

MISSIONS connection

March 29, 2023

April Birthdays
2 Taylor Crowe 28 Elizabeth Queen

Thomas, Paige, Elizabeth & Jacob Queen
Queens for the King
135 Leamington Lane SE, Cleveland, TN 37323

From GLH, who serves in Central Asia:

“Thank you guys for praying for our house hunt this week we finally were able to sign on an apartment and are moving forward with the necessary steps to relocate to our new place. It is in a beautiful location close to the lake here and the view is incredible. The house itself is older and in need of some repairs/basic renovation so we can’t move right away but the hope is in the next couple of weeks we will be able to. It was a really hard waiting period, harder than I expected, but the Lord was faithful to bring me through and I know you guys were praying for encouragement and strength as well. Thank you.

I also wanted to ask you to pray for the girl in the pictures below—her name is Şule. She is from a small village in the western part of the country and her family is conservative Muslim. She has been a believer for 3 years now but her family still doesn’t know. When she made her plans to travel to visit them this week she didn’t take into account that the month of Ramazan had started. This will add pressure on her as everyone will be fasting. Would you pray that she would have an opportunity to share with her family about her faith? That the Lord would give her courage and strength and protection? She is afraid they will keep her at home against her will if they find out and she won’t be able to return to her life/job/church/friends here. Please ask with us over this next week for that not to happen and that the Lord would soften her family’s hearts towards her.”

Josh & Kelsey Ellison
“Go and Make Ministries”
www.goandmakeministry.org

Thank you all for prayers while I was in Costa Rica. We were able to finish the job and also Kelsey and family were well while I was gone.

Also, I have finished the first draft of the basketball devotional. I have the first 7 days which are geared towards explaining the gospel to unbelievers. I will be handing it out to the people I play with both believers and not to get some feedback. If it seems like God can use it, then I will start working on the other days.

Hannah Nugraha

(Mark & Suzanne Kelly’s granddaughter)

Wycliffe Bible Translators

teaching Missionary Kids in Southeast Asia to support Bible Translation.

Praise:

- Plans to return to Indonesia are starting to come together with YAJASI.
- Anna still has some struggles, but she is doing well! I love to see what God is doing in her life.
- It looks like there will be 2-3 special education teachers (including me) at HIS by the time I start teaching there again. Thank God for the answer to this huge need!

Prayer:

- Please keep praying for Enos’s flying. He is quite a bit behind the rest of his class.
- Pray for wisdom for me in the classroom. I need help to shine Jesus’s light to the ladies in my room and lead them each day.
- Pray for Neil and Becky. Neil has been Enos’ instructor at SMAT, but they are stepping away for a bit. Pray for good rest and encouragement for them.

We are praying for the requests you guys sent as well!

Frank Nuckolls

Director of Missions for the Flint River Association

Praises:

1. Southside Baptist Church in Griffin has called a new Pastor! This church has been without a Pastor since July 2019.
2. Tremendous mission trip to the Dominican Republic last week! Our team was able to train 35 Pastors and church leaders over two nights, connect with five churches for partnership development, evangelism, and encouragement, and seven people came to faith in Christ!

Prayer Needs:

1. Pray for Crossroads Church in Newnan as it will be working with McIntosh Baptist Church in Griffin on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday to have services in preparation to launch a new congregation in Griffin.
2. Pray for churches without Pastors: Cornerstone, Faith, Brooks, and Lisbon.
3. Pray for our FRBA churches as they prepare for worship and outreach prior to and during Easter.
4. Pray for a church in Jackson, GA that will potentially vote on April 16 for membership in FRBA.

Praying for you today.

Frank

Stephen and Emily Howard

living in Kentucky while seeking the ministry placement God has for them

- 1) Continue to pray that I would be able to preach the Gospel to those around me at work.
- 2) Pray that we would be light to the community around us.
- 3) We will need another car at some point. Pray that we would have direction and trust God in this area as well.
- 4) We have an Easter egg hunt coming up in April. Pray we’d ministry to the community through it.
- 5) Emily is feeling better! We think it was a cold that turned into a sinus infection.

Thank you all!

