

Free Methodist World Missions

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

#### **AFRICA**

In Ethiopia, there are several pastors whose ministry locations are in areas of frequent persecution. Pray for these pastors and their church members to be filled with strength and courage. Ask the Lord to give grace to Superintendent Mekebib Desta as he encourages them to persevere.

Pray for Free Methodist work throughout Africa as we continue to expand the capacity to meet using the internet. The Africa area is working toward organizing larger meetings allowing leaders to participate together. In certain areas, internet connection is a challenge. Pray for progress in this endeavor.

# **ASIA**

Please pray for the Clemente family, who have transitioned from Taiwan. To best accommodate the needs of their family and continue their engagement in FMC-Asia, David and Sarah Clemente continue their service as non-resident FMWM missionaries. Sarah works as the Administrative Assistant to the Area Director. David serves as a member of the Asia Leadership Team (ALT) with a special assignment to Creative Access Asia-N. David will also work to raise critical resources for leadership development in Asia, reinforcing our efforts to train 10,000 new leaders to reach our goal of influencing one million Asians for Jesus. Furthermore, David will occasionally serve as a cross-cultural consultant for the FMWM home office.

Pray for Matthew, the brother of Pastor Joshua Konsawan, our country leader in <u>Thailand</u>. Matthew suffered a sudden and severe stroke this past week. Thank the Lord; he has seen some improvements. Pray the Lord will heal him completely and provide for his family during his illness.

### **EUROPE**

<u>Eduardo and Cindi Angelo</u> praise the Lord for how He is working in the church in <u>Portugal</u>. Using ZOOM, they are preparing new converts for baptism in August; cell groups are continuing to grow, and 65 seminary students are being trained. Pray for God to expand His kingdom in unprecedented ways during these unusual times.

Pray for several <u>European</u> missionaries returning to the U.S. for partnership building and matters related to family members in the states. Ask the Lord to give them good health, help in navigating current travel restrictions, and creativity in connecting with churches and individuals despite closures and quarantines.

#### **LATIN AMERICA**

Months ago, Pastora Mari started a Saturday morning kids' club at a park near her home. The children learned Bible stories, songs, and how to talk with God. When the quarantine started, Pastora Mari started sending stories and activities through WhatsApp. Now the children share the stories and pray with their parents. The kids' club meeting has multiplied into at least five houses of peace. Pray for these new houses of peace in Ecuador and discipleship of new believers.

Pray for the emotional and mental health of families, ministries and leaders during the ongoing quarantines in Peru.

Pray for the health of leaders and church members in Nicaragua.

### **MIDDLE EAST**

The husband of one house church member was hospitalized with coronavirus and near death. This man is now out of intensive care. Praise the Lord! Pray for the next steps in his healing.

We have been praying for one pastor in the <u>Middle East</u> who has been very ill with COVID-19. He now has severe complications and is not expected to live long. Pray for God's miraculous touch on his body. Also, pray for two other leaders who have been diagnosed with COVID.

### INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE MINISTRIES

Praise the Lord for those who have given to Extend Your Table and other ICCM beyond sponsorship funds to help children and their families in these uncertain days.

### **SEED**

Pray for the SEED partner livelihood group in Lomé, Togo – Couture la Grâce de Dieu (Sewing God's Grace). SEED is now selling masks made by this livelihood group. Each mask sold in the U.S. will also provide a mask for someone in Togo. Pray those in Togo who receive masks will also receive the good news of Jesus.

### **SET FREE MOVEMENT**

Praise the Lord for the Set Free Hungary team! This past week they loved and served foster kids in Györ. Pray for this Set Free team as they continue their ministry among the most vulnerable populations in Hungary.

## **VISA MINISTRIES**

Due to current travel complications and for the health and safety of our missionaries, national leaders and volunteers, all VISA trips have been canceled until at least January 2021. For more specific information, <u>click here</u>.

# **HOST FMWM MISSIONARIES**

From time-to-time missionaries return to the United States for partnership building, and need a place to stay while traveling. If you are interested in hosting missionaries who are in the U.S., please let us know! Thank you for your willingness to offer the gift of hospitality.

### **FMWM RESOURCES**

The 2020-2021 edition of the FMWM Ministry Prayer Directory is now available. If you would like a copy or would like additional copies for your church, small group or prayer group, please email janet.coates@fmcusa.org.



The 2020 Missions Alive! Curriculum for grades 1-6 is now available to download free form our children's resource page. Due to the sensitive nature of work in this region, the curriculum and accompanying videos are password protected. Please email <a href="mailto:janet.coates@fmcusa.org">janet.coates@fmcusa.org</a> or call #1-800-342-5531, ext.266, to request access.



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