



Aina Dobilaitė (see Day 9), once a keen Knox choir member, now serves freelance in her church in Lithuania. Her very full schedule includes the joy of composing new worship songs based on the Psalms.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always.

Remember the wonders He has done, His miracles,

and the judgements He pronounced. |
Chronicles 16:11-12

Pray for His strong hand at work in Syria, the Holy Land, Sudan, Yemen... Toronto...

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KWM. May this new year bring opening doors with more of us involved in prayer for our missionaries. We don't see them Sunday by Sunday, but we commissioned and blessed them to go, and they continue to be a key part of this congregation. Ask for God's wisdom for the KWM Committee in all decisions throughout 2025.

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I & S. "Please ask the Father for D. She came for tea, and we got to share the Christmas story and Good news. She gratefully received the new part of the good book. Please also ask for Dm. He has been doing a lot of reading and has had many conversations now. He also asked for a good book this past week!"

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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn. "Listen to Learn is in the middle of discussions with a missionary couple in the States who are considering getting more involved with us. They have several years' experience in Uganda and have worked with us before. Their influence could help us extend our reach there, both by contacts on the ground and by influencing US donors. January will be an important month in our discussions, so we'll appreciate your prayers."

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Ann Chow, Event & Project

Management. "I would appreciate prayer as I begin to teach another course at Redeemer. It's their interdisciplinary course for 4th year students. I'd love prayer to connect well with the students."

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Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. "In the year of our Lord 2025, we see Him advancing His Kingdom in Munich this month through counseling and mentoring, attending a conference on Unity with Gavin Ortlund (24-25th) and a follow-up workshop (TBD) for the Discovering Change class held last Fall. Please pray for details to be finalized to offer counseling training here through the UK. Finances are improving! May the Spirit infuse, guide and empower all!"

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Sylvia Dresser, Waterloo. "December - January is storm season for Pirimapun and

Saman, with high winds and high water. Simson and others will travel out to other villages for celebrations and evangelism. Pray for safety for all travellers! And for sufficient fuel to get to the villages.”

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Khevna & Sharon, Knox Missions Hub.

“We start the new year jumping right into a large collaboration for Relevant Series week. Please pray for students to be bold and to be strategically missional on their campus. Please also pray for us to have renewed strength for this second semester!”

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Aina Dobilaitė, Lithuania. “Thank you for praying - we have preachers for all the Sundays when our pastor will be away. Please pray for a successful surgery and a quick recovery for him. And, please, pray for us as we will be at least 6 weeks without him and his wife. Our little church will need God’s help during that time.”

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change. “I’m very thankful for a refreshing staff in-person retreat in Dec, as well as time with family & 2 international student dinners ... over Christmas. In Jan, the first lessons of our ‘Living on Mission’ material will be piloted on campus. We’re hoping for helpful feedback before finalizing the following round of lessons. Pray as well for many campus outreaches, large and small, in Jan/early Feb, and for students as they submit summer mission trip applications.”

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Knox refugee family. Please do pray for work opportunities for Amin, father of our sponsored family. He is involved in English studies, attends a neighbourhood Bible study, and is actively looking for employment. He recently completed a course in basic home renovations and projects.

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Elaine Esser, Owen Sound. “I have had a bad cough that has just taken the starch out of me. My arthritis has also been kicking up a storm at night. I am slowly improving ... May the Lord encourage you with His Love, Joy, and Peace ... throughout the New Year. Let us thank the Lord for His faithful provision, protection, and guidance throughout the changes in 2024 and His promise to be with His servants in 2025.”

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Colin & Rachel McCordic, AIM, Chad.

“Praise God—we have now been here in Africa for a year! God is good. The plans for the launch of Perspectives here in Chad are starting to solidify. Pray for Colin as he works with potential teachers for the different lessons. Pray for Rachel as two new students begin in her class this month.”

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Chyrl Basa, FFM. FFM is thankful to the Lord for His continued provision, including an additional board member. “We look forward to what He is going to do in the coming year as our beloved board chair Vivian ... is stepping down.” Pray for a new board chair to take the baton and ask the Lord to raise up His servants who are called to serve in FFM. The next Days of Prayer will be Feb 22, May 17, Aug 16, Nov 15.

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Dave & Rani, Mission Go, Brampton.

“Praise God for discovering how AI can assist less-educated Nepali pastors in understanding complex Scripture. Pray for Devanand as he collaborates with pastors and leaders to enhance Bible studies using AI. Rani will join a mission group in India during the last two weeks of February; please pray for financial support. Thank you for keeping Deepak in your prayers as he continues his university journey.”