Mark & Gynnette Yoho

Fourth Watch Ministry

840 Mountain Loop Rd NW, Sugar Valley, GA 30746

I am really enjoying this spring season. I don't know; maybe they just get better with age. Sure, we can find a few things that we don't like about every season. However, I sure love to see spring when everything is popping with new life. It's really no surprise that God would choose springtime as the right time for the resurrection of Christ. Through the blood of His cross and the power of his resurrection we too pop with new life. I'm glad I'm saved. Thanks for praying for my trip to pick up my father-in-law's stuff in South Georgia. I had a chance to meet with his wife's family and help them out a little bit. The trip home was long with the Atlanta delays, but it was safe and uneventful. We received news this morning that Paul's wife, Inez, passed away last night. Looks like we'll be making a trip back to Jackson, Georgia, possibly later this week. We haven't received any information on arrangements yet, but I'm sure we'll make at least one trip down there. I did get a call from a partnering Church asking me to fill in at their Assisted Living Ministry on Easter Sunday afternoon. Spending a little time working on a few outreaches right now. Please pray for God to fill our calendar. I say that often, but it is our heart's desire that God would put us where He wants us. My teaching at the Bible College is going well on the book of Romans. We will finish it up on April 17th. I have the great task of completing the curriculum for the last eight chapters of Romans before we start up in the fall. Looks like I'm going to have to spend a lot of time taking a look in the Book. Please pray for this. I want to teach things that are right. Thank you so much for your prayers and support. Have a blessed Palm Sunday. Love, Gynnette and Mark

Elijah and Raelene Soritau

Elisha, Tori, Karis and Isaiah

Elijah is the Vice-Rector of Emmanuel University in Oradea, Romania and pastor in the Oradea area

We are one week behind you in celebrating Easter. Here are some prayer requests:

Please pray for our university as next week we will be having over 500-600 HS on Campus. Some of them are not saved, and we pray for their salvation. Also, some have no idea where they want to go to school, and, therefore, we pray that the Lord will guide them to Emanuel. Honestly, this is very encouraging and humbling to have so many HS students with us. Also, please pray for me as I travel this weekend to the city of Hunedoara where I meet with 35 students (church workers) with no theological training. I am teaching Introduction to Homiletics. Most of them work in churches but have no theological or homiletical training. I really look forward to being with them, and I am very honored and humbled. Raelene continues to schedule students in the Childlife visits to the Kindergarten of Emanuel University and in the surrounding areas. We are going to pray for you that many will come to know the Lord on this Easter Sunday. Love you and Blessed Easter to you and yours! Elijah

Davi Masi

Seminary student and psychologist in Brazil

God's love and care is beyond our comprehension, praise the Lord!

Prayer requests:

- Keep praying for our trip to southern Brazil in July. Pray for our plans and agenda.
- We have the next week off, and we have plans of taking the children to the Zoo in São Paulo. May God bless us in this time of resting and "recharging".
- Pray for Matteo. He is our elder son, and is having problems with attention at school. Pray that God gives us grace to help our son in the right direction.

Thank you so much for the prayers! We feel strengthened.

Brian & Ashley Jones

works in security with the IMB

If you would, be praying for Sophie. We had an ophthalmologist appointment last week. Her right eye is still very weak, and they're changing her Rx to some bifocals to see if that could help. If not, there is a possibility of surgery in the near future. She has gone through so much in her short little life, and we just don't want another surgery for her. Please pray that these new lenses will help fix the problem.

Nathan and Laura Johnson

Navigators Collegiate Ministry

6212 Woodlawn Ave, Columbia SC 29209

I'm sorry I haven't sent any updates recently, but we appreciate y'all's prayer for us!

I think if y'all could just join with us as we as a ministry finish up in about a month - that we would finish well with our students and also as we look forward to the next semester. We have some freshmen who are really excited and hungry to keep growing, which we are encouraged about. We're hoping that the Lord would build community amongst them as we know the importance of fellowship with believers.

For Laura and me, we are also preparing to go back to Mexico in the middle of May, so if y'all would go ahead and be praying for that trip. We will lead our team and come alongside the missionaries who are in Mexico. And also with that trip, if y'all could be praying for our fundraising as we hope to be able to fully cover the trip. We will be putting some focus on that for the next month or so.

We love y'all and are thankful for y'all!

