

2023-2024

# PRAYER GUIDE



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Dear Friends,

We hope this resource will help you and your family pray for God's work around the world. The field workers and global and local partners in this prayer guide have been released to God's mission, and we share in their work through sending, supporting, and praying for them. As you use this guide, may your faith in God be deepened, and may it grow your heart for His world.

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# HOW TO PRAY DAILY FOR OUR FIELD WORKERS

Field workers rely on our prayers for God to work in and through them as they proclaim the gospel with their lives and lips.

Your daily prayers are an invaluable way of supporting this work!

**S**

## **RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD**

Freshness in walk with Jesus. Faithfulness in the Word, prayer, and listening to/depending on the Spirit.

**M**

## **FAMILY LIFE**

Healthy marriage. Wisdom and grace as parents. Children's education. Boundaries/balanced priorities. Fun!

**T**

## **CULTURAL ADAPTATION**

Deepening understanding of culture/context. Patience, humility, and increasing love for people they serve.

**W**

## **MINISTRY ADVANCEMENT**

Strong language acquisition. Spirit led strategy. Sensitivity, creativity, and boldness in sharing Christ. Provision.

**TH**

## **TEAM DYNAMICS**

Interpersonal relationships with leaders, fellow workers, and national believers. Conflict resolution. Unity.

**F**

## **GLOBAL KINGDOM IMPACT**

Government: local and national leaders, visas, freedoms. That gospel spreads whether peace or persecution.

**S**

## **SPIRITUAL, EMOTIONAL, AND PHYSICAL HEALTH**

Stamina. Encouragement. Regular exercise and rest. Safety. Good friendships. Recreation and refreshment. Joy!

# AFRICA

## FIELD WORKERS



1.37 Billion

As the second-largest and second-most populous continent, Africa accounts for about 16% of the world's human population, and is home to nearly 2,500 ethnic groups. Africa's largest country is Algeria, and its smallest country is Seychelles, an archipelago off the east coast.



### Mark & Jenny Ellefson

#### *Burundi*

The Ellefson family moved to Burundi in August of 2022. Located in the heart of Africa, Burundi is the second poorest country in the world. Their vision is to support indigenous movements of God by coming alongside local ministries and churches through consultancy and training.

- Please pray for health and protection for their family and for their daughters attending an American international school in Bujumbura.
- Pray for ongoing partnerships to help bring great increase for the Kingdom of God in the great lakes region of Africa.
- Pray for the launch of the first Mission Training School to train local Burundian missionaries. There are 18 trainees in this first year.
- Pray for the 12 leaders with the opportunity to outreach into schools in 3 provinces this year.



### Andy & Brittney

#### *East Africa*

Their family has been on sabbatical after needing to leave East Africa. Their business had grown, but it attracted some unwanted attention after bringing in a few larger contracts. The business was shut down by a corrupt local official who wanted a bribe they wouldn't pay and who was trying to funnel money to his people through the business. The business closure caused them to lose their residence visas.

- Please lift our time processing and praying about next steps for our family and where they may lead.



### The 5G Family

#### *Africa*

Greg, Jess, and their three boys will live on the edge of the Sahara Desert starting in November 2023. Their primary desire is to see Christ's church, fruitful and growing, in this place where it is not yet known to exist. They are engaged in full-time culture and language learning as well as business research so that, long-term, they can run a business that integrates them in the community and provides relationships to sow and, Lord willing, water Gospel seeds. They are trying to do these things while also keeping up with their three young boys.

- Pray that we will consistently grow in abiding in Jesus for what we need.
- Pray for grace to learn the local culture and language efficiently yet relationally.
- Pray for groups of locals who will repent of sin, believe in Christ, and follow the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for our boys (and us) to experience and trust our Father's steadfast love through all the changes in this initial year.



**Katie**  
*North Africa*

Katie has spent the last 12 years involved in the education of elementary-aged children. The schools she has worked at cater to the field worker community but also bring in many local families. Katie is also part of a team whose focus is to look for opportunities to engage with those around them who are seeking truth in this predominantly Muslim country.

- Pray for opportunities with our neighbors, shop keepers, friends, and language tutors. We want to boldly share when we are given opportunities. We ask for more hungry and thirsty people to cross paths with so we can share our reason for hope.
- Pray for the country which continues to struggle post-Arab Spring. We need leaders with integrity who can bring about economic, social, and political stability.



**Dr. Gina Wintermantel (Hazel, Abraham, Josiah, Cyrus)**  
*Christian Veterinary Mission / AIM | Torit, South Sudan*

Gina and Steve have served in South Sudan for the past five years, partnering with African pastors to launch Kingdom Builders School (KBS), a disciple-making school to equip both men and women who have been called to take the Good News of Jesus Christ to unreached people in South Sudan. KBS has also developed a demonstration farm to provide training in agriculture and animal husbandry for KBS students and the community. Gina and Steve's plan for the coming year was to place oversight for this ministry in the hands of nationals while they served at Rift Valley Academy where their two youngest children are completing high school. Regular visits to South Sudan to evaluate and give direction to KBS were also planned. Steve, however, suffered cardiac arrest while being cared for in Nairobi, Kenya, and stepped into the Lord's presence on June 13, 2023. Gina will continue to follow through with their plan to serve the Lord at both Rift Valley Academy and to give direction to KBS as it continues to grow.

- Pray that God will continue to bring Kingdom Builder students and that the leaders will be faithful to equip and encourage the students.
- Pray for our family as we grieve the loss of Steve and yet continue forward with God's plan for each of our lives. May He be our strength and grant us the peace that sur-
- passes all understanding.
- Pray that Gina will develop deep relationships with students at RVA and encourage these young men and women to deepen their relationship with God.



**John Philip Omot**  
*SIM | Ethiopia/Worldwide*

John is a pastor who provides introductory training on trauma awareness and resilience. He also is involved in peacebuilding in the Sudan Jonglei Food Security Project. The targeted people are traditional leaders, local government leaders, church leaders, women in leadership, and youth leaders.

- Prayers for the Murle tribe, as they are in conflict with all tribes bordering them.
- Prayers for the Pochalla South and Pochalla North Anyuak conflict.





## The W Family

*North Africa*

It is The W Family's joy to call North Africa home since 2010. Their hearts' desire is to make disciples who make disciples who make disciples and to see every corner of their nation touched by the gospel. They partner with a local house-church group in discipleship and leadership training. As they form relationships through business, in their neighborhood, and with friends of their boys, they aim to give each a reason for the hope they have and see the Kingdom expanded in this Muslim land.

- Ask that the Father would continue to open doors for the gospel.
- Ask for perseverance, protection, and proliferation for the local church.
- Ask that we would serve humbly, faithfully, and expectantly in the harvest fields.
- Ask that our boys would come to saving faith and would thrive in this environment.

# ASIA

FIELD WORKERS



4.68 Billion

Earth's largest and most populous continent, it has been home to the majority of the human population. It was the site of many of the first civilizations and is known for its dense, and large settlements and its vast, barely-populated regions.

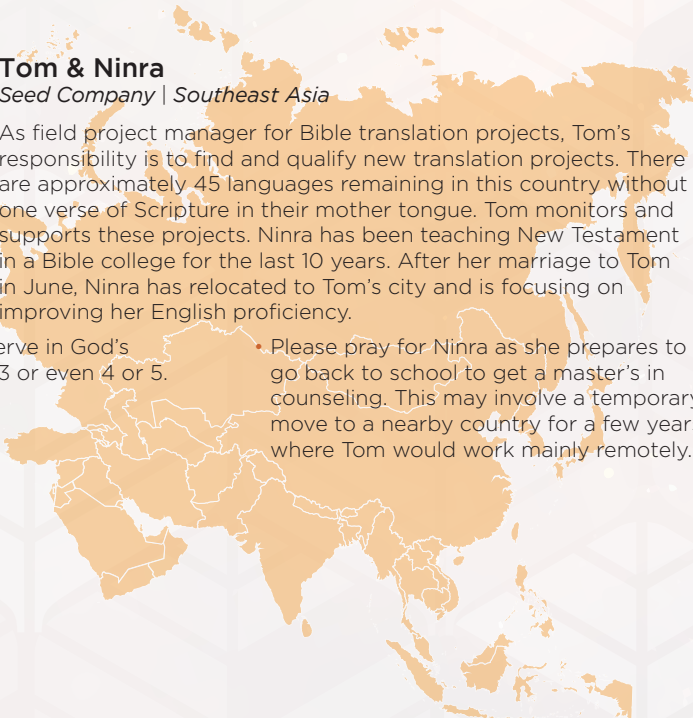


## Tom & Ninra

*Seed Company | Southeast Asia*

As field project manager for Bible translation projects, Tom's responsibility is to find and qualify new translation projects. There are approximately 45 languages remaining in this country without one verse of Scripture in their mother tongue. Tom monitors and supports these projects. Ninra has been teaching New Testament in a Bible college for the last 10 years. After her marriage to Tom in June, Ninra has relocated to Tom's city and is focusing on improving her English proficiency.

