- **24.** Freddy Barrón and Margrit Kipfer Barrón request prayer for Boliva, where there is a fuel shortage. "As Christians, we need to help people to stay calm and trust in God," Freddy said. Pray for Freddy and Margrit as they work with Bolivia Mennonite Church; Freddy as a pastor and Margrit in Christian education. (p. 29)
- **25.** Pray for the staff at Taiwan Mennonite New Dawn Educare Center as they work with individuals and families affected by intellectual disabilities. (p. 21)
- **26.** CEFCA, the Evangelical Center for Training in Communication for Africa, is based in Ivory Coast and trains church and community leaders in effective communication of the good news of Jesus Christ. Pray for the students from 36 denominations in six African countries, as they develop their skills for sharing God's word. (p. 12)
- **27.** Today, Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission's international board begins a week of meetings in Cape Town, South Africa. Pray for the board members from Africa, Europe and North America as they review the past year and plan for coming years. (p. 11)
- **28.** Pray for Colleen and Pablo Fast as they walk alongside Brazilian church leaders and build relationships with members of their new congregation in Humaitá, Brazil. (p. 30)
- **29.** Praise God for the legacy of the Brussels Mennonite Center in Belgium, that was supported by a Mission Network predecessor agency from 1980-2006. Now, aspects of the center's ministry are carried on through ambassadors of reconciliation based in the Holy Trinity Brussels church building. Pray for those who are working to transform conflict at all levels, from interpersonal to international.
- **30.** Pray for the children of the Caruaru church plant of Brazil Mennonite Church in the northeastern part of the country, as they participate in Bible classes and learn about what it means to follow Jesus. (p. 32)
- **31.** Today, the Asia Anabaptist Mennonite Education Network (AAMEN) consultation, a collaboration of Mission Network, Canada Witness and other institutions, begins in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Pray that God's spirit will move and inspire participants to be faithful and fearless in sharing Jesus' love and peace.

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- **1.** Today, the Alamosa (Colorado) Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) unit begins hosting a five-day retreat for all the MVS units. Pray that this will be a time of worship, mutual encouragement, learning and fun. (pp. 37, 38)
- **2.** At the end of August, Martine Audéoud slipped and broke her wrist while boarding a plane to her home in Ivory Coast. Praise God for miraculous intervention in getting care from a hand specialist in France and for French friends, who opened their home to Martine and her husband, Gary. Pray for complete healing for Martine and pray for 17-year-old Samuel, who flew to Ivory Coast alone to begin school. (p. 10)
- **3.** Vikal Pravin Rao, secretary of Mennonite Church in India, requests prayer for Dhamtari Christian Hospital that is "facing baseless allegations from certain groups who seek to disrupt the peace and the sacred work being carried out there." Pray also for all the Mennonite hospitals in India. (p. 19)
- **4.** 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 health as she travels extensively. Pray also for her many friends, who work in difficult situations of war and other forms of violence.

