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Prayer Associates

November 2025

The following prayer requests are from CBF field personnel who are the presence of Christ around the world. As a “prayer associate” committed to praying for CBF missions and ministries on a regular basis, you are a partner, colleague and companion. Thank you for your support.

To think about:

“Your ‘yes’ to God requires your ‘no’ to all injustice, to all evil, to all lies, to all oppression and violation of the weak and poor.”

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Annette Ellard, Ministry Among Refugees from Burma, Louisville, KY

Please pray for my beloved friend Blah Poe who was diagnosed with breast cancer in October. Pray for her physical and emotional strength as she receives treatment. Pray that her body will be healed and her health restored.

Please pray for Ku Bay, who lost his arm in an accident in August. Pray that as he works to learn new ways of doing things that he will find assistance and encouragement from medical providers and community. Pray also that processes for social services will go smoothly so that he will have stability.

As we focus our attention on giving thanks, thank God for His beautiful tapestry of human creation, with all our beautiful colors and cultures, cuisines and languages, sports and arts. And pray that we will commit to finding what we have in common and

what we have to share with our immigrant and refugee neighbors.

Praise God for the Louisville Karen Baptist Church and its many years of partnership in our ministry. Pray that God will continue to bless its witness and encouragement in the community. Pray for the church leaders as they seek ways to keep young people connected and engaged.

Tina Boyles Bailey, Arts Ministry, Graz, Austria

Please pray for our church as our contract for the rented space for the church was cancelled. We are needing to find a new space ASAP, a space that meets the needs of our church: kitchen, worship space, space for children’s program, parking and access to public transportation. Ideally something that could also be used during the week for more ministry as well.

Janée Angel, Outreach to Arabic Speakers, Antwerp, Belgium

As you think of Belgium, please pray for the government, the European Union and NATO who all find their home in Belgium. As the world feels more uncertain through turmoil and war, pray for guidance and wisdom for those who lead in world events.

Karen Alford, Medical Ministry, Togo, West Africa

Pray for those affected by the US government shutdown; for healing a patient with a broken leg who is not eligible for surgery due to his wound on the same leg; for patience, self-compassion and understanding on my own journey

Kim Wyatt, Welcome House for Refugees, Raleigh, NC

We are so grateful for Matty Grace Gilliam, Welcome House Operations Specialist and CBF Student Serve Intern as well as our collaborating partner, Adelen Kirkland for facilitating the Welcome House Raleigh new Strengthening Families Initiative. Pray for Matty Grace and Adelen as they provide engaging training that will facilitate refugee and immigrant women as they learn together and from each other ways to enhance healthy families in body, mind, and soul. Pray for the 12 participants as they support one another and seek to give care among their families and communities.

Please continue to pray for a new English as a second language class that we will be piloting for 6 weeks from October 7-November 15. The new class has been delayed due to unforeseen events in the country of origin of our students. This is a new venture with students that live in their home country but are friends and family of our in-person and virtual students that live here in North Carolina. Pray that these classes will bring hope alongside education to women that are not able to attend school where they live. Pray that the teachers will be wise, kind, and thoughtful in their teaching.

Pray for wisdom in standing with families that are living in fear of being detained and/or deported. Pray especially for one of our friends that has been in

detention for one year. Her hearing is on November 12th. Pray that she will have the fortitude to maintain strength in body, mind, and soul during these remaining weeks. Pray that she will be released and reunited with her family.

Pray for leaders to be compelled to "seek justice, love mercy, and to walk humbly with God." Micah 6:8

Rick Burnette, Immigrant Farmworker Ministry, Immokalee, FL

We are grateful for prayers for our coworker, a single mom who cares for her young son with significant disabilities, who had a Zoom meeting at her lawyer's office on October 3rd regarding her asylum status. The judge, who had allowed her hearing to be conducted via Zoom to protect her from being detained at a courthouse, scheduled her next court date for 2028. We are very grateful for this outcome.