- Pray that we would serve in God's Kingdom so that 1+1=3 or even 4 or 5.
- Please pray for Ninra as she prepares to go back to school to get a master's in counseling. This may involve a temporary move to a nearby country for a few years where Tom would work mainly remotely.





## Mike & Maria

*Partners International | Southeast Asia*

Their ministry focuses on training and sending out local believers to share the gospel with Muslims and to establish churches for those who respond. Additionally, they work with existing Christians to equip them to reach out to the Muslims who work in their offices, live next door, or attend the same school as them.

- Every day, we are engaged in sharing the gospel personally and through our church planters. Pray that many will come to faith.
- We are training new believers to start house churches in resistant areas. Pray for their boldness in proclaiming the gospel.
- Pray that we will be sensitive to the Spirit's leading as we grow the ministry into new areas.



## Aaron & Bethany Gloss

*(Madelyn, Benjamin, Ellyssa, Caleb, Jason, Charles)*

*World Team | Southeast Asia*

Aaron and Bethany will be church planting among an unreached people group. In order to reach this people group, they will need to begin by learning two languages. They are excited to see what God has in store for them and can't wait to share with you all what He is and will be doing in Southeast Asia.

- Praise God for completion of our first language, and pray as we continue in our second language.
- Pray for strong new relationships in our area and our people group.
- Pray that our family will thrive together and as individuals.



## Tom & Anne (David, Annalies)

*Pioneers | Ontario, Canada*

Tom and Anne serve as nonresident field workers to an unreached country in South Asia. Their focus is on providing Disciple Making Movement/Church Planting Movement training and coaching. They desire to see a church planting movement of 100 reproducing churches in the region where they have put their focus.

- Pray that our children, David and Annalies, would continue to grow and mature in their faith. Pray that they would follow God's direction and know God's plan for their lives.
- Pray for the ongoing development of a national team that would have a passion to see a reproducing church started in every one of the 12,000+ villages in our region.
- Pray for the development of Anne's ministries now that David and Annalies have finished homeschool.
- Ask God to bless us with vibrant physical, emotional, relational, and spiritual health so that we may carry on well in this work.



## John & Lily

### Southeast Asia

John and Lily work alongside indigenous Christian leaders in Southeast Asia to access unreached people with the gospel and effect positive community change through relief and development.

- Pray for freedom for the Word to spread throughout restricted countries and to unreached groups of people.
- Pray for protection for our indigenous evangelists as they seek and serve the lost.

- Pray for guidance as we seek Kingdom expanding opportunities.

*"We don't yet see things clearly. We're squinting in a fog, peering through a mist. But it won't be long before the weather clears and the sun shines bright! We'll see it all then, see it all as clearly as God sees us, knowing him directly just as he knows us!" 1 Corinthians 13:12*



## Kipp & Anna (Josiah, Asia, Levi, Keon, Simon, Isaiah)

### Southeast Asia

Kipp and Anna help run a holistic, vocational boarding school for students, ages 17-23, from poor villages in rural areas who do not have the opportunity to go to school. Their vision is that these youth would be reconciled with God so they can be effective servants of positive influence in their families, communities, and churches.

- Pray for the health of our family and team as we have had constant health issues.
- Pray for medical care in our region for those who are less fortunate and do not have access to good medical care.
- Pray for the economy as inflation has doubled the cost of living for the local people.

- Pray for our students to truly come into a knowing relationship with their heavenly Father.
- Pray for our family in the US and in our host country.



## Mike & Rachel

### Southeast Asia

Mike and Rachel live in a major city of Southeast Asia among a minority unreached people group. They work alongside local people to mobilize neighborhood assets to address urban issues. They share the good news about Jesus so that people can experience restored relationships with God, self, and others.

- Pray that God will use our soccer program to empower at-risk youth to make good choices.
- Pray that God will lead us to people who are ready to follow Him and who will also share the good news of Jesus with their families.

- Pray that God will transform each member of our family into the image of Christ through the Word of God and the internal ministry of the Holy Spirit.

*"I will call them 'my people' who are not my people; and I will call her 'my loved one' who is not my loved one."*  
Romans 9:25/Hosea 2:23

# Middle East & Central Asia

## FIELD WORKERS

### The G Family

#### *International Needs | Asia*

The G family serves in a closed country, being the hands and feet of Jesus to those around them. They seek to get the Word of God into the hands of those that are seeking through personal interactions and the internet. Activities such as language instruction and summer camps give them the opportunity to share with others.

- Next Generation Ministry: Children and Teens Bible Summer Camps is expanding! The opportunity is here. Currently, we have 3 separate camps in 3 regions. There is a need for the camps to extend into 5 areas. Please pray for provisions, physical help, and wisdom to organize the team and program.
- Church Planting Ministry: Please pray for

the opportunity to empower our church workers and leaders through seminars, workshops, and conferences.

- We are grateful for God's sustaining grace amid uncertainties due to government opposition to us and our ministries. Continue to pray for undivided love for His service and complete surrender to His will in our family.



### Dave & Pam

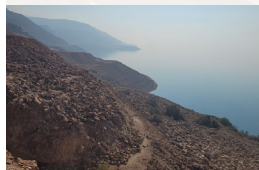
#### *Operation Mobilization | Middle East/Southeast Asia*

Dave and Pam oversee 400 national and international field workers who are church planting among the most unreached in South Asia, Iran, and Afghanistan. They also serve as Associate Area Directors for ten additional countries, building strategic partnerships and providing oversight, accountability, teaching, training, coaching, leadership development, prayer mobilization, and recruiting.

- Please pray for open doors, wisdom, boldness, and the power of the Spirit as we continue to travel and minister in these countries, especially in conflict zones and under persecution.
- Pray for 5,000 national churches to send 50,000 near- and same-culture workers to join in pioneering among the least reached in South Asia, and for the persecuted

churches and believers in these countries to stand strong.

- Pray for our children - For Rachel and her husband, Joshua, and our granddaughter, Ayyah, and for Justin and his wife, Koheun, and their children, Will and Lee, for guidance and blessing in and through their lives.



### The M Family

#### *Middle East*

The M family works in an unreached area of the Middle East, serving through agriculture on an experimental farm and through relationship building and Good Book study.

- Pray for those in our area to encounter the Son of God, for their hearts to be open to receiving Him despite potential retaliation from family and religious leaders, and for courage to meet together.
- Pray for J's work on the farm, that it would be productive and continue to provide for people's physical needs for food and

sustainable agricultural methods and that it would also be an avenue for creating relationships and opportunities to share the Good News.

- Pray for our family as we seek to live our life in close communion with God and that out of this communion, the people we work amongst would also come to know Him.





## **Jamal & Suzan H.**

*Middle East*

Jamal leads Refugee Cities Network. Their mission is to love and help refugees and the poor by providing relief, medical assistance, development, and training. Their new center in East Amman includes a medical clinic, discipleship program, and skills training. Refugee Cities Network has seen dozens of refugee families come to the Lord and grow in their faith as a result of these initiatives.

- Please pray for us as a family as we continue to trust the Lord in all ways.
- Pray that the Lord will continue to guide us in this season and continue to supply our needs according to His richness in heaven.
- Pray that the Lord will use us as we meet with many needy families. Pray that the message of hope will reach them and that we will see many decisions for Jesus.



## **Janine**

*The Ephraim Project | Middle East*

Janine uses social media opportunities to reach unreached people groups in the Middle East. Using a secure platform, she creates content and recruits volunteers to engage with people who are learning English. Using those conversations, they build relationships and share the gospel. She is also working with a national couple to reach their country with Christian messages and counseling advice over social media.

- Pray for the team's spiritual resilience as we constantly come up against spiritual darkness.
- Ask that the people we are reaching out to would dream dreams and see visions.
- Praise God for the harvest, no matter how small, and His provision for the ministry.



## **Dan & Devri Wickwire**

*Frontier Alliance International | Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus*

Dan and Devri have been sharing the Gospel with Turkish speaking Muslims since 1985, with 28 years in Turkey and now 10 years in Northern Cyprus. They are currently involved in hosting and overseeing the Shiloh International Fellowship; vetting, training, and encouraging new FAI missionaries who want to work with Muslims in the Middle East; and mentoring Turkish church leaders and new workers on the field. Dan has written a number of books, many of which have been translated into languages of the Middle East ([danwickwire.com](http://danwickwire.com)). Dan and Devri frequently give seminars on how to share the Gospel effectively with Muslims, and they are daily involved in a prayer house ministry.

