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PRAYER GUIDE



FROM THE DESK...

Hello GMC family,

It is a joy each month to join my heart in prayer with all of you. And it's a privilege to be able to play a small part in serving our missionaries and international churches each month from the business office here at EC Church Center in Myerstown.

I often receive emails and notes of gratitude from our missionaries and international church leaders passing on their great thanks for all of you!

Your passion for sharing the Good News of Jesus around the world through prayer and giving is greatly appreciated.

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Giving Thanks & Nurturing a Global Vision

Greetings in the matchless name of Jesus,

As we have quickly moved (at least it feels "quickly" to me) into the time of year where we prepare for the upcoming holidays, I just want to thank you for your faithful and generous prayers and your and your church's sacrificial giving to the work of the GMC. Whether you support an EC missionary, one of the International Churches, or the GMC in general, every little bit makes a difference as we pray for and rely upon God to meet all of our needs according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus.

We could not do this important and rewarding work without you.

The GMC's ability to support this work is a direct result of your faithful prayers and generosity. At a recent speaking engagement, I shared three ways you can make a big difference for the GMC going forward into the new year. I'll share them with you here, and hopefully you will pass them along to your mission's leader, pastor, and others who desire to be a part of Jesus' Great Commission. Here are the three action items your church could take:

1. Build into your church's yearly budget a category for the International Churches so that every year - whether monthly, quarterly or annually - your church is involved in the mission of God around the globe.
2. Make your member care for the missionaries you support more than just writing a check. Let them know you're praying for them - send them an encouraging note or card, or maybe even a care package (check international rules that may apply.)
3. Once a month in your worship service on a Sunday morning pray for missions, whether our international churches, our missionaries, or something of your choosing. The goal is to help your local church nurture a global vision.

If you're reading this prayer guide, I know this is probably already a part of your life and I want to say THANK YOU! If it were not for you, we could not do what we believe God has called us to do in taking the Gospel around the globe. Your faithfulness to the work of the GMC through prayer and giving means a great deal to me and I appreciate your continued support. May God bless your obedience to His Kingdom work.

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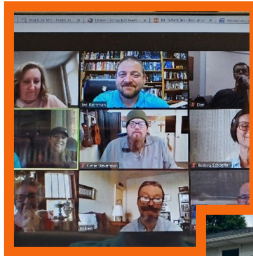
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*Facilitating Mission Workers
Empowering National Churches
Engaging the Local Church*

Just a few ways your prayers and financial support have been such a blessing this year....



To know how your church can partner directly with an EC missionary, an International Church, or Operation Christmas Child, call the GMC office at 717-866-7581, x1109 or email ecglobal@eccenter.com.

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November 1-8 This week praise God for His many blessings this year...

- from mission houses being dedicated, to having the privilege to pray for and encourage international church leaders and missionaries
- for the generous and sacrificial giving to purchase vehicles to reach hard-to-get-to villages, and for the way He continues to bless connections and relationships all around the world
- for the safe travel all year for the many trips to visit our international churches and missionaries traveling to and from the field

November 17-24 This week pray for the Global Ministries director, staff & board...

- to be filled with joy and hope as they plan for 2023
- to continue to foster the vision of the Global Ministries Community to the EC Church USA
- to believe God to provide for the bold, God-sized vision and mission initiatives for the GMC for 2023
- to develop and cultivate valued relationships with mission's leaders and teams in our local EC churches
- to care for our missionaries well
- to help encourage and train up our international church pastors and leaders

November 9-16 This week pray for the local church USA to...

- catch the vision of nurturing a global vision and to be on mission with Christ to reach His world
- pray for the next generation of missionaries to hear the call of God to step into the ministry He has planned for them
- begin to seek opportunities to reach their local communities and neighbors
- adopt an international EC church to support
- consider increasing support for a missionary or begin supporting an additional one

November 25-30 Pray for missionaries...

- **Tomoyuki & Jessica Abe, Randy & Chrisanne Amberman, Ron & Brenda Anderson, Chris & Deb Bowers**
- **Jamie & Anita Farr, Beth Grimm, Dave & Emily Hershey, Dan & Melinda Moury**
- **Dan Quigley, Dave & Conce Roof, Robert & Bettina Schaeffer, Ed & Valerie Schubert**
- **Ken Sears, Gloria Smethers, Jim & Janet Stahl**
- **Gene & Bethanie Stevenson, Lamar & Janice Stoltzfus, Joe & Wendy Toy, Brian & Missy Wagner**
- **Cassie Wells, BJ & Rachel Whitaker, Dan & Mary Lynne Wills, Jonathan & Kathy Wilson**

Click [HERE](#) to donate now to an EC Missionary.

Happy Birthday

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| 2 - Barbara Erb* | 3 - Joe Toy | 8 - Jane Heck* | 9 - Jessica Rathman |
| 14 - Art Davis* | 15 (2006) - Aria Stevenson | 19 - Brenda Anderson | |
| 24 - Ken Sears | 24- Robert Schaeffer | 28 (2006) - Leah Moury | |
| 29- Eunice Wanjema* | | | |

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