nepal. There are also 15 online students taking the Master of Ministry course online.
- Pray for provision for the upkeep of the facilities and that the school will be able to pass the government inspections. Praise the Lord that the school was recently able to complete some significant renovations to the facilities.
- Pray for the believers and churches in the Manipur region who have experienced significant religious persecution because of their faith in Christ. Many churches have been burned and believers have faced atrocities by armed militants which caused them to flee their village. Pray that the Lord will give these believers wisdom, protection, and faith to glorify the Lord.

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**Sarah T.**

Central Asia



### Ministry Overview

Sarah is working with a team in Central Asia and is currently focusing on learning the language and culture of the people among whom she is living, and developing relationships to have a platform to share the hope found in Jesus Christ.

### Ministry Requests:

- Pray for Sarah's language learning, specifically that she will be able to master the accent so that she sounds less like a foreigner.
- Pray that Sarah will be able to form deep relationships with local women that she can use to share the good news.
- Pray for Sarah as she continues to work on her masters in public health in a local university. She is about half-way through the program.

### Personal Requests:

- Pray for Sarah as she faces cultural stress, which can be amplified by the loneliness and suspicion she faces as a single woman in her host culture and as she deals with sickness and diseases.
- Pray that Sarah would be able to gain some weight and feel stronger as living in her country can be rough on people physically.
- Pray for Sarah as she returns to the US for some rest and refreshment and well as some training with her organization.



# SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS



**Kayla SEELY**

## Trip Overview

I will be traveling with a team of nursing students from Cedarville University. We be spending 10 days serving the people of Zomba, Malawi, a community in need of medical support and education. Our primary function will be to support the Passion Center's Community Health Network – a national-led, church-based ministry. By partnering with this local health network, we can provide health education and medical resources for the local health workers to take out into the community. While our goal is to help care for the physical needs and health of the Malawians, our primary mission is to bring them the spiritual healing we have available through God's Word as we minister alongside the existing local churches and church plants.

**Dates:** February 27 — March 9, 2026

**Trip Cost:** \$3,300



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**Lydia & Elizabeth DAILEY**

## Trip Overview

We will be part of a group of Greenbrier Christian Academy students who will be taking the Gospel of Jesus and serving the people of the Dominican Republic. Our plans are to be in the D.R. from March 2-9, 2026, serving the Lord and partnering with the missionaries and teachers working in churches, schools, and small villages. Our time will mostly be spent serving in the city of San Pedro de Macoris (close to the capital). We will be working with IBEM, a thriving church planted by Daystar Baptist Missions, which now has a Dominican pastor, and we will also be partnering with the staff at the Palms Christian Academy, a bilingual Christian school associated with the same church and mission. We cannot wait to see how God will use our team as we go to serve for his glory.

**Dates:** March 2-9, 2026

**Trip Cost:** \$1,750 each



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**Ellen HENNESSEY**

## Trip Overview

This spring, I have been selected for the Word of Life Mexico team! Our team will be learning form and working alongside full-time missionaries at the Word of Life Bible Institute in Yucatán, Mexico. The team of full-time missionaries has been leading summer camps, winter conferences, Bible clubs, sports marathons, and a two year discipleship and evangelism course. Our team will be participating in street evangelism, ministry at local churches and youth groups, evangelistic events in schools, sports ministry, and visiting an orphanage. I'm so excited to see what the Lord will do in and through our team on this trip and what he has to teach me.

**Dates:** April 9-20, 2026

**Trip Cost:** \$2,600



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# COLONIAL

## MISSION ENGAGEMENT TEAM

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