- Join us in praying for the members of Shiloh International Fellowship, that each would invest in reaching others for Christ.
- Pray for our families in Germany, California, and Texas to raise up children who know and love the Lord.
- Pray for discernment and wisdom in every training program to equip others to grow in grace and in their ability to follow Christ's call to the nations.

# AUSTRALIA

FIELD WORKERS



25.9 Million

Australia is the largest country in Oceania and the world's sixth-largest country. Australia's capital is Canberra, and its largest city is Sydney. Indigenous Australians inhabited the continent for many years prior to the first arrival of Dutch explorers who named it New Holland.



## **Samuel & Karis Giunta (Iris)**

*Youth With a Mission (YWAM) | Sunshine Coast, Australia*

The Giuntas are currently serving with Youth with a Mission (YWAM) on the Sunshine Coast in Australia. They serve as the ministry coordinators of the Discipleship Training School (DTS) which is YWAM's foundational training course, seeking to draw students into a deeper relationship with God and release them into missional lives. Students engage in three months of lectures on a wide variety of topics oriented towards intimacy with God and mission. Following these three months, the students experience a two month, cross-cultural outreach to share the message of love that they experienced in their own lives. Samuel and Karis' roles include oversight of staff training and care, DTS students and courses, and outreach locations and focus.

- Pray that we would continue to pursue God above anything else, choose humility and vulnerability in a role of leadership, and proceed to grow a strong foundation in our marriage.
- Pray that those students who chose to come to our base would powerfully encounter Christ's love for them and boldly choose a life of obedience, adventure, and intimacy with God.
- Pray that we and all the young individuals who come to our base would feel the call and burden of the gospel and commit to living a life on mission.

# NORTH AMERICA

## FIELD WORKERS



596 Million

North America was reached by its first human populations during the last glacial period. It contains 3 of the 13 largest countries of the world: Canada (2), the U.S.A. (4), and Greenland (13). There are 49 cities with populations over 1 million, 2 of which are over 10 million.



**David & Kristen Burson (Jonathan, Stephanie)**  
*Ethnos360 Headquarters | Florida, USA*

David and Kristen develop specialized software to help church planters who work among unreached people groups. Church planters use these software systems to help them learn the local language and culture, develop teaching aids for explaining the Bible, and create literacy curricula.

- Pray for wisdom to focus our time wisely on the many ministry needs.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up full-time co-workers in this ministry.
- Pray for wisdom raising our kids, Jonathan and Stephanie, that they would continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.



**Thearith & Angela Cheng (Hadassa, Mikah, Zion)**  
*Youth With a Mission (YWAM) | Pittsburgh, PA*

After 15 years serving in Southeast Asia, the Cheng family now serves at YWAM Pittsburgh. They serve at a refugee kids club ministry in refugee neighborhoods, as well as train the next generation of field workers to go to the nations through their YWAM base.

- Ask for God's anointing as we minister to those God puts in our lives.
- Ask for open doors and open hearts of refugees in the neighborhoods we serve.
- Ask for wisdom as we coach and mentor younger missionary staff.



**Josh & Josie Dyck (Spencer, Mitchell, Julia, Katrina)**  
*Ethnos360 | Indonesia/Worldwide*

After twelve years in Indonesia, Josh and Josie have continued their ministry remotely from Wisconsin since 2018. They provide oversight to the Finance, Personnel, and Aviation Teams as well as IT support for the systems they use. This provides critical infrastructure for frontline church planters and translators as they serve among isolated people groups across Indonesia. Josh also collaborates with a broader IT team to offer similar resources and technical support to other Ethnos affiliates around the world.

- Pray for Josh for clear communication to manage projects and to train and support colleagues from thirteen time zones away.
- Pray for discernment for Josie as she provides Christian counseling and resources to the Ethnos360 Personnel Office, Elm-brook Church Care Team, and others the Lord brings her way.
- Pray for continued wisdom to coach and disciple our children – Spencer starting his career, Mitchell and Julia in college, and Katrina in high school.



## Nick & Jena Fast (Aubrey, Titus, Avery Grace)

### *Northwest Wisconsin Athletes in Action*

The Fast family reach college athletes and coaches in northwest Wisconsin. Their goal is that every athlete would know someone who truly follows Jesus. They lead the movement and offer opportunities to reach non-believing athletes through teammates and coaches. Nick and Jena disciple athletes, teaching them to walk with God and give Him glory through their platform of sport, and train them to reach their teammates and others for Christ.

- Pray for the athlete leaders to take steps of faith and trust the Lord as they lead Bible studies with other athletes.
- Pray for God to move on each team and give believing athletes courage and strength as they walk with Jesus to share the Gospel with their teammates and coaches.
- Pray for strong leaders and for 2 more staff members to help in leading the movement.



## Brian & Patricia Fink

### *NAIM | Saskatchewan, Canada*

Brian and Patricia work with North American Indigenous Ministries among First Nations people of south central Saskatchewan (primarily Plains Cree). Their ministry is focused on Christ-centered disciple-making seeking to model a more respectful approach to First Nations people and their culture. They invest a significant time in face-to-face relationships. Their primary mission is social and spiritual reconciliation for the purpose of evangelism and discipleship. They desire to encourage better relationships between First Nations people and Christian communities through education and example and eventually see greater numbers of Native Christians in significant ministry and leadership positions.

- Pray for God's strength, wisdom, and patience as we seek to meet the emotional and behavioral needs of our adopted and foster children.
- Pray for Brian's chaplaincy position with the local Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment. Pray that we can be the hands and feet of Christ to our first responders.
- Pray that God would use the weekly Bible studies on the reserve to make disciples and encourage the hearts of those who attend.



## Andrew & Megan Florestano (Theo, Cirdan)

### *Navigators | South Dakota State University*

Andrew and Megan Florestano serve with the Navigators collegiate ministry at South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD. Their aim is to reach college students with the gospel of Jesus, establish them in their faith, and equip them to be "laborers in the harvest" in their own spheres of influence, both on campus and in their lives post-graduation. They want to see students focus on individual people, with an eye towards spiritual multiplication through generations of disciple-makers.

- Pray for clarity and courage in sharing the Gospel with non-believers on campus.
- Pray for wisdom in training student leaders to be effective Kingdom laborers.
- Pray for spiritual rest and trust in the Lord for both of us, as ministers and parents.





## April (Adam) Foat (Jonathan)

*InterVarsity Christian Fellowship: Wisconsin NE Area Director*

April (Bricco) and Adam Foat, along with new son, Jonathan, have relocated to northeastern Wisconsin where April serves as area director, overseeing the staff and ministry of InterVarsity in this region of the state.

- Pray for my staff team to be renewed in their calling to campus to do the work joyfully with the Lord.
- Pray for us to reach new corners of students such as athletes, international students, nursing students, etc.
- Pray for us to reach new campuses (we are on 8 of 62 campuses in our area).
- Pray for Adam and I to be good parents to our son. Pray that he gets to know Jesus someday.



## Josh Green / La Thao

*InterVarsity Christian Fellowship | Marquette University*

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at Marquette University is a multi-ethnic, inter-denominational group of students on campus. This ministry aims to raise and develop students to lead their peers in Scripture study, evangelistic outreach, and prayer, while also engaging in ethnic reconciliation and justice issues. The hope is to see these students change the campus as a whole, being equipped to serve Jesus on mission for the rest of their lives.

- Pray for our small group Bible study leaders. Small groups are the backbone of our whole ministry, and we long for our leaders to be people who are drawing closer to God and leading others to do the same. Pray for boldness and faithfulness on their part.
- We have our annual Fall Conference at the end of October. Pray that we'd be able to get several freshmen/new students to come so that they can get vision for God's mission on campus.
- Pray that we would get at least 4-5 freshmen in our freshmen discipleship group starting at the beginning of October.



## Sam & Meghan (Gabriel, Fletcher)

*Cru | Manhattan, New York City*

Meghan helps lead a team of 10 Cru staff (of which Sam is a part!) to reach 400,000+ college students in 60+ colleges and universities across Manhattan and the Bronx with the gospel. Right now they help lead student movements on 10 different campuses, a few of which include: New York University, The Fashion Institute of Technology, The New School, The King's College, City College of New York, and Lehman College. Day to day they share their faith with lost students across the city, meet to disciple Christian student leaders, lead Bible studies, speak and teach at student gatherings, and train and equip students to love Jesus, lead their peers, and live out their faith for a lifetime. God has given them a vision to raise up students who will love Jesus, live as disciples of Christ, and make disciples on their campuses.