Chad & Emily Keeter

Navigators Ministry Staff

1415 Harmony Rd, Knoxville, TN 37912

Thank you for praying for our time in Charleston, SC last week! It was a joy for our family to all be together with students during the week. Our kids loved being around all of our students, and we all enjoyed the service opportunities that we had while we stayed there. One highlight was going to the College of Charleston on Friday and having spiritual conversation with students there. Some of the students with us engaged in this for the first time! A pair of two guys (Neal and Sam) talked with a freshman student who was eager to learn more about Jesus and read the Bible for the first time, but he didn't have a Bible of his own. Neal handed his Bible to the student and insisted that he take it and start reading the gospel of John. How awesome is that?! We connected with a solid baptist church across the street from the campus and encouraged the students that we talked to to plug into the college ministry there. Another pair of guys talked with six fraternity brothers who were all eager to engage in spiritual conversation. Pray for the Lord to cause those seeds to fall on fertile soil and for the gospel to spread there on that campus. Pray for the Lord to continue to grow a culture of evangelism in our ministry here and for the community amongst our students to deepen. Thank you for praying with us!

Troy & Lille Poe

student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

514 Enzian Dr, Dalton, GA 30721

Thank you for the prayers. Lille, Truett, and I are doing well. We are grateful for our church family. Lately I have been reevaluating my future and career. Please pray along with me for wisdom and direction in where the Lord should lead me.

Justin & Sara Silvers

Pastor at Buffalo Lick Baptist Church in Cadiz, KY

Pray for us during this Easter season and for the people that we will be ministering to during our Easter egg hunt.

Ross and Molly Kinsey
Daughter, Rosemary, and twins, Tennessee & Shiloh
Critical Christianity Ministries
Galena, Alaska

Hello Grove Level!

Thank you all for your prayers over our event! It went GREAT! We had our regular youth group attendees come and then we had another 30 sign up to come from the dorms. Not that many actually made the event (pretty typical of any events posted at the dorms), but we had a great time. Total we hosted about 30 students and were able to connect, have fun, introduce ourselves, and love on them in Jesus' name. The students were all super engaged, had a great time and asked when they could come back. We've been praying since that some of these students will begin coming to youth group and can hear the gospel. This is a prayer request we would ask of you all as well!

We had an easy time with logistics for the event. The boarding school was prepared to bring all of the students, so that was a huge blessing and answer to prayer.

Thank you for your encouraging words, for your prayers and for your faithfulness!

The Kinseys
Galena, Alaska

Run for God
Mitchell & Holly Hollis
PO Box 99, Varnell, GA 30756

Thank you church family for your prayers for this Ministry. We are very busy getting ready for our upcoming 5k weekend. Please pray for us as we prepare for hearts to be changed for Him. There are many decisions to be made as we get into spring. Please pray with us as we follow God's lead. We are preparing for our JFest 5k in May as well. It is a busy season for us. Please pray that we are obedient to Him as we plan. Thank you Grove Level. We love you!

The Run for God Team

Bryan & Brittany Kelly
Brittany is the preschool director at Severns Valley where Bryan is the pastor associate; 162 Dorothy Drive, 2G, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Hey there. We have an ultrasound tomorrow. Our sweet baby is 11 weeks, and we are praying for a healthy baby with a strong heartbeat tomorrow.

After our ultrasound we took the rest of the day off. We are coming to Georgia for a very quick weekend visit with our parents. We are excited to see them! Pray for travel.

David, Kellie Crowe & Family
Bi-vocational pastor at Grace Fellowship in Abingdon VA
642 State Street, Bristol, TN 37620

Thank you for praying for us.

Grace — we hosted our second Men's Ministry Gathering last night. We had a good group and a good time together. Pray as we seek to add leadership and our planned one-to-one mentoring aspect.

Pray as we plan and staff our Summer Science Spectacular Camp for June. Many folks have eagerly signed up to help, but we need many more.

Crowes — we are excited about Taylor and Emily's wedding in May. We still have much to do, and the distance makes planning our things for the wedding a challenge. Pray for them, too!

Thank you for loving us so well.

MISSIONS & MINISTRY PARTNERS

Michael & Holley Richardson
Ellis and Luke
Taking Seminary, 2704 Pine Manor Ln, Albany, GA 31707

Tony Fuscillaro
Summer Missionary to Brazil,
3203 Satcher Rd NW Dalton, GA 30721-7802