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, Mesa Global. "We praise God for 102 people, including pastors and leaders, who participated in three 10-hour biblical expository workshops offered in 2024 in the Montreal and Toronto areas. We focused on preaching from the Old Testament. We are thankful for the prayers and financial support received."

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Luke & Yuko Elliot, Aomori Christian Center, Japan. The number of Christians in Japan who first encountered the Christian faith through gospel music is significant. Please pray that a gospel music event held in December will have a continued impact for Christ on those who attended. "Also, thank you for praying for our crunch time at the end of October. It was difficult, but there were many answered prayers, and everything was completed well in the end."

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C & K. "C&K are grateful for several strategic assignments they are working on. These include serving the persecuted church through BAM in Central Asia, serving on the boards of three companies (in Tajikistan, Pakistan and Indonesia), supporting the executive team of a new business seeking to realign Christians' investment portfolios with a Kingdom perspective, and engaging with individuals, churches and agencies regarding the mobilisation of labourers serving as professionals in global mission. Pray for wisdom and fruit from all these various initiatives."

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel, Arizona. Praise God for the impact of Mary Anne's book, *The Transforming Journey*, and continue to pray. There have already been opportunities for Mary Anne to share with

groups wanting to hear more of how God works in our lives. Pray for open hearts and open doors as God's Spirit teaches.

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Eleanor Crabtree, Owen Sound. Good news. The Oncologist said that all the tests showed no sign of cancer. Praise God! As we begin the new year let us "run with perseverance the race that is set before us" accepting Christ's discipline along the way and keeping our eyes on Jesus. See Hebrews 12: 1-2.

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan. "Thank God for the dedicated Bible translation teams Paul supports in Taiwan. May God inspire them to make good progress in each language: 'Amis, Cou, Hakka, Ngudradrekai (Maolin, Tona, Wanshan dialects), Paiwan, Pinuyumayan, Sediq-Toda and Tao."

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Xerggyo & Hil, Mexico. "It was exciting--the last days of the mission conference in Mexico City. After the conference, the local church invited us to the celebration of the 31st year of praying for peace for Chiapas. Around 50,000 joined together to pray and praise."

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Susan Jeffery, CANIL, Abbotsford. "The first half of my mop up at CanIL Library after the library merger is now complete! This month I begin working my way through 1,800 offprints to determine if any of them need to be archived in the SIL archive before recycling. This is a new area for me. Pray that there will be those happy to help me as I get up to speed. Continue to pray for surgery dates and ongoing good health."

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Moms and Caregivers of Young Children. Lift up Kim Morrison and her

volunteers who meet with local single parents, bi-weekly on Wednesdays. The Christmas appeal for diapers and craft supplies for little children brought this ministry into focus for us in December. Pray for Christ's ongoing witness among these, our neighbours.

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Sylvan Payne, Japan. "Thankful for a year of challenges overcome. I'm grateful for all the prayer support, which is keeping progress of symptoms at bay, and even improving things some. Prayers for my teaching prep and classes in 2025."

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Hanneke Cost Budde, Tanzania.

"Thanksgiving for another amazing year filled with challenges but also with the Lord's blessings!" Pray that all her kids will grow spiritually and make the right decisions about education and employment. Mfaume hopes to pass his final exams and get his certificate to practice pharmaceutical work. Ngassa has left further studies and is assisting family in the Serengeti.

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Jim Mason, Challenge Enterprises, Ghana. "National Pastors and Christian Leaders Conference: Pray for the Programs Department as it plans for the 2025 Conference theme and program. Pray God will make provision for a successful conference."

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. "My colleague Tina has been a great encouragement in the work in Karamoja and my closest friend over the past couple years. She will start her eight-month furlough at the end of January. I'm trying to remain in-the-moment, not fear the challenges that I will face without her steady presence and support. May God remind me of his faithfulness throughout the year!"

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Gus & Marliese, London. "We thank the Lord for your prayers and the opportunities to serve people and meet their needs. Our requests continue for the Yazidis. Pray that we will deepen in our relations and witness as we study with friends we've made at a local mall as well as those who have immigrated. May we bear fruit that glorifies the Lord."

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Phase II Workers. Praise God for the lives and ministries of our Phase II (retired Knox) missionaries, over a dozen in number, in total serving hundreds of years in witness. They are among our most faithful praying for Knox. Ask for fruitful retirements, strength to carry on where they are now placed, and opportunities for Christ. May they continue like Caleb who prayed, "Give me this mountain!" (Joshua 14:12)

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A sampling of our Phase II Workers:

John & Debra Bowen, Glenn & Fern Byerly (*Pray for a couple of our family members who are not following the Lord*), Gladys Linthicum, Norine Love, Patsy McCarthy, David & Angela Morris, Barbara Rahn, Pamela Stedman, Diana Wadsworth.