- For us - wisdom to raise our boys well in the city and meaningfully put Jesus first as a family.
- For our team - to depend on God for everything we do and for ways to effectively reach lost students here with the Gospel in the midst of the post-COVID realities in NYC.
- For the city - for God to make people aware of their need for a Savior and raise up disciple makers in every facet of city culture.



## Roger & Lynn Hamilton (Ryan, Tori, Andrew, Michael)

*The Navigators | Colorado*

Roger and Lynn have served with The Navigators since 1988. Their favorite contribution is training and developing our next generation of leaders. Roger is the Director of Training and Development for Eagle Lake Camps. He oversees the training and orientation for 300 summer staff who minister to 12,000 kids in a ten-week season. He also leads the Emerging Leaders Program, a three-year ministry and business internship for our full-time camp staff.

- Pray for wisdom and creativity as we grow and develop the Emerging Leaders Program.
- Pray for God's favor in recruiting and training over 300 college students to serve as summer staff.
- Pray for patience and perseverance in parenting Ryan, our adult autistic son.



## Dave & Rebecca

*New Generations | Chicago/Muslim World*

Dave and Rebecca work "glocally" as they are involved in both global and local ministries from their base in Chicagoland. They serve as Disciple Making Movement (DMM) catalysts who help catalyze and cultivate movements around the world through resourcing, training, and coaching believers in the strategy of DMM. They also lead the Ephesus Catalytic Partnership, a broad network of churches and mission organizations focused on making disciples and planting churches among the least-reached in the Chicagoland area.

- Pray for fledgling movements we are working with in SE Asia, South Asia, and West Africa to become full movements.
- Pray for continued favor on our Chicago Welcome Center in Albany Park, Chicago. Modeled after James Place, we serve a very diverse immigrant community through ESL classes, citizenship test prep, prayer, counseling, etc.
- Pray for more churches in America, especially ethnic churches, to get involved in DMM outreach to the least-reached.
- Ask God to bless us with vibrant physical, emotional, relational, and spiritual health that we may carry on in this work.

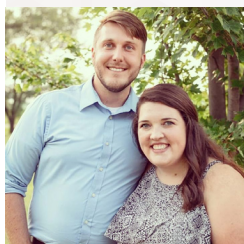


## Craig & Tina Holmquist

*Fort Wilderness | Rhinelander, WI*

"We develop relationships for eternal impact" is the core purpose of Fort Wilderness - a year-round camp serving 9,000 campers of all ages and backgrounds. Some describe Fort as a "taste of heaven on earth." In 1996, Craig and Tina started their own relationship together there while both were serving. At Fort, Craig shepherds relationships with campers and staff, furthers ministry with Partner Church staff and leaders, walks alongside missionaries raising support, and expands partnerships for the ongoing needs and Fort Future plans. In addition to raising the family, Tina builds into campers and staff who return year after year.

- Pray for hearts of campers and staff to be receptive to the Lord. People are really hurting today. Pray for wisdom, unity, (close to 40 year-round staff), and continued provision during a season of growth. Doors have been opened for expansion through new land, generous support, and experienced staff.
- Pray for more missionaries, staff, and volunteers to fill crucial roles.
- Pray that we would be faithful followers of Jesus united as a couple (25th anniversary in 2023), parents (children age 32 to 9 years), missionaries and friends. Pray for our own children and one grandson to have a heart for God.



## Sean & Jenna Kaiser

*InterVarsity Christian Fellowship | Northwest WI*

The ministry of InterVarsity equips students and faculty to create witnessing communities that share the gospel within colleges and universities. Sean works with the campuses of the Chippewa Valley, leading both staff and students. One example of this is at UW - Eau Claire, where there is a chapter that has had a decades-long legacy of thriving student ministry. The UWEC chapter has a staff team of three people, an average of 20 - 30 small groups, and about 100 students involved overall.

- Pray for curiosity in the current student generation of the Chippewa Valley. Each year students are more likely to be unchurched, have little knowledge of Scripture, but also be spiritually open and seeking.
- Pray for these campuses specifically in western Wisconsin, that God would continue to open doors for thriving ministry: UW-Eau Claire, Chippewa Valley Technical College, UW-Stout, Northwood Tech, UW-River Falls, and UW-La Crosse.
- Pray for our staff teams, that God would continue raising up new staff and providing the resources we need.



## **Jim & Donna Kelly (Cam (Olivia), Brenna, Nate, Zach)** *Cru | Northeast Wisconsin*

Jim and Donna seek to turn lost students and faculty into life-long multiplying disciples. They serve on multiple campuses in northeast Wisconsin directing student led ministries of evangelism and discipleship. Jim and Donna desire to sow seeds broadly on each campus, then provide one on one, small group, and large group discipleship opportunities. They also promote opportunities for training/mission opportunities stateside and throughout the world.

- Pray that God would continue to open doors for us to reach the freshman class each year.
- Pray for wisdom in how best to raise up mature disciples of Christ that would labor for a lifetime.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up laborers for our team each year. Pray specifically for 2-3 interns raised up from our campuses annually. Interns give concentrated effort to evangelism and investing in reaching out to the freshman class on our multiple campuses.



## **Erick & Ellisa Lettner (Amanda, Aaron, Andrew)** *Cru | Metro Milwaukee, WI*

Erick and Ellisa lead movements of college students that seek to be caring communities passionate about connecting others to Jesus Christ. Erick works specifically with Bridges International, reaching out to international students here in Milwaukee through service, social connections, spiritual conversations, and raising up student leaders. Ellisa leads the ministry at Marquette overseeing staff and discipling student leaders. Erick and Ellisa desire to see students begin a relationship with Jesus, be built up in their faith and sent out into the world as multiplying disciples.

- Please pray for students to be open to spiritual conversation and growth.
- Pray for God to move Christian students to rise up and lead and for more community volunteers that will share their lives and the gospel with students.
- Pray that international students will be open with their needs so we can best serve them and then share the love of Christ with them.



## **Doug Lindberg** *CMDA / Based in Wisconsin*

Doug serves with the Christian Medical & Dental Associations as the Director of the Center for Advancing Healthcare Missions (CAHM). Living missionally as healthcare professionals can happen in our backyard or halfway across the world, but it doesn't happen by accident. Doug's heart is to help encourage, mobilize, and equip the over 13,000 students, trainees, and graduate members of CMDA to intentionally live fully surrendered to Jesus and His Kingdom, regardless of where they're serving. This consists of planning and hosting conferences, speaking to students, administering scholarships, working with sending agencies to promote best practices, and supporting the well-being of missionaries.

- Please pray that God would raise up workers for the harvest and that CMDA will effectively mobilize and care for healthcare missionaries.
- Pray for Spirit-led discipleship of young people who have been called into healthcare missions, but often have years of training remaining prior to deployment to the field.
- Pray for effective strategic networking with sending agencies to catalyze partnerships and best practices in healthcare missions.





## Emily (Brian) Lorentz French

*Navigators | Ottawa, Canada*

Emily makes disciples of Jesus in Canada's diverse capitol city, Ottawa. Her mission is "to advance the Gospel of Jesus and His Kingdom into the nations through spiritual generations of laborers living and discipling among the lost." At Carleton University, she develops, trains, and facilitates students who seek to grow in knowing Jesus, practicing their apprenticeship to Him and, helping those in their relational networks do the same.

- Pray that God would give students vision and empowerment for whole-life discipleship.
- Pray that students would share the Good News with friends who will then pass it on to others.
- Pray that God would reach the nations through our presence and friendships on campus.



## Jared (Sarah) Mathison

*Cru | UW-Milwaukee/UWM at Waukesha/Cardinal Stritch*

Jared's mission and passion is to connect college students to the God that made them and has a plan for them. Jared is serving at UW-Milwaukee, UWM at Waukesha, and Cardinal Stritch University. He is leading Bible studies, discipling young men, planning events, and sharing the Gospel.

- Pray for God to lead and guide me to the right students and connections on each campus that I work on - UWM, UWM at Waukesha, and Cardinal Stritch.
- Pray for interest and engagement with the community we have in Cru and for the Holy Spirit to prompt students to take steps of faith.
- Pray for Cardinal Stritch University, a new campus that we're launching at this year. May God go before us on this campus and stir an appetite for spiritual community.



## Jeff & Becky Meyer

*Cru Headquarters | Orlando, FL*

Jeff has a role in helping to influence Cru's U.S. and international ministries as he helps to accelerate the spread of spiritual movements by expanding operational capacity. His role as part of Cru's Corporate Reporting Team helps provide strategic financial resources to ministry leadership and over sixty ministries. This involves partnering with ministries in order to streamline financial processes and resourcing them so they can reach their goals.

