

# MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

## John Lennon: Eurasia

As the war rages in the Middle East, we receive messages each day from our Persian contacts sharing horrific stories of the torture and killings they witness. Even though progress is being made in the war efforts, the Islamic Republic is still threatening and harming the citizens of Iran to keep them in fear. Please pray for our dear brothers and sisters in the Lord who are continually being persecuted for their faith. Pray for those who have faced torture, trauma, and loss, that God will give them healing and peace in Him. Pray for a favorable outcome from the war so there will be freedom to worship, and that the gospel can be preached openly. Despite everything that the Iranian Christians are facing, there is a sense of hope that in the end, they will have freedom to worship. Hebrews 13:3 encourages us to remember those that are in prison, and those who suffer adversity.

Many have asked us if we are still relocating to Eurasia this fall considering the ongoing war nearby. Our answer is yes, Lord willing, we are still planning to move. In the meantime, we have been working on a new translation project with the 99 Adventures children's Bible curriculum series. It's the Preschool Adventures, a Bible curriculum for children aged 0-5 years old. According to UNICEF, there are over 6 million preschool age children in Iran in addition to the tens of thousands of Farsi speaking preschool children of the diaspora. This Bible curriculum includes lesson plans for teachers, Bible stories, suggested songs, Bible memory verses, Bible story coloring pages, and lesson reinforcement activities. The preschool edition of the 99 Adventures will be a great addition to our ministry resources as we facilitate teaching the gospel to the estimated 21 million Farsi language speaking children ages 0 - 14 years old.

Our translation team is ready to begin this project, and we estimate it to be completed by the end of the year. The investment for this new children's Bible curriculum is approximately \$6,000. Would you prayerfully consider a special gift to reach the more than 6 million preschool Farsi speaking children with the gospel? Would you consider a gift in dedication of your preschool age child or grandchild? What a wonderful legacy that would be. Gifts may be sent to our account at Daystar Baptist Mission and designated "Lennon Children's Project."

### SUNDAY SERVICES

- Worship 8:30 & 10:30am | Life Groups 9:30am

### LIFE GROUPS

- Cornerstone (18-30) Braving Adulthood with Biblical Passion (2nd floor gym)
- School of Tyrannus (Adult) Galatians (fellowship hall)
- New Horizons (45-60) Life of Christ (educational wing)
- Caring Life Group (55-75) Proverbs (educational wing)
- Graceful Life Group (70+) I Peter (educational wing)
- Ladies Sunday School: Titus 2 Women Adorned with the Gospel (office wing)

### WEDNESDAY SERVICES

- AWANA, TeenIMPACT - 6:45pm
- Adult & Young Adult Bible Study - 7pm

**Welcome**  
April 26, 2026

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- **TODAY: USHER/GREETER MEETING**

All ushers/greeters meet in the fellowship hall directly after the 10:30 service for a training meeting.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **4/30: SONSHINE CLUB**

Give and receive encouragement through this luncheon for our 60 and above friends. (Thursday 12-1 pm)

- **5/6: MISSIONARY UPDATE**

Missionary Cathy Thompson will update us on her 34 years serving in Hungary and Europe. (7 pm auditorium)

- **5/10: MOTHER'S DAY**

Look forward to this sweet day as Temple honors all the ladies who mentor us, pray for us, and love us.

- **5/13: AWANA AWARDS**

- **5/27: MISSIONARY UPDATE**

Missionary for 26 years, Carey Abbett, will update on his ministry in France.

- **5/31: SUMMER SUNDAY with ALIVE MINISTRIES**

Alive Ministries presents the story of Corrie Ten Boom, holocaust survivor at 10:30. Traditional Summer Sunday events will follow the service including a cookout, bounce house, and activities for the whole family.

## SERVE

### Nursery

**Today:** Rhonda Wells, Christina Whitlatch, Jenna Frails

**5/3:** Wendy Clark, Sheri Adams, Sherry Hopkins

### Toddler Church

**Today:** Rachel Neto, Ari Neto

**5/3:** Jenna Frails, Kayla West, Brittney Griffin

### Ushers

**Today:** Jason Lawrence, Rick Wells, Luke Morgan, Cameron West

**5/3:** Jason Stewart, Jordan Whitlatch, Steve Hoffman, Pete Matthews

### Offering

**Today:** Romantha Slape, Brenda Ragland

**5/3:** Darlene Tanner, Tammy Owens

## *Practicing "Putting On"*

*Colossians 3: 12-17*

- Mercy
- Kindness
- Humbleness
- Meekness
- Longsuffering
- Forbearance
- Forgiveness
- Charity