

Youth Pastor Search

- **Pastoral Search Task Team:** Pray for the members of our search team. John Crandle, Corey Couk, Pete Garrison, Kevin Kahila, Kendall King, Ray Lord, Julie Perrine, Larry Scharp, Diane Taylor, Bill VerMeulen, Cheryl VerMeulen, Pastor Steve, and Pastor Bill.
- **Pray for:**
 - Wisdom and unity for the search task team. We have phone interviews with possible candidates each of the next several weeks.
 - Kendall King, Pastor Bill & Pastor Steve as they lead the search task team.
 - God to be preparing the man He has chosen for us.
 - God to be preparing us for the man He has chosen.

Pray for the Sick & Hospitalized

- Please pray for **Ken and Nina Mannes**. Ken is now under Hospice care.
- Our missionary, **Vicki Benton**, is struggling with a kidney stone that may need surgery in the very near future.
- **Roger Munson** will be having surgery for his prostate cancer on July 23 in Florida.
- **Carrie Rowlands** having medical issues dealing with carbon monoxide poisoning.
- **Elmer & Janet Reisner's son, Dan**, recovering from surgery. Some complications, he will be at U of M for a few more days.
- **Please pray for the following people with ongoing health issues: Helen Sabin, Virginia Miller, Ana Campbell, Ken & Nina Mannes, John & Martha Schreur, Dr. Bower, Gary Marcy & Reva Williams, Duane & Joyce Hampton, Greg Cowan, Joel Miller, Francis & Janie Conner, Paul & Leola Johnson, Hal Pape, Ruth Fields, Alice Lauderdale, Dale Brown, Earl Christensen, Joyce Boubelik.**

Pray for Other Needs

- **Danielle Rayman**, Shirley Gregory's granddaughter, going on a missions trip to the Dominican Republic, July 3 for two weeks. Please pray for a successful and safe trip.
- **Stephen & Robin Webb** as they travel south for Stephen's step-dad's funeral.
- **Valentina Velkov** is waiting to hear about her mom's green card application.
- Pray for our **graduates** as they seek the Lord's guidance and direction for their futures.
- Pray for salvation: Carma Huitt's cousin, **Becky**
Sue VerMeulen's father, **Mitchell VanKruiningen**
- **Matt Wagner** has a lead on a job. Please pray for God's will to be done.
- People looking for work: **Lynne Potter, Valentina Velkov, Bobby Hicks** (Gary & Kathy Pross' son-in-law)

Praise

- Great Lunch with our **Teen Missions Trip Team**. Almost \$2,000 was raised!!!

Featured Events

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| MAY | 31 | Office Closed for Memorial Day |
| JUNE | 2 | NO Wednesday Night Meetings |
| | 6 | Baptism & Right Hand of Fellowship |
| | 8 | Kimberly Rowland's bridal shower |

Jerry & Kathy Davis - Togo (Short Term)

Your prayers have been felt and are being implemented. God is good and has allowed us to adjust well to the weather and to our surroundings. Jerry is getting up to speed with the administration staff and has meetings, meetings and more meetings. He is enjoying renewing old friendships and meeting new staff. Spending all morning at the office means a two-hour lunch and swim which he is enjoying very much. I have been working on getting together projects I will be working on for the next four months. There is plenty of opportunity to help in so many areas, I have been trying to pace myself. Yesterday we became the host of 15 people saying good-bye to short-termers leaving. Then there was help needed moving missionaries from one house to another and the new guest house rooms are still being put together, so you see there is always lots to do. We had dinner with the DeKrygers Friday night and enjoyed the children's excitement over their gifts. Todd had to rush back for surgery so we had a very short time with him. They are very busy and had just returned the day before from Mango. It's exciting to hear what is going on up there and how Todd and Jenny's love for those people are growing. All in all, between the pizza party and dinner and swimming and hymn sings and sitting and sharing with the missionaries, we are suffering for the Lord in Togo. We truly are happy to be here and pray each day we will be used for God's glory. Thank you for your prayers and please continue.

