

OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

- ▶ **Jamie & Anita Farr** thank everyone for their prayers during Anita's recent emergency surgery. She is recovering well.

- ▶ Belated congratulations to **Adam Graff**, who married Christine on July 28th. Proud dad **Kurt** performed the ceremony, and mom **Nancy** beamed with pride. The newlyweds are remaining in MI for the time being, until Adam finishes his responsibilities with the Marine Corps.

- ▶ **Kitty Miller** is wrapping up her year of home assignment this month. She will head back to Thailand in early October.

- ▶ **Lamar and Janice Stoltzfus**, home from RVA in Kenya for a year of furlough, took daughter Alyssa out to Messiah College in Grantham, PA to begin her freshman year. Alyssa is the first one to leave the nest, so keep all of them in prayer!

- ▶ Retired missionary **Fern Sweigert** (Canyon Falls, KY) was recently hospitalized and then transferred to a local nursing home in KY for rehab. Please keep Fern in prayer as she will need to make some decisions soon.

- ▶ Please note that **Dan & Melinda Moury** will not be participating in the 2013 Prayer Partners as previously noted.

- ▶ **SAVE THE DATE**– Don't forget to keep **Saturday, October 13th** free. That's the date of the Delaware/Susquehanna regions Fall Family Missionary Rally. The rally will be at Trinity E.C. Church in Boyertown, PA. There will be separate programs for youth, MMK's, and adults. Watch for more information coming soon!



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AN AUDIENCE OF ONE

Recently much of the world tuned in to watch the summer Olympics. For two weeks in early August, athletes from all over the world competed before huge crowds in stadiums all over London. Literally hundreds of thousands of people made their way to this once-every-four-years event. In addition, millions more watched on TV and social media. I can't even imagine the pressure on the athletes, some still teenagers, to perform their best under that intense scrutiny.

It's normal to want to have people cheering you on, whether it's a Little League game, a piano recital, or a spelling bee. But we have to be careful about our desire to have our accomplishments applauded. Sometimes we carry that attitude into the church. We want to feel appreciated for what we do, and perhaps we sulk a bit if our efforts aren't acknowledged.

The only person we should really be working to please is our Lord. If we do everything to His glory, it will show in our attitudes at work, in our family, and in our relationships. People will notice something different about us, and that will lead to opportunities to share about our faith. As long as we do our best for our God, we are working in front of the most important audience of all.

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."

– COLOSSIANS 3:23-24

–Pat Strain

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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

ANNIVERSARIES

* INDICATES RETIREE
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+ INDICATES MISSIONS ASSOCIATE

September 3 – Dave & Celia Dick
September 3 – Ron & Brenda Anderson
September 3 – Ed & Val Schubert

HERE AND THERE
– Randy Sizemore

1 Sept. 1 – drive back from taking Rev. Lalrosiem Songate to Concordia University in Indiana

PRAYER Pray for Christian school teachers to influence their students

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– Jeremy Kunkel

Sept. 3 – Labor Day
– Church Center closed



PRAYER NEEDS Dan & Melinda Moury – serving at Wycliffe headquarters in FL

“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men..” Col 3:23

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Sept. 4 – morning
– convocation at Evangelical Theological Seminary

Roy & Sue Haglund – serving with MAF at headquarters in Idaho

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– Aiyana Ehrman

Pray for the E.C. Church of Japan, ministering to those still recovering from the March 2011 tsunami

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David & Conce Roof – back in Brazil, getting settled in after year in USA

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Jeremy & Kristen Kunkel – serving with EMI in Colorado

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Sept. 8 – leave for deputation/training events in Ohio and western PA churches

Jim & Janet Stahl – training biblical story tellers to share the Gospel

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Sept. 9 – 14 – speaking in OH and Western PA E.C. churches

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Kurt & Nancy G. – working with Café 1040, support need

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– Gwen Melger*



Pray for Rev. Nobuo Abe as he pastors and leads the E.C. Church of Japan

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Gwen Melger – retiree living in FL

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Sept. 15 – GMC seminars – Wedgewood Park, Youngstown, OH E.C. church

Jim Ehrman – serving with Love146 and Rivendell Institute at Yale

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Sept. 16 – speak at Fern Trinity in the morning, Knox Grace in the evening

PRAYER NEEDS Dan & Mary Lynne Wills – praise for safety during Dan's recent trip to India

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Sept. 17 – drive back from Ohio

Praise that Rev. Janga was able to rent a new home for his family and 8 orphans

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Sept. 18 – auditing class at seminary – a.m.

Gloria Smethers – travel & deputation during year in USA

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Pray for the E.C. Church of India and its new General Director, Rev. Angam

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Ed & Val Schubert – women's & children's ministries in Honduras

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Pray for Rev. Matthew Gueh as he leads a discipleship program to train pastors in Liberia

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Brian & Missy Wagner – serving at Rift Valley Academy, Kenya

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Sept. 23 – Christ E.C. Church, Allentown PA – morning service

PRAYER NEEDS Pray for Rev. Elias Martinez Osorio as he leads the E C Church of Mexico

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Sept. 24 – Cabinet & Fall Missions Rally planning meeting

Becky Moser – Wycliffe retiree in AZ

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Pray for the E.C. Church of Liberia as it reaches out to the many poor people

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Robert & Bettina Schaeffer – LIFE Ministries, NY

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Pray for the E.C. Church of Nepal as they deal with instability in government

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Sept. 28 – India/Nepal meeting – 1 p.m.

Kitty Miller – getting ready to return to Thailand after year furlough

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Pray for Rev. Lalrosiem Songate, studying in IN for his Ph.D.

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Sept. 30 – Bethesda E.C. Church, Reedsville – morning service

PRAYER NEEDS Jonathan & Kathy Wilson – back in PNG, preparing for trip to village

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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October 7(1996) – Adam Schubert
October 8(1997) – Hannah Lakatos
October 10 – Chrisanne Amberman

October 11 – Mary Ellen Davis*
October 12 – Becky Moser*
October 12(1995) – Andrew Roof