- Pray that we would continue to seek God daily, be obedient to His leading, and rest in His timing.
- Pray that our marriage will continue to be strong and thrive.
- Pray that God would continue to use us as we help to build spiritual movements so that everyone will know someone who truly follows Jesus.



## John & Kelley Meyer

*Cru | Florida*

The Meyers are serving God with Jesus Film Project stationed at headquarters in Orlando, FL. Jesus Film Project strives to give everyone in the world the chance to hear about Jesus in their own language through a film entitled **JESUS** and other gospel films. The **JESUS** film is in over 2,000 languages! Billions have seen it, and millions have received Christ! John and Kelley traveled the world for many years recording the film into new languages, and they are now development representatives. Together, they help connect the generous hearts of individuals to God's heart for the nations by sharing opportunities to give to Jesus film, such as funding **JESUS** film recordings, supplying film showing equipment, funding film showing strategies around the world, etc.

- For God's Psalm 91 protection over our family and team.
- That we would love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength (Deuteronomy 6:5).
- That our children would grow in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man (Luke 2:52).



## Nelson Family

*Global Serve International*

The Nelsons help coordinate and assist people and sending churches to consider their role in the Great Commission, specifically among unreached people groups in closed countries. In addition, they work together with field workers to plant healthy churches in these closed areas.

- Praise for ongoing opportunities to educate sending churches about the long-term commitment of sending to an unreached people group.
- Pray as GSI researches new regions to begin working and for the people to be sent.
- Pray for the development of a communications team.
- Pray for us as we raise our twin girls to follow God with their lives.



## Jonathan & Jenny Roundy

**(Emmanuel, Elena, James, Jada, Hayden, Ian)**

*Ethnos360 | North Carolina*

Johnathan and Jenny serve with Ethnos360, working remotely from North Carolina. Johnathan is an IT System Administrator for the Ethnos360 office in Florida. He supports church planting and Bible translation among unreached people groups.

- Praise God for new members joining the IT team, and pray for wisdom to best help and support our co-workers plant a thriving church for every people.
- Pray for wisdom and unconditional love for our children as we nurture them to love and serve Jesus.
- Pray for the completion and distribution of the Badyaranke New Testament as it is in the final stages. (They have just recently finished the last of the drafts.)



## Phil & Kym Schank

*C2K Ministries Inc. | Mound Bayou, MS*

Phil and Kym's mission is to develop programs to help kids fight intergenerational poverty. Their goal is to provide them with the tools and resources, to overcome those challenges and become successful leaders that change families, communities, systems, and the world. Mound Bayou is the oldest established African American community in the USA founded by ex-slaves in 1887. Phil and Kym are the only white couple living in their town.

- Pray for a new building where the roof doesn't leak and/or flood. This will allow us to expand our programs to help more students and make more of a difference.
- Pray for new transportation. Our vans are 2004 and 2005 model years which have worked fine but are now using more of our funds to maintain.
- Pray that our students will learn who God created them to be is more important than what others say. Prayer that our staff continue to communicate God's love in powerful ways.



## Bryan & Jan Thompson

*OMF International (U.S.) | Littleton, CO*

Bryan and Jan Thompson have served with OMF since 1992, first in Japan and now in Littleton, CO. Bryan oversees the Volunteer Ministry in the US, enabling hundreds of gifted volunteers to serve alongside OMF staff in high-impact ministry roles. He also coaches those interested in serving long-term in Japan with OMF. Jan oversees a team that prays and corresponds with field workers to provide encouragement and support. She also provides prayer material to the OMF-US team to pray effectively and regularly for OMF field workers in East Asia.

- Pray for wisdom and discernment for Bryan as he coaches those inquiring about serving with OMF in Japan.
- Pray for Jan as she mobilizes and enables others to pray for and encourage field workers.
- Pray for many more mature and committed volunteers to enable OMF to widen and strengthen its mobilization efforts in the US.

## CARROLL UNIVERSITY



## Carroll University

*InterVarsity Christian Fellowship*

InterVarsity has been a ministry on campus at Carroll since the 1970. Its vision is to see students and faculty transformed, the campus renewed, and world changers developed. The long to proclaim the good news of Jesus to every corner of the campus and desire that students become disciples and witnesses of Jesus.

- Pray that students would be hungry to grow in love and application of God's Word this year. We will be spending time in Exodus, John, Jonah, and Mark.
- Pray for Ella Johnson who will be serving as student staff intern.
- Pray also for Amy Jacobsen, WI South-East Area Director, as she serves the campus and works to recruit and mobilize a full time missionary for the Carroll campus into the future.
- Pray for unity among Christian brothers and sisters on campus. Pray that our love for one another would show that we are disciples of Jesus, and that we would be an attractive, compelling witness for those who do not yet believe.

# LATIN & SOUTH AMERICA

## FIELD WORKERS



661 Million

Latin America is a group of countries where romance languages Spanish or Portuguese are predominantly spoken. The term "Latin America" was coined by Napoleon III's government in the 1860s. South America ranks fourth in area and fifth in population. Brazil is the most populous country, with more than half of the continent's population.

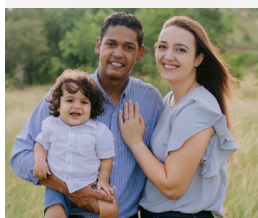


### **Tom & Jen Atwater (Alex, Abby, Gabe, Mariana)**

*Orphanos Foundation/911 Life Ministries | Medellín, Colombia*

911 Life Ministries in Medellín, Colombia serves at-risk families through bilingual women's and youth programs and a full-time care center for vulnerable families. It also provides Christian leadership development to local and international leaders through ITEC, International Training and Equipping Center. 911 Life's 6 programs include a Youth Center, Women's Micro-Enterprise Program, Hope House (full-time care program for vulnerable families), ITEC, Fearless Youth English, and 911 Worship. Worship is the heartbeat of this ministry. True worship is not only praise and adoration, but also pouring out God's love in practical and tangible ways to those in need while training others to do the same in their own communities.

- Pray that God would help us always lead others with wisdom, discernment, and love.
- Pray that we would constantly be listening to His voice and following everything He asks us to do.
- Pray that God would bless and protect our family and the families of our staff members, volunteers, and supporters.



### **Harold & Taylor Diaz (Caleb)**

*Eastern Dominican Christian Mission (EDCM) | Dominican Republic*

Harold and Taylor Diaz work alongside foreign nationals to train and encourage them, whether they are the lead pastor of an existing church plant or in the process of planting a new church. EDCM currently has 6 total church plants, four Dominican-led and two Haitian-led all located in the eastern part of the Dominican Republic. EDCM has a seminary to train both future pastors and leaders within the churches. In addition to the church plants, they have Kingdom Businesses such as a water filtration plant, a school, and a medical clinic to build bridges to the communities where churches have been planted.

- Pray for our Brisas del Mar Medical Clinic as we begin construction on this project. Pray that God provides us with the funds needed for this project, and that we are able to work with the local government smoothly to get the approvals needed in a timely manner.
- Pray for our two church planters as they are at the beginning stages of planting a church in the community where they felt called to. Pray for Harold as he guides them through this church planting process, and that the community members would be open to receiving the new pastors.
- Pray for our family as we become adjusted to ministry with having a young child now. Pray that we are able to find a balance between ministry and family time as our roles continue to grow and the ministry continues to expand.





## **Adoni & Kendra Guerrero** *The Navigators | Dominican Republic*

Adoni and Kendra Guerrero will be serving in the Dominican Republic with Navigators. They are passionate about life-to-life ministry as they build relationships with youth and young adults in the rural and impoverished communities of the Dominican Republic. They will focus on making disciples of Jesus as they walk alongside others in prayer, reading/memorizing the Word, and in obedience to the Word. Their hope is to ignite a generation who truly knows Christ, who seeks to make Him known and desires to help others do the same.

- Pray for our family to continue to abide in Christ, both in this season of waiting/preparing to move as well as once we arrive in the Dominican Republic.
- Pray for our move, transition, and settling into our new life and ministry in the Dominican Republic with our 3 young children.
- Pray with us against the spiritual attacks of discouragement and anxiety, - as we acknowledge that our battle is not only the physical/logistical realities of this transition, but also a spiritual one in which, in Jesus, we can overcome.



## **Jerry & Susy McNally** *Living Hope International | Puebla, Mexico*

Jerry and Susy McNally began their missionary service in Mexico in 1985, planting churches and evangelizing in rural villages. In 1994, they moved to Puebla, Mexico, and founded Esperanza Viva Youth Homes. Since that time, they have lived in Puebla, where they continue to serve as directors for the youth home, as well as Nations School, Nations Institute (La Viña), Nations Church, Life to the Nations Publishing Company, and LHI Missions. They founded Living Hope International to train and send leaders to the nations with the love of God, which is their calling. To that effect, they pour themselves into the staff, equipping, discipling, and counseling to prepare effective ministers of Christ's healing love. The McNallys have a hands-on approach to their life-long calling of providing opportunities "unto the least of these."

