



Lead translator Rev Chang and Taiwan Bible Society General Secretary Rev Chung at the celebration of the publication of the Pinuyumayan New Testament, (Nov 2023)

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 How can they believe in one of whom they have *never heard*?
 And how can they hear unless someone proclaims him?
 And who will go to tell them unless he is sent? Romans 10:14

Verses like these apply both to witness overseas and locally. Pray for Alpha, the popular 12-week introduction to faith in Christ that Knox is starting Feb. 7. Lift up the co-ordinator and all the volunteers and pray that many of those invited will respond. **Who will you be inviting?**

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Gord & Brenda Nickerson, Josiah Venture. Gord is facilitating a 5-session Zoom discussing issues relevant for pastors in youth ministry. Also in early February, Brenda is helping to plan a Dallas missions conference for globally minded women. Pray as plans are made by Josiah Venture for over 120 youth camps to be held throughout Central and Eastern Europe this summer. Pray that God will already be working in the hearts of the thousands of teens that will attend and the staff and summer teams that will be leading these camps.

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel. “Praise the Lord for His strong hand of healing, refreshing, and blessing on Intervarsity staff (USA) at their conference in January. In early February, pray for God's teaching and empowerment of selected staff from each region as they seek to grow in their knowledge of the Holy Spirit, and depend on Him as they evangelize and disciple new generations of university students.”

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Ann Chow, Event & Project Management. “Great news, I’m back on the Christian hackathon project for 2024 as their project lead. It’s a fantastic global team. They’re bringing everyone together Feb. 5-9 to Thailand. <https://hack.indigitous.org>” Prayers as we begin the project and meet in-person.”

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Colin & Rachel McCordic, AIM. “January we were in Kenya, first visiting some friends and then attending a three-week orientation. We praise the Lord for such a good time. February 7 is when we land in Chad. Pray for us as we settle into our new home and new life rhythms.”

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. "The Grimsley family (including four girls under the age of ten) will arrive in Karamoja at the beginning of February to begin a one-year term to help the mission with maintenance projects. Our small mission station will need energy to help them get settled in and they will need energy to adjust to their new surroundings."

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Eleanor Crabtree. "The last CT Scan showed no signs of cancer. I have another follow-up in 6 months. Praise God for his healing power."

Glenn & Fern Byerly. Pray for the safe travel of their son-in-law to Cameroon to encourage Bible Translators. He returns in early February.

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Dave & Rani, Brampton. "Devanand will be in India (Feb. 14 - Mar. 7). He would appreciate prayers for being the Keynote Speaker (Zoom) at a diaspora (secular) conference in Lucknow...and will lecture at the U. of Lucknow on Feb. 27. Will also give lectures at several seminaries from Feb. 19-23. Will visit a Christian hospital outside of Varanasi. Please pray for Rani and Deepak during that time. (Praise God, Deepak seems more focused these days.)"

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Wayne & Helen Hancock, Threefold Ministries, Nicaragua. "Please continue to pray for wisdom and discernment for the staff and Board as they seek God's direction for the future of this ministry. Pray too for some local staff who have been released and for the continued challenges of local regulations."

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Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. "My heart and life overflow with gratitude in the fullness of seeing the Lord at work while mentoring and training lay counsellors as we

come alongside counselees struggling to know God and live for Him. As our church expands, so do the requests! May the Lord grant all the wisdom, love and strength needed to edify His sheep!"

SUNDAY

Luke & Yuko Elliot, Aomori Christian Center, Japan. "Please pray for the student ministry retreat happening at ACC, Feb. 11-13. Pray for Yuko as she supervises language learning for new OMF workers in Tohoku and for Luke as he preaches at different churches (almost every week). Continue to pray for our ongoing construction projects."

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Khevna & Sharon, Knox Missions Hub. "Praise God for collaborations with student groups during the Relevant Series! Please continue to pray for students to take bold steps to engage missionally in follow up conversations in the days ahead."

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C & K. "Request prayer for continued recovery of companies in the portfolio battered by COVID, post-COVID economic factors, and more recently by conflicts in Central Asia and the Middle East. Pray for the finalisation of details enabling our company in Bangladesh to recover, continuing to provide jobs for over 300 employees, and have a widespread spiritual impact. Pray for us as we serve these companies with intensive coaching, relational support and prayer."

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change. "I'm thankful for my (virtual) team's in-person gathering in Jan. It was refreshing, fun, and challenging as we paused for mid-year evaluation, discernment, and planning. Pray for effective follow-up of many local campus outreaches in Jan, and for the Reading Week mission trip in Honduras (partnering locally), for fruitful learning,

connections, and ministry.”

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Susan Jeffery, CANIL, Abbotsford. “Pray for the staff of Alloway Library as they consider how best to merge the CanIL Library collection into their library. Especially pray for the Alloway person most involved with the merger—for wisdom, timely communication and God’s enabling to pull everything together by early June when CanIL’s Summer Term kicks off.”

