



**Knox
World
Mission**



PRAYER CALENDAR
October 2020

COVER PHOTO

Bill and Vicki Wood founded Knox Dinner and Food bank 21 years ago. This is a photo of Bill and his friend Joe, one of Toronto's less fortunate. Until January, the program will be limited to food hampers.

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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn, East Africa. Pray for Bill as he recovers from his heart valve replacement, Sept 23. Remember the team of L2L, working in Kenya to carry on the ministry, and may God's Word continue to be spread abroad in East Africa.

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel, Arizona. *Praise God* for the healing He is bringing to the world-class Bible study leader and family we asked you to pray for. Pray for Jack and the Board of the United World Mission as they meet this **October 2 and 3** to support faculty and students in 172 Seminaries world-wide and undergird 378 missionaries in 55 countries. Last year these missionaries planted 234 new churches and directly equipped 6000 leaders.

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Sylvia Dresser, Papua, Indonesia. Praise! Five months after the due date, Walter Kennedy received a five-year visa. Bible School in Merauke may not admit the first-year group due to the cost of the COVID test and travel – out of reach for most indigenous Papuans. Pray also that my second shoulder replacement on Oct 5 will go well.

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Dave & Rani. Devanand is in touch with pastors in India and Nepal. He will be teaching and encouraging pastors via zoom. Rani meets with local contacts using social media but also prays with folks in India. Deepak continues to need prayer as he goes to school for only two days for 2 hours.

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Ann Chow, Event & Project Management. Pray for the running of two events at the same time with IJM Canada (Jesus & Justice) and Christian technology labs (hackathons) in 55 cities around the world from Oct 9 – 18. Pray for last-minute planning and that God is glorified.

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C & K. Praise the LORD that some companies in the portfolio are experiencing a rebound in business, and in some cases, even stronger than expected business opportunities – an unexpected Covid-19 “silver lining.” Pray for other companies that continue to be seriously affected by new lockdowns, restricting recovery. We are observing an uptick in enquiries about Christ and other encouraging signs of spiritual response, often as a result of our business leaders reaching out in service marked by compassion and commitment.

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Luke & Yuko Elliot, OMF, Japan. After a spring & summer slowdown by COVID – 19 concerns, our schedule is picking up. Luke is preaching once a month at Kuroishi Church again. Oct 11 will preach at the Evangelical Church of Aomori. Oct 12, the ACC steering committee will meet, and Luke will present an updated version of their vision for ACC (several new members on the committee).

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Rosemary Walker, AIM, Montreal. Last month, Rosemary enjoyed time in Ontario, visiting family and friends and working for a few days at the new Africa Inland Mission office in Toronto. Now back Montreal, she has been settling into her home, translating for the mission and picking up with neighbours, etc. May God give Essam & Raeda (her former tenants), Annie, Marvin, Leona and others a hunger to know the Truth and open doors for Rosemary to share His Word.

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, LAM, Canada. Pray for Latin American Missions Canada. We have been working on starting this network for the past year and will have an official launch on **Oct 10**. Pray for this vision to connect Latins in Missions. We are grateful that we continue to meet at Celebration Church.

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Gus & Marliese Ketola, London. We thank God that Gus was not injured in the car accident he experienced, in which his car was a total write off. They continue to seek ways to contact our Middle Eastern friends whom we help with English.

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, Taiwan. Praise God for 70 years of Christian mission among the Ngudradrekai people in southern Taiwan. May churches rejoice and grow as they use their 2017 Bible. May God also bless the teams translating Mark's Gospel into three smaller related dialects: Maolin, Tona and Wanshan.

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David & Susan Jeffery, Wycliffe, BC. Susan is training a library assistant to help with the circulation work during Fall Term. Pray that G. will learn well and enjoy her responsibilities. Also pray that her and her

husband's home assignment will be a time of healing. Their first term in Asia had some significant encouragements, but was quite stressful and even hurtful at times.

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Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. Requests for counselling exceed what is possible. Mentoring counsellors is necessary. May the Lord grant wisdom, strength and gifts for the colossal task to strengthen believers in the Kingdom! She is grateful that after 8 months, Canadian financial support is reaching me again!

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Xerggyo & Hil. They were so thankful for the prayers of many people. After booking their flight to return home, they were granted a visa at the last minute. They are so excited to see this as God's direction for ongoing ministry to the people they have come to love.

