



**Prayer and Praise  
Keith & Rita Haywood  
Operation Mobilization  
Church Connections Team  
August 2019**



**“Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.” Eph. 3:20-21**

**Prayer Requests:**

**Thank you for praying with us for these requests this month:**

- Pray for the transitions that our Church Connections Team is going through at this time. Four of our staff who have been relating to church partners are leaving OM. We are working through the implications of these departures, while we are in the midst of budget preparation and goal setting for the coming fiscal year!
- Pray for Keith as he conducts an orientation session on Sunday, August 24 for a team from Harborside Christian Church, FL going to India in October to conduct a Worship/Arts Seminar for church leaders.

**We appreciate your prayers for the following church teams moving out this month:**

- Valley Baptist Church, CA is sending a team of 20 to **Moldova** from August 2-10 to reach people in villages
- First Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA is sending 9 people to **Lanzarote, Spain** from August 6-14 to lead worship and teach at an outreach conference
- Cross Point Church, TN is sending 5 members to **Egypt** from August 16-24 to work with the poor and refugees
- Patrick Schrock of Kingdom Channels continuing to serve refugees in **Serbia** until August 20

**Praises and Answered Prayers:**

Keith's time in the Washington, DC area with Joseph D'Souza was very fruitful. All three churches we met with asked us to submit proposals on how they could partner with the Good Shepherd/OM India work. We are working on the follow up of those visits now. Also praise the Lord with us for two gifts that were given last month to help complete a Good Shepherd School in India.

**Here are a few testimonies from our short-term team members on mission in July:**

**“It will change my life by me wanting to show others more love every day, regardless of where. I’m less fearful to share Jesus with others, because during the trip, I realized that my fear should not get in the way of others salvation.” Team member who served in Albania**

**“This trip is continually the best part of my year. It is a great blessing to have the opportunity to serve and serve with such amazing people. I saw many receive the message of the Gospel.” Team member who served in Hungary**

**“Two young men were saved through the baseball camps; people from different churches were equipped through a VBS Workshop; the church we partner with in Spain is growing.” Team leader who served in Spain**

**“He touched each one of us in different way. We all have great passion for next year’s mission trip. Worship together with Mexican church was very powerful.” Team leader who served in Mexico**

**“The team interacted well with church members through the home visits, children ministry, different meetings and meals. Especially, the powerful worship and prayer ministry touched many members, which the main pastor asked the team to lead during the Sunday service as well.” OM Field Staff in Mexico.**

***It is a blessing to know that we serve a God who is able to do abundantly more than we can ask or think! Thank you for persevering in prayer so that He receives the glory in the church around the world and in Christ Jesus! Amen.***

**Yours in Christ,**

**Keith & Rita**