

But Jesus said, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children." Matthew 19:14

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The Gospel proclaimed. In late August Dr. Alex McCombie was in palliative care, eagerly awaiting Heaven. Sylvan responded to this news that years ago a Knox College professor "was astounded at the number and diversity of young people at Knox Church. He wanted to know the secret. Dr McCombie replied that the reason was that at Knox the Gospel is proclaimed regularly, and if you do that, young people will come." Praise God for Dr. McCombie's heart for ministry and mission!

Luke & Yuko Elliot, Aomori Christian Center, Japan. "Praise for God's blessing and protection over the summer Bible camps." They were blessed to have a ministry coordinator and two Bible school students join the camp staff. Children's Bible camp was over capacity and new churches sent staff and campers. "Luke and Yuko (and the three boys) leave for a six-month home assignment at the end of August. Pray for ongoing work on the new building in their absence."

Susan Jeffery, CANIL, Abbotsford. "I am hosting Carol, a retired Wycliffe U.S. colleague, from Aug. 30th to Sept. 26th. Carol is teaching CanIL's Language and Culture Acquisition course. Pray for the equipping of her students with these important skills; for good health for us both; and stamina for Carol, teaching a full-term course in half a term. As well, please pray for Carol and me as we live together and relate; that our time together will bless us."

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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn, East Africa.

They've been trying to bring their 3 top Kenyan leaders to Canada this fall for some valuable consultations, but "Canada's foreign visa processes are as bunged up as their 2022 passport system!" and everything's just on hold. Please pray that this administrative blockage will be resolved, visas will be approved, and that they'll be able to schedule an acceptable alternative timetable for this visit.

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Khevna & Sharon, Knox Missions Hub.

"Praise God for our recent leaders' retreat and for establishing new prayer leaders for our monthly Luke 10:2 Gatherings. Please pray for us as we launch Friday Morning Prayer for students and also launch a new cohort of Missions Disciplers for the upcoming school year!"

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change.

"Giving thanks for a wonderful staff conference in August! Pray for incoming students, that those who don't know Jesus would become friends with Christians and encounter Jesus, that Christians would find friends and a community both on campus and in a local church where they can flourish and continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus."

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Hanneke Cost Budde, Tanzania. "Pray for my travel to Canada. I am fully vaccinated but there was no problem getting the code which I need for Canada."

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Colin & Rachel, AIM. "Rachel and the other teachers at Wellspring are gearing up for another Homeschool Week, September 26-30." Missionary kids living in remote parts of the country build friendships with other kids their age and experience a great week-long program. Pray for teachers and students, especially for students who may feel nervous about coming. "Pray for Colin continuing to meet with key church leaders to learn, ask questions, and explore mission mobilization possibilities for the future."

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. "Shortly after I return to Uganda next month, I will testify in court on the behalf of a friend's daughter who was attacked. Please pray for wisdom in interacting with the Ugandan justice system and supporting the very vulnerable family."

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel. "Please pray for Mary Anne and Jack, as they spend the month of September preparing and interceding for a four-day Prayer Retreat they will lead in Medellin, Colombia, in early October. Pray that God would prepare the hearts (and finances) of the Seminary faculty members and students who will attend and that, in His great mercy and grace, God would meet each of us deeply and transformationally."

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Missions Sunday at Knox, September 25th. Ask for the Spirit's blessing on this one-day focus on Missions. Pray that the Lord would prepare the hearts of all who will attend, both Knox missionaries and those who will hear (perhaps for the first time) of the work God is doing here and beyond us. We'll learn how the resources and people He has blessed Knox with are bringing the Gospel.

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Missions Sunday at Knox, September 25th, (cont'd). Pray for all those critical details. Travel arrangements, additional gatherings on the 24th, meetings, electronic communications, the speakers, food, times of prayer and reunion, COVID. May this be a great time of spiritual refreshment and renewal.

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Gord & Brenda Nickerson, Josiah Venture, Fort Worth, Texas. During the summer months JV staff have been sharing the Gospel with thousands of European young people at sports, English, and performing arts camps throughout Central and Eastern Europe. Many camps were attended by displaced Ukraine young people—pray especially as workers seek to connect them with church youth ministries and believers so they can learn more of who Jesus really is.

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Sylvan Payne, Japan. "I'm doing well. Earlier this month we both tested positive with Covid but only had mild flu symptoms." Thankfully it happened on the summer break and didn't interrupt teaching. "I'd like prayer as I start my final semester of full-

time teaching. Pray that I can finish well and have opportunities to share my faith ... in a meaningful way. Pray that my Parkinson's symptoms don't get in the way and that I can overcome."

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Gus & Marliese, London. "I've been emailing with an old friend in Tripoli who has asked me for help in a difficult situation. We plan to communicate using Skype at a convenient time. Please pray for him and the discussions we'll have. Additionally, I continue ESL with the new Canadian friends I have."

