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## The Abbotts

Cameroon



Serving with World Team, Barry and Desma Abbott have faithfully shared the Gospel among the Baka people for more than 20 years through storytelling and discipleship ministry. This year, they made the hard decision to come off the field and move to Tennessee to be present for family members.

### Please pray for:

1. Adjustment as they return to live in the U.S. after two decades abroad.
2. God to speak and open doors for His next calling in their lives.
3. Rest and reflection.
4. God's protection over Desma's health.

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## The Anascos

Go To Nations



After 20 years on the mission field in Asia, David and Christine Anasco now serve at the Go To Nations World Headquarters in Jacksonville, Florida, where they train and equip all new GTN missionaries. As part of a three-month internship module, the Anascos teach interns the Disciple-Making Movement (DMM) methodology.

### Please pray for:

1. The Lord to send more workers for the mission field to train with Go To Nations.
2. For God to uplift their recruiting efforts in area churches and Bible schools.
3. God's blessings in the mental, physical and financial adjustment to American life after more than 20 years abroad.

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## The Clarks

Papua New Guinea



Christopher & Darlene Clark work with Wycliffe Bible Translators in PNG. Christopher is a helicopter and airplane pilot and mechanic who flies Bible translators into remote regions. Darlene teaches children of missionaries at a school in Ukarumpa.

### Please pray for:

1. Successful Bible translation efforts in PNG.
2. Enthusiasm for their outreaches in remote areas.
3. Guidance for son Nathan, who plans to return to PNG as a missionary teacher.
4. Guidance for son Nehemiah (in college in US) and daughter Hannah as they continue their schooling.
5. Protection from sickness, opposition, physical struggles.

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## Rita Cordero

Australia



Rita Cordero helped pioneer YWAM Sunshine Coast's Discipleship Bible School and staffed its Discipleship Training School, where students are trained to effectively preach the Gospel in different cultural contexts, prepare sermons and lead Bible studies. In the past year, she has discipled more than two dozen disciples who are making disciples.

### Please pray for:

1. Clarity and wisdom as she steps into new roles.
2. Provision of students and staff for our upcoming schools.
3. Healing and protection over her health.
4. Continued breakthrough and revelations in my and students' lives.
5. Financial provision

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## The Crespos

Tenerife (Spain)



Originally from Venezuela, David & Moraima Crespo are serving the Lord in Santa Ursula, Tenerife. They are discipling couples with young children and many needs; mentoring the current leaders of the church in town and training new leaders; and also mentoring leaders of the church in Adeje.

### Please pray for:

1. God to work in the lives of the young couples and families they are mentoring.
2. God to bless their family's finances, that may have the necessary financial support.
3. God to sustain and strengthen the Santa Ursula church leaders (Jorge, Luis and David) and raise up a new generation of leaders.

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## S & H

Middle East



S & H are a Maryland couple working with an Arab population, helping administrate a language school and tourism company. Arriving in the region in January 2025, they are quickly making connections and sharing the Gospel even as they learn the language and adjust to life in a new culture with an infant.

### Please pray for:

1. Great health for their newborn daughter and mom.
2. Smooth re-acclimation upon return to the mission field after the birth of baby.
3. Retention of the Arabic language.
4. Strength as they adjust to being parents while still adjusting to a new culture and language.

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## The Forrests

South Africa



Jim and Jen Forrest left their home in Rockville to serve with Engineering Ministries International in Cape Town, South Africa. Using her civil engineering background, Jen serves as EMI's intern coordinator and also tutors local children. A retired engineering construction manager, Jim oversees EMI construction projects across southern Africa.

### Please pray for:

1. Pray for the graduating interns' progression in their faith and work, guidance for Jen as she gets to know incoming EMI interns.
2. Oversight on Jim's work at the Minga Mission Hospital, Fire Redemption Church in Khayelitsha, and a new educational center in Malawi.

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## Grace & Mehmet Ali

Middle East



Grace and Mehmet Ali share their faith through online resources, personal relationships with believers/seekers, and a deaf ministry. Their team hopes to see fellowships begin in many sub-provinces, some of which have no known believers.

### Please pray for:

1. God to open doors into the deaf community, nurture relationships with deaf individuals.
2. Continued progress learning local sign language.
3. God's guidance in parenting two strong-willed daughters
4. God's protection for a woman they minister to, who has faced great trials and family abandonment since coming to Christ a few years ago.

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## The N Family

Central Asia



The "N Family"—husband, wife, two daughters—have left behind their home in Maryland to answer God's call to reach the predominantly Muslim Uyghur population in central Asia. This is a call that the husband has felt since childhood. For the past year, they have been language students and seeking, with a DMM mindset, to engage and build relationships with locals.

### Please pray for:

1. Protection, safety, and good health.
2. God's guidance as they adjust to life, living and raising a family in a new country, culture, and language.
3. God to open hearts as they seek to build connections with locals.

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## The Rivenbarks

Northern Virginia



Richard and April Rivenbark disciple Muslims in the Northern Virginia area, primarily working with people from Iran, Afghanistan, and Pakistan.

### Please pray for:

1. Connections and friendships with Muslim neighbors in their apartment building.
2. Effectiveness of social media ads in Urdu seeking out those interested in the Truth.
3. Muslims to have dreams and visions of Jesus.
4. Churches in the DC area to be equipped to share the Gospel with the many Muslims around them.

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## David S.

India



Pastor David plants churches and shares the Gospel, primarily working with three unreached people groups in southern India.

### **Please pray for:**

1. Financial resources and partners for a new medical ministry reaching rural areas with weekly camps.
2. God's provision of land and resources to build permanent church buildings in caste-sensitive areas.
3. God to remove barriers so all people can worship and hear the Gospel.
4. Protection of believers and church leaders from rampant persecution.

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## Lana Vasquez

Life Impact International



Lana founded Life Impact International 20+ years ago to rescue exploited and trafficked children in Thailand & Burma. In 2025, LI rescued 32 kids and expanded prevention efforts to 800 others along the Thai-Burma border. LI also now works in Brazil, with programs to keep kids away from exploitation and child labor.

### **Please pray for:**

1. God to renew and refresh Lana as she oversees programs across the globe.
2. God's blessings over LI's new shelter on Thai-Burma border and its first safe home in the interior of the Amazon.
3. Energy and wisdom for the many missionaries serving LI in Thailand, Burma, Rio, Juazeiro and the Amazon.
4. Healing for children and their families.

## Oakdale WIG Countries Prayer Times

**Tuesday 8:30 p.m.**

**(Zoom)**

Praying for Oakdale's international missionaries

**Wednesday 7 a.m.**

**(Zoom)**

Praying for WIG global components

**Wednesday 10 a.m.**

**(Oakdale Music Room)**

Praying for international missions

Use QR code (or go to [oakdale.church/prayer](https://oakdale.church/prayer)) to access Zoom links and prayer schedule:

