

Gord and Brenda Nickerson, Josiah Venture, enjoying time with their grandchildren.

Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel. "Knox helped support Jorge Atiencia at Regent. "Pray for vision and anointing for [Jorge] and leaders from 15 Nations, meeting today. They teach expository preaching to thousands of Pastors in Latin America." Praise God indeed for the long-term blessings that keep following the faithfulness of God's people, here in Toronto, Latin America, around the world.

Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. "The Discovering Change classes in our church have begun well and continue for the first three Tuesdays of this month. May the Spirit grant insight and passion to tackle real change in our lives! Counseling and mentoring continue by the Spirit--only!

Please pray for these things as well as my home service to PA from July to mid-August—including a layover week with vou!"

Gord & Brenda Nickerson, Josiah **Venture.** They will join the rest of the Josiah Venture staff and families at the Annual Spring Conference in the Czech Republic, May 3-7. The theme conference verse is 1 Cor 15:58: "...your labor in the Lord is not in vain." After two years of COVID and the ongoing war in Ukraine, many staff are tired. "Our role at the conference will be encouraging and shepherding our younger staff. Pray for good relational connections and safe travels."

Diana Wadsworth. Remember our Diana in her recovery from a damaged hip. Exercises are ongoing. Eleanor Crabtree. Eleanor is still doing well. Her second round of chemo was to have been in late April, and the third will be May 23-24. "Pray that I may tolerate any side effects in the future. Also, the battery in my Pacemaker needs to be changed soon. I know the Lord will work out the timing of all this."

Dave & Rani, Brampton. "Please continue to pray for Rani's health. Her diet continues to be very limited, and she continues to lose weight while the abdominal pains persist. Please pray for Deepak's discipline and focus. Thank God that we are able to share Good News with more newcomers in our neighbourhood and community in Brampton."

6 Luke & Yuko Elliot, Aomori Christian **Center, Japan.** After a three-year delay due to COVID, the Elliots are excited to finally be welcoming and hosting David

Noble's building team until May 16. "Pray that this building project will be all the more blessed for having been delayed so long, that the new building will be a blessing to many for generations to come, that it will be finished well, that the Lord will greatly bless every hand contributing to its construction, and that God will cause His light to shine forth from this place into the surrounding darkness."

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Sylvia Dresser. "Praise God!" With son Andrew's dialysis catheter apparently working, he was to have started dialysis in April. "The Bruce family have left Saman for a furlough period. Pray that Simson and the other men working on translation will make some progress. The Smith family have returned to Saman after furlough."

8 Susan Jeffery, CANIL, Abbotsford.

"Please pray for Linda, one of CanlL's new Summer Term applicants. She started having knee pains some weeks back and has since been hospitalized as the doctors haven't been able to diagnose her problem and she can no longer walk. Neurological-related issues are suspected. Linda needs to learn how to walk all over again. Pray for a full recovery by the end of May, Lord willing. She is keen to study at CanlL in person this summer."

Beth and Scott Hurd (National Director, OMF Canada). "Please pray for the changing seasons — not only the transition from winter to spring, but also the changing seasons in our lives and ministry as we balance our work with OMF and supporting and caring for family in three different locations: Ottawa, Parry Sound, and Pennsylvania, USA. Give thanks for God's sustaining grace and pray for humility and grace as we invest in the lives of those we seek to serve."

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Khevna & Sharon, Knox Missions Hub.

"Praise God for our Friday Prayer, Missions Disciplers and Discipleship meetings ending well for the semester! Please pray for students to continue taking bold steps of faith, especially for those who are preparing to go on short term summer missions trips this summer."

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I & S. Perspectivas, Brasil. After a month of intensive trainings, now "all of the leaders in the movement will be leading trainings themselves across various regions of Brazil so that many may be sent to unreached peoples. Please lift up these times. Also, May 11th is our due date! Please pray for us as we practice being new parents, and for a safe delivery."

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, LAM.

They are organizing free workshops on biblical expository preaching for Spanish/Portuguese-speaking leaders. In the GTA (May 18-20th), https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/seminario-predicacion-expositivapregacao-expositivatoronto-may-18-20-tickets-551627792577. In Montreal (May 21-23), https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/554683211417. Please pray for those leading these

workshops and for all participants.

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Chyrl Basa, FFM. FFM is grateful for your prayers for—and participation in—today's Day of Prayer, which will be held as an inperson meeting at Christ Almighty Baptist Church (83 Commonwealth Ave., Scarborough ON) and is also available via Zoom. Contact Chyrl at ffm.toronto@sympatico.ca (before 9:30 a.m., EST).

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Mother's Day. We praise God for His blessing of mothers. Eve, Sarah, Hannah,

Elizabeth, Mary... Add your own mother's name to the list!

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Ann Chow, Event & Project

Management. "Thank you for your prayers. On May 24-25, I'll be meeting in Los Angeles for Lausanne Movement planning meetings for Seoul 2024. Would really appreciate prayer as we continue planning the program together."