Meanwhile, continue to pray for our immigrant communities. A sustained presence of law enforcement officials (e.g., ICE, local sheriff's department, Highway Patrol, border police, Fish and Wildlife Commission) in Immokalee, LaBelle, and many other southwest Florida communities continues to result in stops, detentions, and arrests. Even those with visas and work permits are being affected, contributing to widespread anxiety and trauma. Residents are often afraid to go to the market and work, creating additional food insecurity.

My sister, Jeana Corbin, is scheduled for surgery at Duke Hospital on November 4 to have a benign brain tumor removed, which has already affected hearing in one ear. We pray for Jeana, her physicians, and family with great hope for her recovery. In November, I will be spending a significant amount of time with my elderly parents who live close to Jeana.

We are looking forward to signing an Encourager Church covenant with FBC Gainesville, Florida on Sunday, November 3. We also request prayers for the involvement of a missions team from FBC Asheville, NC who will serve in Immokalee during November 11-14.

Finally, a local partner church, Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana de LaBelle has begun implementing its own version of the CBF Strengthening Families initiative, a trauma-informed, faith-based parenting initiative to help parents in distressed situations to: 1) Heal from trauma, 2) Strengthen core parenting capabilities, 3) Build secure attachment with their children, and 4) Integrate spiritual practices into family life. Pray for Crestella, the Strengthening Families facilitator (and Primera member) who was trained by CBF, as she implements the initiative over three weekends in October, November, and December.

Jade and Shelah Acker, Ministry to Those Affected by War and Conflict, Kampala, Uganda

Pray for refugees who attend programs at Refuge and Hope in Kampala, Uganda, that they can have their physical and spiritual needs met.

Brooke and Mike, Theological Education and Hospitality, Waco, TX and Indonesia

Mike will return to Indonesia to oversee the continuing ministry work there and as part of ongoing academic partnerships. Please pray for smooth travel and a short, but effective, trip.

The ministry space in Indonesia remains under construction. Please pray for continued progress and a solution to building and budget restraints.

As part of our new work, we are seeking to connect with new churches and supporters. Please pray for these connections and that God will open doors to new ministry partners.

Eddie Aldape, Center of Hope, Almería, Spain

I give thanks for those that give and make it possible for me and others to be the presence of God in every corner of the world. Thankful for those that give so that others can receive basic needs. I pray that you may remain faithful and may you be showered with blessings.

Jonathan Bailey, Ministry Through the Arts, Bali, Indonesia

Pray for meaningful connections between local and international musicians involved in an upcoming music collaboration project that joins traditional Balinese gamelan with western vibraphone.

Carson and Laura Foushee, Ministry to Internationals, Kanazawa, Japan

Pray for this month's 5th Sunday Fellowship at Kanazawa International Baptist Church. We will gather as a community of friends and guests to eat, fellowship, and share about the many things we have to be grateful for in our lives.

Jessica Hearne, Urban Farm and Food Advocacy Ministry, Danville, VA

As the weather turns colder, pray for those who will have to make tough decisions about paying for heat while keeping their families fed.

Scarlette Jasper, Rural Poverty and Family Ministries, Appalachia, KY

Pray for the churches, individuals, and families who will begin to collect and assemble Christmas Boxes for Appalachia. Pray for the volunteers who will check and organize Christmas Boxes for Appalachia as they arrive in preparation for distribution.

Pray for those experiencing homelessness and food insecurity. Pray for those who are still displaced by the flooding and tornadoes earlier in the year.

Pray for the White Flag Winter Relief Ministry as funds are being raised in preparation for sheltering and feeding those experiencing homelessness on the coldest nights.

Pray for those struggling with mental and physical health issues. Pray for those struggling with addiction. Pray for those I am in ministry with who are struggling with cancer and other health issues. Pray for me as I provide transportation, counseling, and emotional support for these folks.

Pray for the discord in our country.

Karen Zimmerman, University Student Ministry, Waco, TX

Pray for student participants of the Open Table ministry. Pray that Open Table will be a safe space for them to encounter the good news of Christ in ways that are healing and restorative.

Pray for me as I prepare for the spring semester.