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Dominique Goold, IVCF, Ryerson. Pray for Ryerson students and me as we try innovative ways to meet potential future student leaders to partner with us. Pray for students as they navigate isolation as students and be more proactive for mental, emotional and spiritual support. Dom continues course on trauma care, where she will also learn how to care for people in this collective trauma of the pandemic.

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Hanneke Cost Budde, AIM, Tanzania. Mahona has a job in an orphanage. Pray he will be hired in a teaching job. Faraja is doing his final exam for 7th grade (to prepare for Secondary school). Mfaume is doing finals to finish 1st-year pharmacy. Pray for our Bible School: We have three classes with eager students who pay their way to come from villages for two weeks per month to study to become evangelists.

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Wayne and Helen Hancock, ThreeFold Ministries. Join Wayne in giving thanks to God for an excellent and encouraging meeting of the Board in Sept, for continued financial support and local Nicaraguan churches starting to have events at Skylark with appropriate health measures in place. God is good, and we praise Him.

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. Praise God that our new pastor is willing to combine efforts for the community health team to teach alongside some ministry guys in the villages. It has encouraged us all.

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Geri Rodman, IVCF, staff development Coach. Pray for staff training in South American countries. This training assists staff to minister in a virtual world. Pray for creative evangelism with students and for Geri, as she supports these leaders in a problematic pandemic leadership situation.

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Bill and Sheila McKelvie, Interserve. Continue to pray for SaCHA and Imroze as he leads the team in distributing food, medical kits and mosquito nets to the flood-affected villages they work in Sindh, Pakistan. Sheila needs wisdom in how to promote missions in Atlantic Canada during these times of restrictions.

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change. Pray for local campuses as they continue to gather and minister to both new and returning students, and for Christian students as they engage their friends with the Gospel through online campus Alpha. Pray for my creative Communications team as we explore possible new ways of engaging students digitally – we need creativity and Spirit-led wisdom!

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Khevna Dave, The Mission HUB, Knox. We are thankful for God's activities online. Pray for more students to be praying regularly with one another in community gatherings, and pray for a special prayer walk event we are hosting in-person.

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Gord & Brenda Nickerson, Josiah Venture, Canada/ Eastern Europe/USA. Over the last few months, I have been at taking my Doctoral Thesis and rewriting it into a book on *Engaging in Global Youth Ministry*. Pray now for guidance as I begin the editing and publishing process. The summer camp ministry throughout Central & Eastern Europe has looked quite different from previous summers due to COVID restrictions. However, the ministry has continued, and we hear many stories of many young lives introduced to Christ, and leaders being trained and equipped through music and sports camps, online training, canoe trips, and lots of one on one or small group meetings.

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Mary Jane Fandrich, Ontario. A heart attack pares you down, and I am struggling for recovery. Pray for healing of pericarditis and water around the heart. Sandra Whittall has insisted on keeping me with her for November and December. She is a God-send for me.

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Chyrl Basa, FFM, Toronto. October is a busy month as we gear up to prepare for the FFM Day of Prayer on **Nov 14**. We are also preparing to write and distribute the December issue of the FFM Prayer Bulletin. Pray for Norine as she writes the prayer bulletin and also pray that God will lead and bless the preparation for the upcoming Day of Prayer.

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S. Payne, Japan. “I seem to be nearly fully recovered from my broken collar bone, and now I’m plunged into classes. I’m teaching 14 classes a week, so I am tired all the time! I started my *Intro to Christianity* course and have a handful of students, but I am encouraged already. Prayer requested: Strength, energy and inspiration, and restful sleep at night!”

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Phase 2: Patsy McCarthy, David & Angela Morris, Diane Dadian, John & Deborah Bowen, Norine Love, Eleanor Crabtree, and Marg Roth, Barbara Hanna, Gladys Linthicum, Glenn & Fern Byerly, Jim Mason, Clarence & Cathy McMullen, Elaine Esser, who is recovering from a carpal tunnel operation and a freak accident.

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Jim Mason, Challenge Enterprise, Ghana. This year’s conferences will be telecast on selected Television stations and streamed on YouTube.

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Barbara Rahn, Cambridge. “For some years, I have been marking Bible Correspondence courses from prisoners. The courses they take are comprehensive.

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Donna Dong, InterVarsity Canada. Pray for coordination of scheduling, as Donna meets and supports students, InterVarsity staff, and other Christian pastors and teachers of scripture.

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City Missions, Food Banks. Individuals who minister to street people, hungry and homeless. Salvation Army, Toronto City Mission, Evangel Hall, Yonge Street Mission, Scott Mission, Urban Promise and Knox Dinner and Food Bank,