

## *FBC Ambassador Prayer Items*

### *March 2021*

**STEVE and DONNA THURMAN, in Idaho in US, but will take some trips overseas - Team Kiwi**



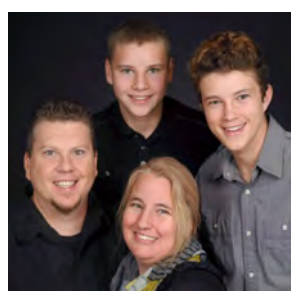
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- A few weeks ago a windstorm blew two large trees onto the roof of our house. This caused some damage. Due to great timing, God's grace, the trees were removed off the roof in two days. We made a list of many things we were thankful for and saw God's hand in many ways. Pray as repairs and adjustments are made. We have finally stopped being surprised when the Lord outdoes Himself, in caring for us, and blessing us. "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases [even in the storms]; his mercies never come to an end [even after the storm]; they are new every morning ... great is Your faithfulness" Lamentations 3:22,23.
- These ministries are "sitting, waiting" for us, and we ask for your prayers regarding them: Kenya; Sri Lanka; Myanmar; New Zealand; eastern Australia; and very possibly, an Asian country. Also, so much can happen in the United States once the vaccines have their full impact. Thank you for praying. We're ready to go!
- We have friends, neighbors, golfing buddies, and others in our life who have coronavirus, or are recovering. Some are anxious regarding their adult children who have/had the virus. Lord, we need wisdom-love as we wind our way through this pandemic, caring for ourselves and others.

**ERIC and DEB SMITH, in Colorado Springs at One Challenge**

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- Debbie, who is the Senior Director of Personnel for OC, has on-going work to coordinate with several of our workers who are wanting to transfer to new countries, so we are working with our Global Alliance partners to see if they would be a good fit for their teams. Prayer for clear communication across cultures.
- Please pray for our team on the ground in Mongolia. They have finished a research project on the location of churches and the need for church planting. Now, they are beginning a research project identifying the resources (organizations and missions agencies) that can be challenged to accomplish the needed church planting. And we are all still waiting for Mongolia to open up again to foreigners so that we can launch the church planter coaching networks.
- Please pray for conversations with Christian leaders in South Korea. They are beginning to realize that the era of large mega-churches is over and they need to begin thinking about starting smaller churches that can penetrate their changing population. The North Asia team, that Eric leads, will be directly involved in these conversations.



**JOE and JENNIFER FILER, Utah, Freedom Church Movement**

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- Our *Reproducing Grace* book to be used as a textbook in Bible colleges & seminaries.
- The board of Freedom Church Movement, that God would lead and direct our steps.
- Pray for those who have joined our nationwide Free Grace Church Planting Network in a number of states and for those from other states who plan to join.
- Pray for the Grace Groups that have started, that they grow and multiply and that they turn into house church networks. Pray for new ones to start and multiply.
- Pray for Drew and Zech as they have a heavy school load this semester at Grace School of Theology, along with their jobs. Pray for balance, concentration, endurance and strength.
- Pray for ministry among the Apostolic United Brethren cult in Utah, Montana and Arizona.

**RON and MIKEL ANN PRITZ, in Colorado Springs One Challenge Associates**

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- March will be a busy month preparing for our April 15-May 1 travel and teaching in Ukraine. The travel requirements are like a moving target these days. By March 8th, Lord willing, we will both have had both of our Covid 19 shots. However airlines and different countries also require current (i.e. within 24 or 48 hours) Covid tests as well. Please pray with us that we will be able to get the necessary tests set up with timing that works for the various legs of the journey. Also please pray for our teaching preparations. I (Ron)



will be teaching Bible Study Methods and Leadership. Mikel Ann will be teaching temperaments. And together we will be teaching Christian home. Also please pray for the ten missionary candidates who are in this year's class. Pray that we can impact them in the way the Lord would have us to. Thank you for your prayer support.



**DOUGLAS ALIRO, Kampala, Uganda**

- Douglas, a friend of Jim and Anne Pocock, ministers to a variety of people from slum dwellers to college students through individual meetings, small groups and house churches.
- Praise he has been able to engage with many college freshmen. Pray God will guide him and continue to give him ministry opportunities. Pray also he will continue to have good health.

**RICK and LEAH ROOT, Experience Community, Colorado Springs**

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- Continue to pray for direction for the ministry as there are lots of opportunities to minister, we'd like to be focused where the Lord would have us.
- We are still experiencing the waves of Leah's dad passing last year. Continue to pray for the family as we adjust to that as well as other changes happening around us.
- Thanks be to God for His faithfulness and for counting us worthy of suffering in little ways so that we can comfort those we are called to serve with new understanding and empathy.



**FINN and SANDY TORJESEN, TEAM and Evergreen**

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- Please pray with us about our work in this new year. When will travel, obtaining visas, gathering with people be more "normal" again? And as we wait for that, we pray for wisdom, energy and the ability to continue to connect, to encourage and serve others in our prayer life.
- We are always in need of more love for the Lord and others, for growth in grace and Christ likeness, for His guidance, strength and joy.
- Our son Davin does have nerve damage (probably as a result of his April accident) to his upper left arm, making it weak. He and his family did make a trip to Beijing, consulted with the surgeon chosen as best for this procedure on his nerve compression. Sadly, Covid has caused regulations so that surgery must be put on hold. As he must wait while experiencing increasing weakness, please pray for Davin and his family. It's discouraging and a little frightening. Please pray for healing, the right treatment, the timing and the Lord's work in the hearts and faith of Davin and each of us during the wait.
- Please pray for believers in China. Our friends ask us to pray for faithfulness and courage. Pray that increased pressure will turn many to the Lord and that China will be filled with God's Word, God's Spirit at work impacting the Chinese people that God loves.

**SHEIKA and HAKA SAMBUUDORJ, in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia with Witness Mongolia**

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- Sheika plants churches and trains church planters in Mongolia. Haka works with medical professionals in Mongolia and serves as a physical therapist. They have three children, Tungana, Thingsaa, and Megeii.
- Praise for some easing of the lockdown in Mongolia. We can attend some small church activities in person. We hope in May to be able to have larger services in churches. We have planned some 2021 activities and some other evangelical events.
- There are several families interested in church planting. We would like to do more research and drive in the countryside to see where God might want us to plant a church. We hope this would be in 2021 or 2022.
- Haka is doing well and continues to disciple those doctors who received Christ and were baptized.
- Tungana is helping with our youth ministry at church. She is also preparing for an exam for international university overseas. She would like to study speech therapy. Currently Mongolia lacks people in this field.
- Thingsaa (16) is in Chicago studying at the Wheaton Academy.





**KRISTIN LANE, *Indonesia with Network of International Schools, teaches at Bandung Alliance Christian School***

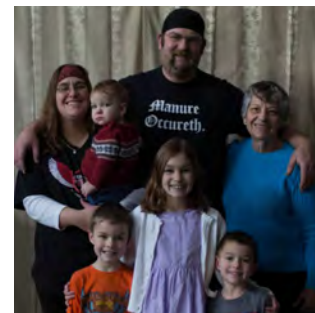
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- Due to more COVID-19 cases the Indonesian government has decided all schooling will be online. Pray for teachers since they all need to teach this way. Kristen has been doing this since March, but it is hard on her. She hopes this will change later in the year with lots of provision for plexiglass, masks, etc. It is hard to teach kids to read in online classes.
- Pray more students will come to BAIS.

**ED and KAREN ALDRICH, *His Urban Presence, Colorado Springs***

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- Pray as we seek to serve those in the community who are homeless or struggling to get back on their feet. We especially would like God's guidance into how best serve the folks we serve in this time of the coronavirus.
- Pray for God's guidance for what He wants in the future. There are possibilities with partnering with other ministries.
- We live busy lives including serving in ministry, relationships with friends, and being parents. Pray for energy, strength, and wisdom to balance the different priorities.



**MARLIN and RUTH BRUBAKER, *Reach Beyond (formerly HCJB Global), in Colorado Springs***

<http://reachbeyond.org>

- Marlin continues to be heavily involved in a big project for Reach Beyond's home office, working from home.
- Pray for the new president of Reach Beyond, Daniel Enns. The organization is exploring options to sustain their ministries, including the possibility of partnerships with like-minded organizations.
- Please pray for wisdom for Reach Beyond, that God would direct us as a ministry and provide according to His will so that we can continue the fruitful ministries that are happening around the world.
- Pray for our daughters Emily and Sarah as they have a busy semester at school.
- Pray for Ruth's foot to heal.

**LOREN MUEHLIUS, *LightSys, Colorado Springs, helping missionaries with mapping***

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- Pray for Gary, the father of our CEO, who has been given 1 – 3 weeks to live after being diagnosed with cancer. With hospice they are seeking to make Gary comfortable. Pray for strength and comfort for the extended family.
- We finally received more church data from a country in Africa. Pray for us to see the best way to map it. We are working with mapping software I haven't used much, so pray for wisdom.
- Pray as Lee, our mapping volunteer continues work on the Central African Republic language maps. He continues to insert missing place name labels on maps.
- We are planning a weekend in March to have students gather remotely to work on ideas for computer programs mission agencies would like. In May we hope to offer a whole week Code-a-Thon at our office. This is a time where students learn about missions and work on programs for mission agencies. An impact from the week is that students see that their computer skills can be used to help missions. Many students will be done with their semesters at that time and COVID-19 may be more controlled. Pray as we contact students, professors, and for wisdom planning details for these events.



**EVERETT and TERRIE BARKER, *R.E.A.L, Pharr, Texas***

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- Pray for quick healing and good flexibility as Everett recovers from surgery to repair a torn meniscus. May God give him patience as he waits.
- As chairman of our church Mission Action Committee, Everett would like prayer for both local and global missions as the pandemic begins to subside. Pray for clear direction as



he guides the committee and our church members to be more missions-minded and how to go forth outside our church doors.

- Pray for opportunities to minister at a nearby college campus and that students will engage with our church. Terrie and others from church deliver pizzas for "Free Food Thursday" where students also get spiritual food.
- Pray for the ability to soon minister at an elementary school where we were doing after-school Bible club before COVID-19. Pray for other avenues of children's ministry.
- We had been videoing a Zoom lesson for parents at our church to show to their kids on Sundays. We have ended that so pray parents would bring their children to church.
- Pray for Everett's involvement in part-time mobilization ministry with Mission Next as he seeks to connect individuals throughout Texas with mission opportunities.

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