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Chyrl Basa, FFM. “The Day of Prayer for the Muslim world is coming up soon—February 17th, Saturday, from 9 am to 2 pm. Our in-person meeting will be at Calvary Church. Pray that this day will be edifying for all! Ramadan is also coming up on March 10th! Will you join this focused prayer movement for the Muslim world? There are still extra copies of the 30 Days Ramadan booklets left. Contact FFM to get your copies.”

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Hanneke Cost Budde. Thanksgiving for a wonderful time with her kids over Christmas and the New Year. Pray for Baraka who had a tough time returning to school, structure and discipline, and for Faraja who dropped physics and needs to make good choices in his studies. Mahona will start teaching next month. Mfaume and Kiri are doing well in their studies, Jacky is getting ready for final exams and Hanneke is teaching 11 students in Bible School. “God is good!”

SUNDAY

Carluci & Christina Dos Santos. They are preparing a series on expository preaching in the GTA and in the Montreal areas, Feb. – Apr. and also beginning a Spanish-speaking on-line series. Carluci is setting up monthly days of prayer for mis-

sions in the Spanish-Portuguese community. “Let us pray for leaders and commitment to the work of prayer.” The family is doing well: Isabela at home; Hannah in Raleigh, NC; Nicoli and Erik in NFL. Christina and Carluci were warmly welcomed into the United World Mission missionary family.

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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn. “Please pray for the financial well-being of our local workers.... We try to pay reasonably well... but it's never enough. Prices of food and fuel rise endlessly, transport is always an issue, and health care is available to those who can pay. Pray that our people make wise lifestyle choices. And pray that any staff who have necessary administrative access to ministry funds will be protected from the temptation of putting a finger on the scale to benefit themselves.”

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Gus & Marliese, London. “My Palestinian friend passed his citizenship test so praise for that. Continue to pray for our future meetings and the two Yazidi families, and the mall Bible study. I’m also hoping to meet a friend from public school days who now lives in London.”

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Elaine Esser, Owen Sound. “May the Lord provide protection, wisdom, and guidance to the new workers settling into the work the Lord has called them to do.... I just came across this verse that I think would be an encouragement to all our Knox missionaries. Psalm: 21:5 *The Lord himself watches over you! The Lord stands beside you as your protective shade.*”

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Sylvia Dresser. “Several young men from the south coast tribal areas are studying at the seminary on the north coast. Pray that they will return to their home areas to provide much needed leadership for south coast churches. There is more prestige and

money if they serve a city church. Thanks for praying for my son Andrew. His sight continues to improve slightly. He is now going through many tests in the work-up toward a transplant.”

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Marg Roth. “Both our Bible study and chapel services are growing a bit which is so good to see. The sun stays up a little later every night and I’m a fan of that! So many areas in our suffering world need our prayers right now. Let us keep our prayers filled with thanks and worship and praise to the Lord. He is in charge, and we know He is still on the throne and we are His children.”

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I & S. It was lovely to have the family here with us at Knox for several days in mid-January. They were able to present a fuller picture of their new field of ministry and inform our prayers. Finances are an area of need at this point. More prayer partners to lift up their witness for Christ are always a blessing.

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Refugee Sponsorship. Our Afghan family of five may be arriving in Toronto in as little as a few days to a few weeks from now. Exciting times, and so much needs to happen. Pray for a smooth entry into Canada, for locating adequate housing in East Toronto / Scarborough and for a wonderful supportive welcome in Christ, from Knox and the Afghan Church of the GTA.

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan. “Praise God for all the Bible translation teams in Taiwan as they make substantial progress. May God bless Paul as he prepares to visit them all in person in March and April.”

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Jim Mason, Challenge Enterprises, Ghana. “The Sowutuom branch of the Church of Pentecost partnered with Cinevan for an evangelistic outreach in November 2023. Some 250 adults and 76 children received Christ. Pray for effective discipling!”

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Xerggyo & Hil. Xerggyo has fully recovered from his pneumonia. Hil’s mother is well too. They are attending a training session for their mission in Spain this month. They plan to return to their work in June or July. **Mary Jane Fandrich, Texas.** “Pray for two conversations with my neighbors here. One went home with a desired Bible (English/Arabic), and one went out really mad about our discussion of Life and Peace in Jesus Messiah vs. fear and death as the issue of Mohammed. Pray for wisdom and safe keeping in this community.”

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Phase II Workers. John & Deborah Bowen, Gladys Linthicum, Norine Love, Patsy McCarthy (Patsy has moved into a fine seniors’ residence in Vancouver near her son Tim), Clarence & Cathy McMullen, David & Angela Morris, Barbara Rahn, Pamela Stedman, Diana Wadsworth, Rosemary Walker.