- Pray for wisdom from the Lord in every decision they make for the ministries in their care.
- Pray for discernment to guide and equip the leadership team.
- Pray for good health and strength as they serve in Mexico.



## **Ovidio (Bio) & Derida Ochaeta** *Global Development Services | Peten/Guatemala*

Bio and Derida run the Discipleship and Vocational Training Center "Paths of Hope," a business-oriented ministry to youth at risk in the northern region of Guatemala, an area afflicted by gang and drug dealing activity. At the Center, young men are taught the Word, trained in carpentry and welding, and provided the resources to continue their formal education. In addition, the Ochaetas work with several local churches in pastoral care and marriage ministry.

- Pray for transformational changes in the lives of our students and for growth in their faith and ability to learn.
- Pray for wisdom for us as we minister to our pastors and their wives, and that we would be a blessing and encouragement in their life and ministry.
- Pray for us to be refreshed in the Lord and strengthened in our commitment to serve humbly, boldly, and joyfully, while maintaining a healthy family relationship. Pray for divine protection from gang violence and criminal activity.



## Lynae, Katelyn, & Alyssa Poulson

(Zelda, Esmé, Rilla, Sylvie) *Missao Novas Tribos | Brazil*

The Poulson sisters and their 4 daughters work at an international boarding school in the Amazon basin of Brazil. The school serves the children of families who work in missions or ministry. The Poulsons manage the cafeteria, teach, and provide medical care for the staff and students. They are learning Portuguese and hoping to pass the medical certification exams in Brazil in the next 2 years in order to use healthcare as a ministry tool to build relationships and spread the gospel to underserved interior communities in the jungle.

- Praise that our kids are adjusting so well! Pray that they continue to learn Portuguese, and adults need prayer for that as well. Also pray for physical safety for everyone with the river so close, pirates, snakes, tropical diseases, etc.
- Pray that the students would benefit from their schooling here and grow spiritually as the staff disciple them.
- Pray for the ongoing tribal areas where the students' parents work. Many are in the process of learning language and culture, caring for physical needs, planting churches, and translating the Bible.
- Praise for continued attendance at the weekly Bible studies that the students and staff do with the river people here. Pray for spiritual understanding and growth.



## Phil & Valeree Poulson

*Missao Novas Tribos | Brazil*

After working as part of a missionary team planting a church among the Yanomami people for 15 years in the village of Marari, Phil & Valeree transitioned to a full-time field leadership role in 2007. They now reside in the city of Manaus and work with a leadership team where Phil & Valeree help to mentor and shepherd missionary teams planting churches among the least reached peoples of the Amazon. They do this by clarifying vision and by providing training, guidance, and encouragement. Their present ministry involves a significant amount of travel to the numerous indigenous villages where MNTB is engaging in church planting.

- Pray for the missionary teams involved in church planting, translation, literacy, and discipleship.
- Pray for us to have wisdom as we work with the missionary teams and indigenous church leaders.
- The prayer for our 5 daughters, two sons in law and ever-growing number of grandchildren is the same as that of Paul for the church in Colosse: Colossians 2:7.



## Dick Robinson & Ruth Hidalgo (de Robinson)

*RiverWind, Inc. | Pucallpa, Peru*

RiverWind was founded by Dick and Ruth to reach indigenous peoples in the Peruvian Amazon. RiverWind's mission includes leadership formation, community development, and environmental stewardship as they teach indigenous community and church leaders using oral communication strategies. The long-term strategy is for the indigenous churches to plant an evangelical church in each of the 58 communities in the District of Tahuania, led by well-trained pastors and ministry leaders.

- Pray for health, strength, well-being. We are actively planning to spend three to four months upriver, visiting villages, churches, believers and leaders.
- Pray that we will honor the Sabbath; we find it hard to find time to rest, week by week.
- Pray for short-term volunteers to come alongside locally and internationally to help with the development of Health Promoters for each of the many remote villages which lack any kind of medical care.
- Pray for programming, developing the materials, and financial resources to begin the program.



## Carlos & Alicia Scott

*GloCal Mission | Argentina*

The Scotts lead GloCal Mission, a ministry of mobilizing Latin American churches and equipping Spanish leaders and missionaries for service. Their main goal at both local and global levels is transformative communities of followers of Christ. They facilitate training and mobilization throughout South America, which involves much travel and immense faith!

- Pray for our spiritual, emotional, and physical health.
- Pray that God will give us words of spiritual wisdom and freshness when we have the opportunity to share with others.
- Pray for each ethnic group that has not yet been reached with the gospel and for the mobilization of the Latin American church to all nations.

# EUROPE

FIELD WORKERS



748.8 Million

Europe is separated from Asia by the Ural Mountains, the Ural River, the Caspian Sea, the Greater Caucasus, the Black Sea, and the Turkish Straits. Europe is a full continent because of its great physical size and the weight of history and tradition.



## J.D. & Alice Atkins (Isaiah, Elijah)

*United World Mission | Netherlands (J.D.)*

*InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (Alice)*

J.D. is a missional scholar with UWM's Theological Education Initiative. He serves as a New Testament professor at Tyndale Theological Seminary. Tyndale is a seminary near Amsterdam that trains pastors, missionaries, church planters, professors, and leaders from all over the globe. Today, over 80 different nations are represented among Tyndale's alumni. Alice has been with InterVarsity, reaching college students since 2003. She is currently seconded to the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (IFES) in the Netherlands as a supervisor and a trainer for HOST, the international student ministry. Alice also serves as an adjunct instructor at Tyndale, teaching a course on Cross-Cultural Christianity. This year the class has students from 10 countries and 5 continents. Both J.D. and Alice serve on the preaching team at Crossroads (XRDS), a large international church near Amsterdam.

- Pray for JD. Having 10-15 different nationalities in one classroom creates unique learning opportunities and teaching challenges. Pray that he and his students would humbly learn from each other and discern our own cultural biases in the interpretation of Scripture. Pray also for progress in his book writing projects.
- Pray for Alice as she continues to train people from many nations in cross-cultural ministry. Pray as she helps leaders learn to lead in multicultural and intercultural settings.
- Pray for our children living cross-culturally, that they would be rooted in the gospel of grace and be a light and a blessing to those around them.



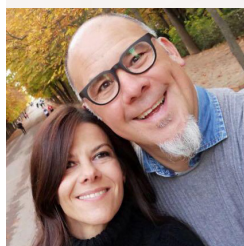


## Brooke Bateman

### *Wycliffe Bible Translators | Romania*

Brooke's ministry is with the Global Sign Language Team based in Romania to reach the deaf unreached people groups around the world through support of Bible Translation.

- Please pray for me as I work with multiple Bible translation teams within Asia and Europe. Pray for my training as an exegetical advisor, to learn from my mentors and to rightly divide and discern the Scriptures through the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for my spiritual life that my heart would be humble, steadfast on the Lord, and faithful to the task He has me on each day.
- Pray for me to have a hunger for God's Word, to make Him the center of my life, and to pour out to others, what I have been so freely given! (particularly to Deaf and hearing women in my community) Pray also for relationships to deepen and grow, bearing much fruit.
- Pray for Bible translation projects in Sign languages around the world, that God would strengthen the Deaf members of the translation teams in every way! Pray for the Deaf communities to be ready to receive God's Word and be transformed by Him.
- Pray for healthy Deaf churches to be established in countries and communities where there is currently no church. Pray for the believers in the countries to be bold, full of love and wisdom to disciple others, and to be discipled.



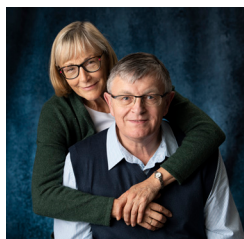
## Miguel & Ilaria Castillo

### *East West Ministries International | Madrid, Spain*

Ilaria and Miguel live in Madrid, Spain, where they serve as part of the leadership team of an urban church planting project. They both have a passion to make disciples that make disciples and see the church multiply in Spain and in Europe. Miguel is also a coach to young leaders who are planting new churches throughout different cities in Spain. In the European context, Miguel is the coaching coordinator and trainer for M4 Europe, a church planting network with a vibrant presence in 15 European nations. Ilaria is from the region of Liguria in Italy and worked for the Compassion International office both in Italy and in Spain for well over 12 years. She is currently a textile artist and intentionally seeks to reach artists and creatives with the gospel in urban settings.