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Dave & Rani, Brampton. "We are encountering many international students who traverse the laneway by our home and have meaningful conversations with them. Many are lonely and feel lost. Please pray for us and them as we point them to the LORD. Please pray for Rani's sister, Anu, who continues to suffer from bipolar disease; she is in bad shape and is not motivated to do much."

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I & S. Perspectivas, Brasil. The 10/40 Window refers to the region of the world holding the most people with the least access to the Good News of Jesus. I & S have been discerning a move to the 10/40 Window for quite a long time and went on an August vision trip to decide in person. Please do pray for God's leading. "We are hopeful to begin this move at the end of 2023!"

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Wayne & Helen Hancock, Threefold Ministries, Nicaragua. "We value your prayers as we launch our fall campaign to raise support for the vital work that we do in the community of Los Medranos through our staff at the Skylark Centre. Pray that God will provide all that is needed so that our vital programs for children, youth and

adults may continue to impact many lives with the gospel of Jesus."

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Elizabeth Matthias, MTW, Germany.

"Prayers are answered for abundant blessings on home service in western Canada! I'm here until the 15th and then with you in TO and at Knox (!) until the 29th. Conversations and counseling sessions have been deep and meaningful. May the Spirit continue to guide and provide for His purposes! Thank you so much for your friendship and support! It means so much to me!"

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Chyrl Basa, FFM. Praise God for a successful hybrid Day of Prayer on August 13th! Pray that we can gather more faithful prayer warriors to join, in person and on Zoom. Praise God for a new board member from a Muslim majority country, young and ready to serve. Answer to prayer! Pray for God's financial provision and that He would raise up more young people to join this ministry.

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan. "May God provide good health for Rev Manias, the 83-year-old lead translator of the Bunun Bible. May the Lord help him, and the team finalize the translation this month."

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Sylvia Dresser. "A recent graduate of TEAM's theological college on the north coast of Papua has returned to his home area in the Awyu area of the south coast. He plans to open a Bible School to train Awyu speaking church leaders. Pray that he will have wisdom and provision for the task. Myosook Sohn, the Korean translator in the Awyu has almost completed the translation of the New Testament."

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C & K. "Thank the Lord for a resolution to the crisis in one company that you prayed for last month. Pray now for the business to recover and be able to press forward in new strength and capacity towards the fulfilment of its purpose in one of the most extremely difficult countries on earth. C asks prayer for wisdom and strength as he travels this month to Bangladesh to counsel a company there with many challenges."

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Ann Chow, Event & Project

Management. Please pray as the Asia2023 operations team continues to form and set up solid infrastructure for a 2000-person student missions congress in Bangkok, July 2023. This congress is to be planned by wonderful Asian Christians, for Asians. "#HACK2022 currently has 72 Champions, hosting in 54 cities around the world, in 33 countries, with more signing up every day. Please pray as we train and invite participants to join us this October."

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, LAM. "I praise God for the fruitfulness and for his blessings over my leadership of LAM for the past 15 years. I have accepted the board's offer of the position of "Global Missionary Ambassador." I need God's blessings, empowerment, and direction over this new phase of my life and ministry. Your prayers and support are most appreciated."

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S & H. "We have been having an amazing time with our families and friends. We are looking forward to seeing our family in our new home soon. Remember the new believers who face many challenges and dangers."

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Jim Mason, SIM, Ghana. Some donors

are having challenges sending shipments to Accra. Pray the Lord will intervene. CEG Bookshops work in a very difficult economic environment with a severely depreciating local currency—pray for funds to restock the depleting stock for the coming peak season. The Emmaus Correspondence Course is a great tool for discipleship in the prisons. Pray that inmates will complete the course successfully, and for sponsorships to pay for course materials.

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Alpha and Neighbourhood Outreach.

These may not, strictly-speaking, be under the KWM banner, but both involve local witness to the Gospel, in feet-on-theground ways. Let's be praying for plans to support single mothers in the neighbourhood, and for believers with time, energy, and vision for hosting Alpha programs again.

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KWM leadership. Lift up Pastor Nestor and the KWM Committee. Ask that the Lord guide in all decisions, as they add new members to the Committee and plan. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." Prov. 3:5 & 6

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Phase II Workers. John & Deborah Bowen, Glenn & Fern Byerly, Eleanor Crabtree, Diane Dadian, Elaine Esser ("May the Lord provide His wisdom and teachers for the fall programs at [Knox]"), Gladys Linthicum, Norine Love, Patsy McCarthy, Clarence & Cathy McMullen, David & Angela Morris, Barbara Rahn (Her sister Carol in Indiana must move with her disabled son Daniel to a different city some distance away. Please pray for a good realtor who will help them thoroughly and reasonably.), Marg Roth, Pamela Stedman, Diana Wadsworth.