Ryan & Gretchen Rought - Costa Rica

We are absolutely rejoicing as we reflect on all that the Lord did through May's team TACTICA. In the next month we'll compile a more in-depth prayer letter to share more praises and miracles on what God is doing within the law enforcement community here in Central America. We love you all and acknowledge that we could not continue to minister without your continued support and steadfast prayer.

Bob & Shirley Cropsey - Togo / USA

Praises and Prayer Prompts:

- ◇ God's traveling mercies in thousands of miles traveled and the many wonderful brothers and sisters in Christ He has brought into our lives that are eager to serve and live for Him.
- ◇ For God's amazing provision in resources and people in both Bangladesh's Renewal Project and the Wendell Kempton Medical and Ministry Center in Mango, Togo.
- ◇ Pray for critical needs in physician shortage in the Gambia and the ongoing need of short term surgeons in Togo.
- ◇ Pray for God to use the May 29 Anniversary at the Karolyn Kempton Memorial Christian Hospital to be a great opportunity for us to share Christ with the many dignitaries who will come. Pray it will also be a great opportunity to encourage our Togolese to join us in being missionaries to the new hospital in Mango.
- ◇ Pray that God will bring a great group of healthcare professionals out to our upcoming Medical Mission Interface at ABWE in Harrisburg June 11-13.
- ◇ Pray that Shirley will experience some relief with pain intervention and wisdom for her doctors (and husband) in caring for her.

Featured Missionary
Sarah Damick - The Gambia

Prayer Requests / Praises

- Praise God that my container finally arrived and that all things were intact once opened.
- Praise God for a great Easter social held for our workers. All that were invited came and heard of Christ's resurrection.
- Pray for continued perseverance as I struggle with language and try to learn more each week. It has been very difficult for me to catch on to things past greeting people.
- Please continue to pray for our teammates still raising support. Each is getting closer and longs to be on the field.
- Pray also for a family friend who, I have learned this week, was admitted to the hospital for multiple blood clots throughout her lungs, heart, and legs. Pray for her recovery and wisdom for the doctors treating her.



Glenn & Becky Kerr - Bibles International

Would you pray with us about the following things?

- * Becky's mother is in regular pain, with several health issues. We were glad to see her in Minnesota last week, but she needs your prayers for freedom from pain. She knows the Lord, and has remained faithful in her walk with Him for these many years.
- * I have been diagnosed with mild osteo-arthritis in the knees. My doctor has given me shots to counteract it, and the prognosis is good. It will be even better if you pray with me.
- * My Spanish language skills continue to improve, and they will be helped while I am in Peru. But my greatest test is coming in November and December, when I need to teach a course on Hebrew language to Spanish-speaking Bible translators. Pray that I pass the test.
- * On July 1, Bibles International will host our consultants for seven days of intensive seminar training and discussion. An African linguist and Bible translator, Ettien Koffi, will be teaching us many things. Please pray that this time will sharpen us all intellectually and spiritually.
- * I am writing my doctoral dissertation during all this travel. Please pray that I can keep my focus on getting it done this year.
- * Becky is the best wife a man could have, and she cares for me even when I am gone. Pray that God would sustain her and keep things moving smoothly for her while I am gone and when I am home, too.

Thank you for your fellowship with us in the ministry of Bible translation.

Larry & Pat Groat - Hispanic Ministry

Prayer requests:

- Our many single parents raising children alone.
- Those who have become weary and discouraged in the Christian life.
- Teens finishing classes and the struggles of peer pressure.
- Financial help for children and teens desiring to go to Camp.
- Ongoing plans for retirement at the end of the year and the transition from the Hispanic ministry.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in person as we visit our churches. Our thanks and appreciation for your partnership in ministry these nearly 40 years.