- Pray for continued growth opportunities in our church planting project (ELAN Church) in Madrid, Spain. May we introduce many new disciples to Christ and develop dozens of new leaders in the next couple of years.
- We praise God for 51 young leaders trained through M4 Ready, a nine month program on leadership and church planting for young leaders ages 18-28. We hope to train and coach 100 young leaders by the end of 2023.
- Pray for our M4 Team Process this fall 2023. This is a two year (Sept 2022 through March 2024) training cycle for 6 church planting teams from different towns and cities in Spain.
- We praise God for unity and health in our marriage, now at our 12th Anniversary. Please pray for wisdom in our marriage to prioritize and be more strategic in choosing the people we invest in and the projects we get involved in as we move forward in our leadership as a couple.





## Malcolm & Juls Clegg

### *Navigators | Eastern Europe/Central Asia*

Malcolm and Juls are based in Poland, traveling and ministering with the Navigators. They founded and coordinate a network of 16 indigenously led, mission oriented, interdenominational ministries called Central Eurasian Partners, working in ten countries, some of them sensitive. These partners are working in evangelism and disciple-making; youth, student, and children's work; widows and orphans; arts, education, and business; church growth; and holistic ministry. They initiate new platforms in society for ministry, Bible study groups, seminary teaching, sermons in churches, and counseling, enabling national laborers in creative outreach enterprises, aiming at spiritual transformation, social impact, and financial self-sustainability.

- Pray for God's discernment and wisdom to know how to best serve, encourage, support our friends and family in Christ in Ukraine, while the war and fighting continues, and afterwards. There are many physical, emotional, and practical needs that will continue as time goes by. Pray that we may be a bright light in the darkness, helping people see and understand that in the Lord, they will find true refuge, security, and

safety. (Ps. 46 & 57).

- Pray for God's leading in choosing the projects and people to be involved with amongst a variety of opportunities. Pray for spiritual wisdom and depth of insight that we may know where to put our efforts most effectively (Colossians 1:9-10).
- Pray for open doors in closed countries and open hearts of the people we meet.



## Carlos & Yolanda Gomez

### *Equip, Int'l | Spain*

Carlos and Yolanda are church planters in Madrid. Their time is spent sharing God's love through word and deed with people they meet so that they can hear that God has a plan for them. They then help them join a church or form a group, which, in time, becomes a church where they can grow in knowledge of God.

- Pray that those who have heard a little or a lot of God's love and plan of salvation from His Word might feel restless and hungry for the truth, and that once they accept Him, they might grow in Him.

- Pray He will lead us so we might use our time wisely to honor Him.
- Pray He gives us strength, health, and wisdom to deal with the daily demands.



## Timo & Manu Heimlich (Robert, Emily, Heidi, Lukas)

### *Gemeinsam für Berlin and NewThing | Germany / Eastern Europe*

The Heimlichs support a movement of multiplying churches in secular and influential Berlin, Germany, while also training church planters in other parts of Europe. They build bridges between US churches, national leaders, and also migrant communities. One recent aspect is relief and evangelism partnerships with Ukrainian churches.

- Please pray for each family member to continually love Jesus more and be a witness for Him at school, work, and in our neighborhood.
- Please pray for Timo's leadership in a growing church planting network and unified movement in Berlin, leading to more planters, churches, and many new believers.

- Please pray also for Timo's training and connecting of church leaders in Eastern Europe, leading to new churches.
- Please pray for the Ukrainian church to influence Europe with its heavily tested faith.
- Please pray for young and often fragile disciples and churches to grow into strong witnesses for Jesus in a secular environment.



## Steve & Julie Olsen

*Tyrannus and Lydia Halls | Central Europe / South Asia*

God has called Steve and Julie into positions where they teach, disciple, and mentor both Christian students and Christian leaders in Central Europe and South Asia. Their most literal and accurate ministry description is "to engage deeply with God and engage deeply with others." Steve regularly visits 20 ministry sites in 8 countries, with Julie joining him when she can. These ministry sites are called either a Tyrannus Hall (for men) or a Lydia Hall (for women). They are residential discipleship centers where typically 8-20 university students live together in community and are disciplined during their university years. Outside of Tyrannus and Lydia Halls, Steve and Julie engage weekly or bi-weekly in deep Kingdom-focused relationships with individual elders, pastors and missionaries as well as with couples in Christian leadership.

- Pray for spiritual growth unto Christlikeness for our 300+ university students in multi-year, residential discipleship communities (4 in Europe, 18 in Asia).
- Pray for God's sustenance, wisdom and protection of the live-in discipler families (22 families in 9 countries).
- Pray for us as we transition back to the US after 30 years in Europe to oversee the newly reorganized Tyrannus and Lydia Halls mission organization.



## Mariano & Fanny Pineda (Tomas, Teo)

*One Collective | Galicia, Spain*

Mariano and Fanny live and work on the Camino de Santiago (St. James Way), an ancient pilgrimage that each year draws hundreds of thousands of people from all over the world. Together they founded Wandering Monks, a non-profit that seeks to foster the spiritual development of all people. They focus their work in three main areas: hospitality (through Casa de Pan, a guest house right on the Camino), soul care (through one-on-one spiritual direction and group retreats), and spiritual formation (through the ministry of the written word, guiding groups on the Camino, and Godly Play®).

- Pray for us as we lead and cast vision for Wandering Monks and Casa de Pan. Pray for wisdom and direction from the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for Casa de Pan and the final steps for finishing the hospitality house. Our goal is to have the house ready for guests by Spring 2024.
- Pray for each family member's continual progress in their pilgrimage with Jesus, that we will be salt and light to our neighbors in the village of Angueira de Castro.
- Pray for the pilgrims God will bring to Casa de Pan, either those who physically walk or those whose hearts are set on pilgrimage (Psalm 84:5). Pray for lives transformed by the love of God. Just like those on the road to Emmaus, we pray that Jesus will reveal Himself to them in the breaking of the bread, through Scripture, and through encounters around the table.



## Dietrich & Jan Schindler

*TEAM | Germany*

Dietrich and Jan have dedicated their lives to planting churches in Germany for the last 37 years. They relocated to the US in spring of 2023 primarily to care for Jan's aging parents, and they are based in Chicago. Diet's ministry as a consultant to church planting movements in Europe will continue through frequent trips and virtual platforms.

- Pray for the expansion of MyLife Workshop around the world and recent invitation to take it to Rwanda.
- Pray for Europe and the growth of evangelical churches during the pandemic.
- Pray for grace and power for Diet's many conference and teaching opportunities throughout Europe.
- Pray for Jan as she serves her aging parents.



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# GLOBAL PARTNERS

## Congo Initiative

The Congo Initiative is an envisioned community of Christ-centered Congolese leaders and global partners united for the transformation of lives in a flourishing Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Our core catalyst of change is the Christian Bilingual University of Congo (UCBC), a four-year university equipping changemakers and holistically renewing communities through transformative education and community engagement initiatives. The university has over 400 students enrolled each year and over 800 alumni working to improve livelihoods in the DRC and around the world. Elmbrook's partnership helps build the capacity of staff, educators, and leadership, ultimately empowering them to equip the next generation of leaders and create lasting change in the DRC.



- Pray for peace and security in the region. The eastern DRC continues to experience political instability and violent attacks by armed groups.
- Pray for our educators and students who work tirelessly amidst challenging circumstances, poor infrastructure, and insecurity while serving as ambassadors of much-needed change in the DRC.

## Emmanuel Hospital Association

Emmanuel Hospital Association (EHA) is a fellowship of Christian hospitals, institutions, and individuals that exists to transform communities through caring, with primary emphasis on the poor and the marginalized. Caring means providing appropriate health care and empowering communities through health programs, spiritual ministries, and leadership development. EHA serves people and communities regardless of race, caste, creed, or religion with a geographical focus of North, North-East, and Central India. Elmbrook partnered with EHA during the Covid crisis to provide needed medical equipment and supplies.



- Pray for the integration of the palliative care approach within hospitals in EHA (hospital based palliative care), in addition to home-based palliative care.
- Pray for the process of upgrading the Nursing schools to Colleges of Nursing where students can earn a BS in Nursing.

## Operation Mobilization

Operation Mobilization desires to see vibrant communities of Jesus followers among the least reached. In North India, Operation Mobilization partners with Nicodemus Trust, an organization upholding God's call to serve by providing those in need with better medical care, education, and living conditions. It is living out its motto of "Restoring the image of God to the suffering humanity." Many people in North India are forced to live in acute poverty where physical, emotional, and social needs are not met. Nicodemus Trust works through focused projects in four major areas – child education, healthcare for families, skills training and livelihood for youth, and community engagement through women empowerment. When Covid had a devastating impact on many communities in North India, Elmbrook partnered with Nicodemus Trust to provide relief through food distribution to many hurting people.