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Marg Roth. "I am so thankful that our Bible Study group has become more regular in meeting and numbers now." Marg would appreciate prayer for a couple who absolutely deny the existence of God and at the same time are angry with Him. Also please pray for a Christian man who is battling depression, and a dear sister-in-law daily struggling with the ravages of ALS. "How I appreciate all the dear prayer warriors at Knox. Thank you and many blessings."

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. "Our mission pastor has now left the field and our other pastor colleague in a nearby city will be on leave for the summer. The mission is eager to hear more from our clinic chaplain as he takes on the leadership of our mission church. We do not know yet what it will look like to support him and work with his ministry team. May God unify us all for His glory."

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S & H. "May the LORD guide us during this time of waiting to re-apply for our resident permit in T. Next week, we are starting to travel around villages to visit our small communities who are still supporting the project for T. Pray for a wonderful time together, worshipping the LORD."

19 Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn, East Africa.

"[T]here are now 52 active schools with 918 registered students in Tanzania, Kenya, and Uganda." (This exciting April report is already out of date!) "We now have a team in Uganda ... starting 6 more Local Bible Institutes with an expected new enrollment of more than 100. The longing for good Bible teaching is huge. Please praise God with us for these thousand students and pray their personal lives and their churches will be deeply blessed."

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Mary Jane Fandrich. "There is an encouraging uptick in opportunity to personally witness to my Muslim neighbors who are experiencing difficulties in life and fumbling for solutions." Mary Jane is no longer on her church's missionary list, but "this has been a source of turning to God for renewed commitment and humility under His Hand. God's ways are inscrutable, but He is the Way."

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan.

"May God continue to oversee typesetting and proofreading of the complete Bunun Bible. May God bless the Paiwan team as they review books in their Old Testament draft translation."

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Gus & Marliese, London. "Greetings from London. We have started a Bible study in a local mall. Pray for the two other participants. I still meet with the Yazidi family as well. In addition, I continue with the Palestinian and, when available, with the Metis family."

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change.

"Pray for mission trips May/June—'Desert Rain,' Vietnam, Nations Next Door (int'l students, Edmonton), Praxis Ottawa—for participants & those they will serve. Pray for staff not on these trips, who will be working on a variety of special projects this

summer, and for students starting summer jobs—that they will continue to grow and continue to learn to trust God in daily life."

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Hanneke Cost Budde, Tanzania. Thonia, one of her Bible school students, a diabetic, went to the hospital to have a foot wound dressed, and learned that two toes and part of her foot needed to be amputated. No insurance and the family (which has other big health concerns) needs to come up with the money. Thonia won't be able to finish the Bible course. "I know that you will join us in our prayers for her!" Update: Hanneke received a call that the surgery was cancelled as the dead tissue seems to have revived!

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Colin & Rachel McCordic, AIM. "We give praise for Colin finishing his degree at Tyndale. Thank you to all who have been praying faithfully these past few years while he was on this journey! His graduation ceremony is later this month. Please pray for us as we now look to making steps towards returning to Chad in 2024. Pray as we look to raise prayer and financial support."

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Wayne & Helen Hancock, Threefold Ministries, Nicaragua. Give thanks to God for Mauricio our local operations manager who has been teaching the first segment of our Christian Leadership Training program with a new group of eager local leaders. Pray for Pastor Deane who begins remote teaching in May. Pray that there will be smooth and reliable internet connections while he teaches.

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Jim Mason, Challenge Enterprises, Ghana. "Thank God for the growing relationship between the missionaries and the Fulani community. Pray for divine protection and provision to meet the needs of the ministry. Pray also for God's provision for the Fulani children's school project being undertaken by the missionaries."

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Rosemary Walker, Montreal. "Thank you for your prayers! Our Monday morning International English Class is going well... May the Lord use the class to draw the students who don't yet know Him to Himself." Rosemary is deeply grateful for the KWM team and others who have helped over her years in the D.R. Congo and Tanzania. Since returning home, she has been focusing on helping African theology students. "Please pray for the Lord's on-going provision for my Cup of Cold Water Project with AIM Canada."

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Elaine Esser, Owen Sound. "Diane [Dadian] and Kathleen were able to take a taxi to a church service where Aria was baptized, so they all were able to attend the service. Aria's caregiver takes her to church and Sunday school—a praise item for God's faithful care and provision for Diane and her family!"

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Fern & Glenn Byerly. Fern writes of a Bible translator who was kidnapped and killed. Their son-in-law met him when over in Cameroon to check on the Bible translator's work. Pray for the family of the murdered missionary, and all of those impacted by his death.

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Phase II Workers. John & Debra Bowen, Gladys Linthicum, Norine Love, Patsy McCarthy, Clarence & Cathy McMullen, David & Angela Morris, Barbara Rahn and Pam Stedman.