

25. Pray for Radical Journey participants and their host communities in China, England, Paraguay and South Africa as they grow together in becoming the global body of Christ.

26. Barbara and Darrell Jantz request prayers for clarity of purpose and practical wisdom for the London Mennonite Trustees as they discern their future ministry. Pray especially that they will find a new property in time for occupation in mid-2012.

27. Martine Audéoud teaches seminary courses throughout French-speaking Africa. She requests prayer for the Master's programs that have recently been launched at the Theological Seminary of the Christian Alliance in Côte d'Ivoire, and that these courses may bear fruit that will bring glory to God.

28. Today, Bethsaba, Dale, Shova and Sushma Nafziger are flying from Nepal to the United States to begin their four-month North American assignment. Pray that God would renew their health during this time as they share about what God is doing in Asia.

29. Pray for David Shenk as he works alongside the Quito (Ecuador) Mennonite Church in supporting Colombian refugees who are fleeing violence.

30. DOOR city directors are hosting spring break service trips, planning for intense summer activity, and putting together summer staff teams. Pray for energy and inspiration as they prepare to introduce thousands of young people to the joy of missional living in urban communities.

31. Disa and Tom Rutschman teach and mentor Swedish young people in public schools and through coffeehouse ministries. Pray that they may hold out hope and the possibility of meaningful life in Jesus. Pray also for the outreach of the Jokkmokk Free Church where the Rutschmans help provide leadership.

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1. Barbara and Tad Wulliman at Faith Academy in Philippines request prayer for Janet, the wife of a Filipino church planter, who is pregnant with a baby in breech position. Pray that the baby, due this month, will turn before delivery.

2. Anna and Joe Sawatzky work alongside administrators of Bethany Bible School in South Africa to offer training to African Initiated Church leaders. Today, pray for colleague, Mavis Tshandu, as she begins a second workshop on HIV-AIDS, following up on her teaching last year.

3. Mission Network partners with JMMI, the Brazilian Mennonite mission board. Last month, Paulo Campos, director of JMMI, traveled in Mozambique with two other Brazilian pastors to visit missionaries and young congregations. Pray that seeds planted and nurtured during his visit may produce much spiritual fruit.

4. Students from Bluffton College and Eastern Mennonite University are in Chicago this week to spend their spring break serving with DOOR. Pray that God would touch many lives during this time of learning, spiritual growth, and connecting sister institutions with each other.

5. Sam Moyer is nearing the end of a three-year term in London with Bridge Builders, a mediation training resource for church leaders in the United Kingdom. Pray for Sam as he prepares to enter a nursing program in the United States next August to prepare for further ministry.

- 6.** Pray for those who serve in areas of the world where being a Christian can have costly consequences. These mission workers often travel frequently and in difficult circumstances, but persevere to bring encouragement to those who follow Jesus without the support of a body of believers.
- 7.** Anne Garber Kompaoré continues translation work in Burkina Faso. Pray that she may be a resource enabling more people to hear and understand God's word in their mother tongue.
- 8.** Scott Litwiller is beginning his third month of living with Amanda and Gamaliel Falla in Barranquilla, Colombia. Pray for Scott as he learns about mission and church planting from the Fallas, adapts to Colombian culture, works with youth in the Mennonite churches, and teaches English.
- 9.** Abby Drader, Sofia Hess, Doro Isaak, Chris Wagoner, Jack Younger, and leaders Leah and Todd Gusler are members of the Raleigh (N.C.) Service Adventure unit. They serve with Habitat for Humanity, in preschools, and at other agencies.
- 10.** Pray for Kenton, Kidron and 1-year-old Mira Miller as they discern where God may be leading their family after their term in Berlin, Germany, is completed this year.
- 11.** Akiko Aratani and Raymond Epp and their four children live at Menno Village, an agricultural initiative of the Mennonite churches in Japan. Pray for them as they explore new ways of sharing land and resources with people living in nuclear exile after last year's disasters.
- 12.** Bruce Yoder, on study leave at Boston University, is researching the relationship between Mennonite missionaries and African Initiated Churches in southeastern Nigeria from 1958-1967. Pray that his findings may better equip him and other mission workers to share the good news of Jesus.
- 13.** Mennonite Mission Network's directors meet today. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide the discussions and decisions so that they align with God's purposes.
- 14.** A Mission Network consultant in religion is currently lecturing in the Middle East, equipping Christians and Muslims to better understand and love each other. Pray for her family, based in Europe, while she travels.
- 15.** Linda Shelly, Mission Network director for Latin America, is caring for her mother, Viola, as she recovers from a broken hip. Pray for renewed health for Viola, and energy for Linda as she juggles family and professional responsibilities.
- 16.** Pray for Mennonite Voluntary Service participants Aaron Clemmer, Emma Fenton-Miller, Ben Hestand, Hannah Kraybill and Sally Mitchell as they live in community and serve in their San Francisco, Calif., neighborhood.
- 17.** Church leaders in Taiwan have gathered for an all-day training session today. Pray for inspiration that will lead to church growth, and for Sheldon Sawatzky as he facilitates this time of learning together.
- 18.** Pray for Lawrence Coetzee, a leader of the Grace Community Churches in South Africa. Lawrence has begun to make the eight-hour round trip to attend Bethany Bible School to help his congregations, who are Mennonite World Conference members, to better understand what being Anabaptist means.
- 19.** Phil and Terry Witmer and their sons spend a lot of time at *Colegio Americano Menno* in Colombia, as teachers and students. Pray for Terry and her more than 320 English students in eight different grades, and for Phil as he works with students in the computer lab.
- 20.** Pray for SOOP volunteers in Washington, D.C., offering hospitality to travelers at the International Guest House, a bed and breakfast owned by Allegheny Mennonite Conference.
- 21.** Mary Raber requests prayer for the Master's students at Odessa Theological Seminary in Ukraine. Most of them are pastors and carry a heavy workload in their congregations, leaving little time for study. However, Mary says, their ministry is enhanced by what they learn in their courses.
- 22.** Dana and Jeff Selzer and their three children are completing a three-year assignment at Mountainview International Christian School in Indonesia. Pray for the family as they bring closure to their ministry at the school, and for a warm welcome when they return to the United States this summer.
- 23.** Thank God for the care and renewal that Lillian and Norm Nicolson are experiencing in the missionary community in Québec as they improve their French-language skills, preparing for continued ministry in Burkina Faso.
- 24.** Margrit Kipfer Barrón and her husband, Freddy, provide leadership in the Bolivia Mennonite Church. Pray that as Margrit meets with women each month to share a meal, study the Bible, and learn crafts, they may deepen their commitment to Jesus and become dedicated disciples.