- Pray for the 200 million Muslims of North India, one of the greatest challenges and areas of need among all unreached people in the world of missions today.



- Pray for Sushil who is the leader of the national Nicodemus Trust ministry and is also the South Asia Coordinator for Vision 5:9, a network of about 80 mission agencies and churches working together to finish the task of reaching every Muslim unreached people group in India.

## World Relief (South Sudan)

Since 1998, World Relief has responded to the crisis in South Sudan, tackling problems through humanitarian and disaster response across five different counties, in addition to South Sudan's largest displacement camp hosting over 100,000 people. Elmbrook's partnership will help to build the capacity of local staff, communities, community leadership, and church networks to ensure they take a leading role in responding to the urgent and longer-term needs of their communities while having a spiritual impact on the lives of many, drawing people closer to Him.



- Pray for the churches throughout South Sudan to continue to come together to respond to the humanitarian challenges of civil war, famine, natural disasters, and disease.
- Pray for continued progress in feeding and educating the children of South Sudan.



# LOCAL PARTNERS

## Community Warehouse/Partners In Hope

*thecommunitywarehouse.org*

Community Warehouse (CW) stands as a beacon in Milwaukee, rooted in Christ-centered service, and dedicated to aiding those touched by incarceration. We help navigate and reduce the post-release barriers, from employment challenges to societal reintegration.



Our home improvement stores play a pivotal role; they offer job training to the previously incarcerated and sell deeply discounted home improvement materials, empowering Milwaukee neighborhoods to rejuvenate and prosper. Central to our mission is "Partners in Hope," an initiative designed to equip individuals with crucial life skills and bridge the gap between them and law enforcement.

Grounded in Christian values, our vision is not just about reintegration but a holistic transformation - mentally, spiritually, and socially.

- Pray for a continuous stream of committed mentors and supporters.
- Pray for the ability to touch more hearts and spread our mission wider.
- Pray for the deep-rooted transformation of those we serve by the power of the gospel of Christ.

## Care Net Pregnancy Center of Milwaukee

*milwaukee cares.org*

Care Net exists to uphold the sanctity of human life and to share the love of Christ and the hope of the gospel with women and their families facing an unplanned pregnancy. Care Net's mission is to encourage women to choose life by offering spiritual and practical care during and after pregnancy. We offer free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, life-affirming options counseling, material support for mom and baby, classes, Bible studies, and prayer. We serve our clients with mercy, grace, and a non-judgmental spirit.



- Pray for the hearts and souls of the women we meet who are making difficult pregnancy decisions.
- Pray for the futures of the babies saved through the ministry.
- Pray for grace and wisdom for our client advocates meeting daily with women in very tough circumstances.

## Hope Street Ministry, Inc

*hopestreetministry.org*

Hope Street is the Greenhouse for People on 26th & Capitol. We help people cultivate hope. We protect from outside elements but most importantly we grow together in a relationship with Jesus Christ. Hope Street is home to 40 men, women, and children whose lives have been profoundly affected by the toxic environment they grew up in. Empowered by the active grace of Christ, the staff, volunteers, and members cultivate a nurturing community in which we can live, learn, and develop new habits that help people flourish. In short, we provide housing and a place for healing.



- Pray for Hope Street's staff. Pray that the staff continues to remain grounded and rooted in Christ's love, in pursuit of creating a space for all people to flourish.
- Pray for Homes at Hope Street's members. Pray that Homes remains a place of joy, protection, and opportunity. Pray that members stay fully invested in the community being built within those walls.
- Pray for Shechem at Hope Street. Praise God for how He has continued to use this space to connect people from across the spectrum within the community. Pray that it remains protected and that it is a space where people feel safe, seen, and loved.

## International Community Center

[iccmke.org](http://iccmke.org)

A new wave of immigrants is settling here in Milwaukee! Many arrive as refugees and yearn to have American friends, even though language and customs may be a barrier. The International Community Center (ICC) is located near the airport, close to the homes and shops of many immigrants. The ICC is a place where volunteers help immigrants learn English, tutor children with school work, and form lasting cross-cultural relationships. Volunteers are warmly welcomed into the lives of new friends who have interesting life experiences and who also prepare fabulous food! We aim to celebrate immigrant cultures as we welcome them to life in the US and to introduce Scripture to those who are interested.



- Pray that our refugee friends are blessed as they settle into Milwaukee with prosperity, good friendships, and physical and emotional health.
- Pray for volunteers for the daytime kids' room and the evening tutoring of school kids.
- Pray for volunteers to develop friendships with refugee/immigrant families that lead to sharing about our life with Jesus.
- Pray for 30 Rohingya households befriended by a follower of Jesus.

## Safe Families for Children - Greater Milwaukee Area

[milwaukee.safe-families.org](http://milwaukee.safe-families.org)

Safe Families for Children (SFFC) is a movement fueled by compassion and faith to keep children safe and families intact. Through Host Families, Family Friends, and Family Coaches, SFFC temporarily hosts children and provides a network of support while parents get back on their feet. It is an honor to surround moms and dads with a community of families who believe in them, especially when they need it most. Safe Families for Children - Greater Milwaukee Area serves Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Waukesha, and Washington counties. The work is done through volunteers from 16+ different Partner Churches.



- Pray for our Elmbrook Safe Families group, which now has many volunteer families.
- Pray for increased volunteers, especially in the areas from which we get the most referrals.

## Wisconsin Inmate Education Association

[wisinmateedu.org](http://wisinmateedu.org)

In impoverished communities, some of the most influential gatekeepers are the individuals or groups who organize and perpetuate crime. If you want to dramatically change struggling communities, you start with those gatekeepers. The initiative of the Wisconsin Inmate Education Association (WIEA) is built on a proven system to transform gatekeepers whose influence is rooted in criminal activity. Change starts in prisons with inmates and spreads to families and communities around the state. WIEA gives inmates the opportunity to receive theological training while incarcerated through a partnership with Trinity International University.



**WISCONSIN INMATE**  
EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

- Pray that all of the students, other inmates, and staff stay safe and healthy.
- Praise God for the successful move of the program from Waupun Correctional (maximum security) to Fox Lake Correctional (medium security). Because of the new location, the program has attracted over 100 applications from men around the state interested in being part of the next cohort, which begins January 8, 2024.
- Please pray for the strength and stamina of current and new students as they work toward becoming chaplains to their fellow inmates.





# JAMES PLACE

## A Community Resource of Elmbrook Church

[jamesplacewi.org](http://jamesplacewi.org)

### **JAMES PLACE WAUKESHA**

Open to anyone in the community, this location sees many who are experiencing homelessness, unemployment, and/or other challenges to their mental and physical health. Staff and volunteers assist people with resume writing, budget coaching, finding jobs, preparing for interviews, finding shelter, and connecting to resources in the community, all while also offering prayer.

### **JAMES PLACE SOUTH SIDE**

Open to anyone in the community, this location provides blood pressure checks, resume and job search support, computer access and support, and assistance with medical questions and referrals. Our caring staff also provide referrals for food pantries, housing and shelters, and much more.

### **JAMES PLACE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL**

This location assists high school students with tutoring, job applications, life skills, and college prep. It is a place where students can come and be listened to and where encouragement and hope are offered as they plan for life after high school.

### **JAMES PLACE OBAMA SCHOOL**

This location is a place of peace where students and staff can receive support and prayer. Students can also come to work on schoolwork and get tutoring. There also are volunteers placed in classrooms to support teachers and build relationships with the students they serve.

### **JAMES PLACE NORTHSIDE**

This location works with Partners in Hope to mentor returning citizens coming out of incarceration.

### **JAMES PLACE IMMIGRATION SERVICES**

Serving our local immigrant and refugee communities in Waukesha and Milwaukee, WI, our highly trained accredited representatives provide consultation on immigration questions, help prepare and submit complex immigration forms, and provide a low-cost option for many who cannot afford expensive legal representation.

### **JAMES PLACE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COUNSELING SERVICES**

Master's level counseling interns integrate faith and mental health therapy to help others find hope again. We are always looking for licensed professional counselors with 5+ years experience to supervise students, as well as students seeking to complete their mental health counseling internship hours.





## Prayer Requests

- Pray that our volunteers would be able to build healthy relationships, respond to clients' needs, and offer hope in the name of Jesus.
- Pray for all who walk through the doors of James Place to experience hope and peace.
- Pray that our volunteers would be a constant source of support and encouragement to those we interact with in our community and our schools.
- Pray that James Place leadership would sense where God is leading us and have the boldness to move forward and trust God to provide.





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