

25. The Brethren in Christ Church in the United Kingdom is experiencing growth, due to an influx in members who have been immigrating from Zimbabwe. Pray for this church as it recovers its Anabaptist heritage, gains new vitality through the faithfulness of immigrants and learns how to become a multicultural people of God. (p. 26)

26. Southern Africa Development Reconciliation Agency (SADRA Conflict Transformation) trains community mediators, many of whom are pastors, in conflict mediation skills. Pray for these mediators as they work in volatile communities with high rates of conflict, crime, violence, and sexual and gender-based violence. (p. 13)

27. Next month, Laura and Nick Sharp, and their children, Jesse (8) and Brielle (5), plan to begin a year-long assignment in La Mesa, Colombia, where they will serve alongside the Colombia Mennonite Church and its school, *Colegio Americano Menno* (American Menno School.) Pray for them as they prepare for cross-cultural learning, work with English language enrichment and other roles.

28. Jonah and Memee Yang offer trainings in Southeast Asia that focus on discipleship, equipping youth and families, and holistic community building. Pray for Jonah, as he teaches Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Journey Missional Leadership Development program, and for Memee, as she works with women using the Sister Care curriculum. (p. 18)

29. In the midst of the war in Gaza, Bethlehem Bible College continues to work toward its mission of being a Palestinian Christian Evangelical learning community that prepares leaders to serve locally and globally. Pray that these students, and all of us, will have the courage to work for peace. (p. 13)

30. *Friedenhaus* (House of Peace), in Germany, provides language tutoring and help with cultural adaptation for migrants from many countries. Pray for the Mennonite church in Ludwigshafen, which hosts this ministry, and for all the people on the move who have found a place to belong, at least temporarily. (p. 26)

31. A couple has been serving in rural areas of India for 12 years. Pray for them as they conduct eye clinics and medical camps and engage in discipleship training and church planting. In some areas, they also distribute food. (p. 17)

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1. This week, the Colorado Springs (Colorado) Service Adventure unit is serving with Mennonite Disaster Service in Nevada. Pray for unit participants Elisabeth Daudey, Alea Sagert, Sadie Sherman and Hannah Smith, and unit leaders Christian and Leigha Stoltzfus, as they help repair damaged homes. (p. 39)
2. Today, the Rev. Esther Muhagachi of the Tanzania Mennonite Church is completing a week-long evaluation of the church's Sister Care and Compassionate Care programs. Pray that these programs will bless participants and that participants may share the blessings of healing with their communities.
3. Anicka Fast and her family are based in the Netherlands, where Anicka continues to use her expertise in church history and missiology to mentor and train church historians. Pray for her as she strengthens her students' archiving skills through online and in-person consultations. Pray also that she may find new funding sources for this ministry. (p. 23)
4. Today, the steering committee of the Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute (NARPI) is concluding a week-long reunion and planning meeting. They are commemorating the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II and NARPI's 15th anniversary. Pray for NARPI's administrators as they work to make the organization safer and more sustainable. (p. 20)



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- 5.** Pray for the Nepali and expatriate staff of Mission Network's partner organization, United Mission to Nepal, as they address needs in education, community health, peacebuilding in homes and communities, food security, and organizational capacity building. (p. 20)
- 6.** Robin Gingerich has been serving at LCC International University in Lithuania since 2001. Pray for her as she and other LCC faculty and staff help students from 50 countries complete this academic year successfully. (p. 23)
- 7.** Praise God for Mukenge Biduaya, who lives near in the Kalonda Bible Institute in the Democratic Republic of Congo and began worshipping with friends at age 2. Now, at age 13, he leads worship each morning at 6 a.m., before heading off to school. Pray that God will continue to bless Mukenge's ministry.
- 8.** Colleen and Pablo Fast have been serving in Brazil for more than three decades. Pray for them as they mentor church leaders in Humaitá, Brazil. (p. 30)
- 9.** A couple, who has served for five decades in Asia with Community Health Evangelism, is preparing to step back from this ministry. Pray that those whom God is calling will say yes, so that there can be a two-year transition period. (p. 15)
- 10.** As First Mennonite Church of San Francisco (California) celebrates its 50th anniversary this year, they are also celebrating 50 years of Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) in San Francisco! Join the congregation and MVS participants — Conrad Liechty, Ana Esperanza Neufeld Weaver and Sav Roth Walter — in prayers of gratitude for the ways that MVS participants have added to congregational life for the past five decades. (p. 37)
- 11.** On this Mother's Day, we request prayer for all those who have lost their mothers or have never had someone to call "Mother." May we, as the family of God, stretch our minds and enlarge our hearts to include all God's children around the world in a strong and loving embrace.
- 12.** Austin Roberts is completing his doctoral dissertation in intercultural studies, with a focus on reconciliation and mission among emerging adults. Pray for him as he juggles his teaching and training ministry with Youth With A Mission in Northern Ireland and his intense study. (p. 24)
- 13.** André Mudibu Mbuyi pastors the Francophone Community Mennonite Church in Johannesburg, South Africa. Pray for his strength and wisdom and that God will provide for the basic needs of this congregation, which is made up mostly of French-speaking immigrants. (p. 13)
- 14.** Delicia Bravo Aguilar and Peter Wigginton have served in Ecuador since 2015. Pray for them as they serve as coordinators for the Ecuador Partnership, which brings together congregations from Colombia, Ecuador and the United States for mutually transformative ministry. (p. 29)
- 15.** Pray for the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand as its members support and provide resources on Anabaptist theology for churches, other groups and individuals. (p. 21)
- 16.** A professor of Islamic studies and Muslim-Christian relationships has committed her life to facilitating conversations and understandings between Christians and Muslims around the world. Pray for her as she travels. Pray also for her many friends who work in difficult situations of war and other forms of violence.
- 17.** Nigeria Mennonite Church is working toward accreditation for their seminary. Pray that they may accomplish this dream and continue to offer courses for their students, who have many levels of academic and professional needs. (p. 13)
- 18.** Pray that God will provide all the resources necessary for the fruitful ministry of the Brazil Mennonite Church, which is comprised of 40 Portuguese-speaking congregations in six regions. (p. 32)
- 19.** Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher live and work in the Peace Building Community with their five children. Pray for them as they engage with the Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute, Korea Peacebuilding Institute and Korea Association for Restorative Justice, in addition to parenting their children. (p. 16)
- 20.** David and Rebekka Stutzman, and their three children, have served as a missional church family in Germany for 13 years. Pray for them as they network with churches and young adults throughout Germany who are seeking to live and work in missional communities in a post-Christian context. (p. 24)
- 21.** Toni and Matthew Krabill are nearing the end of their two-month North American ministry. Pray for their good health and safe travels, as they prepare to return to Ghana. May God cause the seeds that they have sown during their congregational presentations, sermons and conversations to bear much fruit in strengthening the global church. (p. 10)
- 22.** Today, a Youth Venture team of 11 young adults and two leaders embarks on a 10-day trip to Germany and Switzerland to commemorate the 500th anniversary of Anabaptism by visiting important sites and attending Mennonite World Conference's Young Anabaptist Global Youth Summit. Pray that their faith would grow as they better understand the historical foundations of the church and build global relationships. (p. 41)
- 23.** Pray for the Council of Indigenous Evangelical Peoples and Organizations in Ecuador (FEINE) as they seek justice and peace for their people and nation. (p. 33)
- 24.** Angela (Wenger) and Tomoki Yamanaka are associate co-pastors of the Asahikawa Gospel Church in Hokkaido, Japan. Pray for them and their four children as they offer their hands and feet for God's work and preach God's word. (p. 18)