Pray that the logistics of operating a student ministry would run smoothly.

Pray for students as they get closer to the finish line of the semester.

Kirk and Suzie, Bible Literacy and Translation, Southeast Asia

We thank you O God, that Thanksgiving is not just for Americans. We rejoice with the rural believers throughout Southeast Asia who will soon be celebrating the rice harvest. Bless the "Offering of the New Rice" services being organized by many churches. May all who attend these events, regardless of their faith tradition, be touched by the love of Christ and the beauty of the life He offers.

Alicia and Jeff Lee, Agricultural Development and Ministry of Presence, Skopje, Macedonia

Pray for our friends at RETO, a rehabilitation center for men recovering from addiction, as they lean on one another and God through their journey of sobriety.

Pray for the preparation of greenhouses and vineyards for next year.

Matt and Michelle Norman, Sr. Directors of Field Ministry and Leadership Development, Barcelona, Spain

Pray for those who depend on Espai Sopem as a source of their meals. Pray that they find not only nourishment, but also community.

Pray for the Field Ministries Team who will meet this month for their team meeting.

Pray that people will give generously to the Offering for Global Missions that supports field personnel around the world.

Gennady and Mina Podgaisky, Ministry to Ukrainians, Kraków, Poland

Please pray for the end of the war in Ukraine. Pray for the Family Seminar, which Gennady and Mina will be leading. Pray for the Polish and Ukrainian foster families retreat, where Mina will be teaching. Pray for our language studies

Brittany and Casey Ramirez, Global Migration Partners, Baguio, Philippines

Pray for the students at Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary (PBTS) as their fall semester comes to a close this month. Pray for the students as they take their exams and prepare for their semester break.

Pray for the Mandarin Club Brittany engages in at our children's school. Pray that as they teach the kids it is an opportunity to share the love of Chinese language and culture with the broader community, but for the Chinese families to also feel included and valued.

Lita and Rick Sample, Ministry Among Internationals, San Francisco Bay Area, CA

At Thanksgiving time every year, we distribute frozen turkeys and food to make a Thanksgiving meal with many Karen and Afghan refugee families. Pray for us as we make those deliveries and connect with these dear families. Pray for the families and their children to experience gratitude to God during Thanksgiving.

Global Missions Team

Pray for the CBF Global Staff as we serve on the field and from the office both domestically and internationally.

November Birthday Calendar

(CH)- Chaplain; (FP)- Field Personnel; (GSC)- Global Service Corps; (PC)- Pastoral counselor; (FPC)- Child of field personnel; (S)- CBF staff member

1 Kasey Jones (S-CBF Global)
1 Lynne Mouchet, Johns Creek, GA (CH)
2 Karen Alford, Togo (FP)
2 Mark Elder, Spartanburg, SC (CH)
2 Jesse Hunt, Landstuhl, Germany (CH)
2 Mickie Norman, Leland, NC (CH)
2 Lindsay Winslow, Birmingham, AL (CH)
2 Ryan Yaun, Wetumpka, AL (CH)
3 Michael McCawley, Fort Bragg, NC (CH)
3 David Reid, Boise, ID (CH)
4 Laura Ayala (S-CBF Global)
4 Tarvick Linder, Korea (CH)
5 Cameron Gunnin, San Antonio, TX (CH)
5 August Higgins, San Antonio, TX (CH)
6 Kyle Fishbaugh, Fayetteville, NC (CH)
6 Gloria Hopper, Monroe, NC (CH)
6 Jeff Lee, North Macedonia (FP)
6 Meghan McSwain, Winston-Salem, NC (CH)
7 Craig Butler, Sugar Land, TX (CH)
7 Pat Coley, Talofofo, Guam (CH)
7 Darrell Hudson, Georgetown, TX (CH)
8 Jay Kieve (S-CBF Global)
8 Evan Sieges, Burlington, NC (CH)
8 Mark Weiler, Greeley, CO (CH)
9 Debby Bradley, Owensboro, KY (CH)
9 Charles Seligman, San Antonio, TX (CH)
9 Audrey Wilson, Durham, NC (CH)
10 Brooke, Waco, Texas (FP)
10 Kevin Crowder, Fredericksburg, VA (CH)
10 Holly Johnson, St. Petersburg, FL (CH)
10 Ralph Mikels, Jr., Seymour, TN (CH)
10 Jim Smith, Emeritus (FP)
11 Scott Blair, Bethesda, VA (CH)
11 Dana Durham, Sacramento, CA (CH)
11 Phoebe Khano, 2010, Belgium (FPC)
11 Bert Sanders III, Winston-Salem, NC (CH)
11 Steve Sweatt, Birmingham, AL (PC)
12 Jason Coker (S-Together for Hope)
12 John Lepper, Crestwood, KY (PC)
13 Shelia Earl, Emeritus (FP)
13 Matthew Posten, Louisville, KY (CH)
13 Gail Smith, Hillsborough, NC (CH)
13 Cindy Wallace, Sterling, VA (CH)