- **5.** Juan Pacheco Lozano has been named Mission Network's new regional director for Latin America. Pray for wisdom and energy, as Juan continues to build relationships with Mennonite churches and partners across twelve Latin American countries.
- **6.** Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig were not able to renew their visas to continue ministry in Chad. Pray for them and their three children as they move to Montbéliard, France, for the coming school year. Pray that the family can make a smooth adjustment and that they can contribute to *La Prairie* Mennonite Church's ministry to Muslim immigrants. (p. 10)
- **7.** Today, a Just Peace Pilgrimage begins a five-day experience in Navajoland, near Bluff, Utah. Pray for the 26 participants as they learn about settler colonial history and the ways that dominant culture continues to harm the Indigenous way of life from Sarah Augustine, executive director of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery, and Joe Hubbard, convener of the Episcopal Indigenous Justice Roundtable. (p. 36)
- **8.** Pray for the JCS International's leadership at all levels and, especially for Gerlee (many Mongolian people identify with a single name), in her role as interim executive director. May God's Spirit guide this leadership transition and pray for more long-term workers to help with the many opportunities to serve in Mongolia. (p. 20)
- **9.** Praise God for Ben and Laurel Woodward-Breckbill's extensive ministry of hospitality during the summer at the Paris Mennonite Center (PMC) in France. Pray for them as they return to their academic routines and continue to strengthen the PMC's ministry of sharing Anabaptist resources with the French-speaking world. (p. 25)
- **10.** C. Paul and Hildi Amstutz have "retired," in the sense that they are no longer employed, but they continue to be very active in leading spiritual retreats and mentoring. Pray for them as they continue to build on the foundation of 40 years of ministry in Paraguay. (p. 29)
- **11.** This weekend, First Mennonite Church of San Francisco is celebrating their 50th anniversary in California. Members are also praising God for 50 years of hosting a Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) unit that has given the congregation more possibilities to build relationships in the community. Pray for the ongoing ministries of the congregation and the MVS unit. (p. 37)
- **12.** From their home in Ghana, Toni and Matthew Krabill are engaged in many ministries across West Africa. Pray for them as they work with The Sanneh Institute, churches and communities in Ghana and the Center for the Formation of Justice and Peace in Ivory Coast. (p. 10)
- **13.** Today is Indigenous Peoples' Day. Mennonite congregations in North America are growing in their awareness of the need to address injustice done through colonization and land theft. Pray for healing both in Indigenous communities and White settler communities.

- **14.** Pray for Akiko Aratani and Ray Epp in Japan as they teach in a regenerative agriculture education program and build a spiritual retreat center. (p. 15)
- **15.** Praise God for the fruitful ministry of Alfonsina and José Oyanguren in Argentina's Chaco region since 2004. They request prayer for the people who attend the Qom Bible studies, that they might carry the love of Jesus into their communities, and for those who are completing their secondary school education. (p. 30)
- **16.** Today, Seth and Stephany Rudeen are beginning a 12-day Anabaptist learning tour in Guatemala. Pray for open hearts and minds for them and the other participants. This tour marks the transition from Seth and Stephany's language learning experience to Carchá, Guatemala, where they will serve the remainder of the year.
- **17.** Friedenshaus (House of Peace), a ministry in Ludwigshafen, Germany, accompanies migrants. Pray for the Mennonite congregation, which hosts this ministry, that they may bless those who have no place to call home, through language learning, helping children with their homework and sewing projects. (pp. 26, 27)
- **18.** Mennonite Church Uganda places a high priority on education. Pray for the children and teachers at Lamb's Christian School. (p. 13)
- **19.** *Iglesia Evangélica Menonita de Chile* (IEMCH, Chile Mennonite Church) is known for reaching out to people in need and sharing food and clothes with people on the streets. Pray for the seven IEMCH congregations as they seek to raise the financial resources to continue these ministries. (p. 32)
- **20.** Today is *Diwali*, the Hindu Festival of Lights, that celebrates the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. Long-term mission workers in India and other Asian countries request prayer for followers of Jesus to share with their Hindu neighbors about the true Light of the World in culturally sensitive ways.
- **21.** Today Kate Widmer works at *La Prairie* (The Prairie) Church's bookstore and café in Montbéliard, France. Pray that she would witness to Jesus' love as she welcomes immigrant families into this place of belonging and renewal (p. 25)
- **22.** La Casa Grande (The Big House), a Christian children's home in Benin, witnesses to God's love and peace in the communities around them. Pray that the children who grow up in this large family will continue work for the good of all their neighbors. (p. 11)
- **23.** The Service Adventure unit in Anchorage, Alaska, is made up of Adriana Duerksen, Ian Unzicker, Ruben Veigel, along with Mir Knego (leader). Pray for them as they build healthy relationships in their household, at their service placements and with their host congregation, Prince of Peace Mennonite Church.