

PAUSE TO PRAY

APRIL 19, 2017

HELPS AND ADMINISTRATION - Offer thanksgiving and pray for those who have spiritual gifts in the area of helps and serve in administrations in your church and community. (1 Corinthians 12:28)

Pray for the **ministry, personal spiritual growth and godly relationships of these missionaries**. Ask God to provide all financial, spiritual and prayer resources to maximize their impact for Jesus' sake.

Dennis & Julie Anderson (GoServ Global)

Troy & Heather Cady (PlayFull, Chicago)

Eric & Nicole Curtiss (Communitas Intl., Colorado)

Ed & Mary Fox (CTEN, Guatemala)

Select one of our **special-interest missionaries** for prayer and intercession. Pray, also, for the **person seated next to you** on Sunday.

Intercede for **Ken L** as he faces an uncertain health future. Express thanks for the helpful in-home care he is receiving and for the confident trust in the Lord he exhibits. with 1) a sense that we are dealing with very qualified people here; 2) very much at peace with the quality of care we are receiving here; and 3) convinced that, as far as we can tell, it was a good decision not to return to the U.S. for medical care. We also have a phenomenal support network here of people from our church, from other churches we've worked with previously and from the group of pastors and wives that we work with now. We honestly couldn't ask for more. I'm asking God to restore my life and my health completely so that I can resume my ministry completely, or with whatever changes and adjustments He would make. Our sense is that we want to continue for another two to three years before we retire, if our health permits it."

Dr. Dwight Perry will be preaching and leading an Open Forum on the issues of racial prejudice and reconciliation under the overall theme of "Embracing Diversity." Pray for his presentation and our response to his insights and experience.

Ask the Lord to bless the final gathering of **Coffeebreak**, to be held on May 9. Give thanks for the ministry that has been held throughout the many years of its existence.

We are seeking volunteers to assist in our **Backyard Bible Club** neighborhood outreach the week of July 24-28. Ask the Lord for a good response in available volunteers and in spiritual impact in the community.

We will be hosting an **Open House** for the people of Vineyard Church of DuPage following our April 30 service. Our prayer is that a sense of enthusiasm and vision for the future will be gained as they walk through our facility.

Pray about coordinating schedules with **Vineyard Church** regarding the possibility of a couple of shared events with their church at our location. Intercede for these possibilities and the benefits that would arise from them.

Ask the Lord to provide resources (more than \$20,000) to allow **GoServ Global** to maintain vital equipment used in disaster relief, pay appropriate fees and retire debt on a recently-purchased truck. Pray for the Domestic Disaster Relief Arm of GoServ Global to meet these needs.

Members & Friends: Art and Linnell L, Ken L, Dick L

MISSION UPDATE

The following is from **Beth Hanna**, Comino Global, Mexico.

Mujer Verdadera, a conference for women sponsored by Nancy Leigh De Moss Wolgemuth of Revive our Hearts, was here in Mexico March 16-19. I attended two days with Ivonne and Lupita. We were blessed beyond measure. No matter how long I have known the Lord, there always is more to learn about our Savior, and I'm always in need of growing closer to the Lord. I thank the Lord for the privilege of learning from Nancy, Dannah, Damaris, Mary, the worship team and so many others.

A First at Abundant Life Bible Church - Miguel and Minerva have been married

We praise the Lord for this update from **Eric Johnson**: "After working with our medical team here since February and talking through my situation with some other doctors provided by a service through our medical insurance, it seems that they are all essentially on the same page. That leaves us

20 years and have 7 beautiful children. For the first time in our church, we celebrated with a ceremony of gratitude, complete with a message, the couple's favorite songs, a special by their children and a delicious meal. One gal told me she couldn't wait to see how this was done, since she'd never heard of it before. Miguel is not an "official" leader of the church, because of time constraints, but he is one of our leaders. We are blessed to have this family among us.

If you have a prayer concern you would like to put on the Prayer Chain, please contact Gloria Neal at home or at the church office.

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