14 Katie Anderson, Louisville, KY (CH)
15 Elizabeth Eaton, Fredericksburg, VA (CH)
15 David Simmons, Harrisburg, PA (CH)
15 Eric Whitfield, Cheyenne, WY (CH)
16 Lori Gooden (S-Fellowship Southwest)
16 Margaret Harvey, Austin, TX (CH)
16 Edwin Hollis, Odenville, AL (CH)
16 Gloria Hopper, Monroe, NC (CH)
16 Anita Snell Daniels, Emeritus (FP)
16 Andrew Stubblefield, Pensacola, FL (CH)
17 Benjamin Burton, Louisville, KY (CH)
17 Elizabeth Thompson, Littleton, CO (PC)
18 Elaine Greer, Frankfort, KY (CH)
18 Kristin Long, Richmond, VA (PC)
19 T. Nancy Cox, Georgetown, KY (CH)
19 Will Kinnaird, Keller, TX (CH)
20 Chuck Christie, Loganville, GA (CH)
20 Lindsy Hines (S-CBF Global)
20 Kevin Park, Bellingham, WA (CH)
21 Fred Madren, Indianapolis, IN (CH)
21 Janet Pittman, Emeritus (FP)
22 Becky Smith, Emeritus (FP)
23 Heather Hurd, San Antonio, TX (CH)
23 Katrina Martin, Jacksonville, FL (CH)
23 Dihanne Moore (S-CBF Global)
23 Julie Walton, Richmond, VA (CH)
24 Will Barnes, Savannah, GA (CH)
24 Lynn Brinkley (S-CBF Global)
24 Robert Fox (S-Church Benefits Board)
24 Will Manley, Johnson City, TN (CH)
24 David Posey, Medina, TN (CH)
24 Ruth Santos-Ortiz, Atlanta, GA (PC)
25 Leigh Anne Armstrong, Auburn, AL (CH)
25 Gary Batchelor, Rome, GA (CH)
25 Tony Biles, Richfield, NC (CH)
25 Robert Cooke, Selma, NC (PC)
25 Ed Farris, Topeka, KS (CH)
25 Brad Hood, Knoxville, TN (CH)
25 Chan Shaver, Jamestown, NC (CH)
25 Sue Smith, Emeritus (FP)
25 Lee Weems, Pineville, LA (CH)
25 Cassandra Wilson, Gahanna, OH (CH)
26 Carol Fletcher, Athens, GA (CH)
26 Michael O'Rourke, Durham, NC (CH)
26 Randy Penneroud, Anderson, SC (CH)
27 Macarena Aldape, Emeritus (FP)
27 Posey Branscome, Charlotte, NC (CH)
27 Shaw Chin Capps (S-CBF Global)
28 Ronald King, Midland, GA (PC)
28 Mark Tidsworth, Chapin, SC (PC)

- 28 Joel Whitley, Emeritus (FP)
- 29 Paul Mullen, Clemmons, NC (CH)
- 30 Jeffrey Ross, Washington, DC (CH)