

24. Kate Widmer has been serving with the La Prairie Church in Montbéliard, France, since 2019. She works in the church café and bookstore, organizes activities for women and children in the neighborhood where she lives, and leads a sewing group, a mamas' group and a girls' group. Pray for perseverance, as Kate lovingly juggles her many responsibilities (p. 25).

25. The Bolivia Global Mission Partnership is made up of the Bolivia Mennonite Church, Mission Network, Pleasant Valley Mennonite Church (Harper, Kansas) and Crystal Springs Mennonite Church (Harper, Kansas). Pray for their continued commitment to one another through mutual prayer and inspirational visits (p. 34).

26. Joseph and Rachel Givens, and their two children, have returned from their North American Ministry and are settling back into life in France. Pray for this family as they continue to adjust to their new ministry roles and relationships with new partners (p. 23).

27. Akiko Aratani and Ray Epp serve in Naganuma, Japan, where they lead workshops, provide consultations and offer demonstrations on regenerative agriculture practices. Pray that this ministry continues to provide their community with the resources needed to care for creation and create a healthier environment for all (p. 15).

28. Today marks the beginning of a three-day spiritual care conference for chaplaincy in interfaith contexts hosted by Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary and sponsored by Mission Network. Pray for participants as they learn how to better care for the spiritual needs of people of differing faiths and cultures.

29. A group from Eden Mennonite Church, in Moundridge, Kansas, begins their week-long Civil Rights Just Peace Pilgrimage today. Pray for participants as they travel through the southern U.S., learning about racism and the Civil Rights Movement from historical sites, museums and first-hand accounts. Pray that this experience will inspire participants to enact change in their own communities (p. 39).

30. Angela (Wenger) and Tomoki Yamanaka have been serving in Asahikawa, Japan, since 1997. Pray for their ministry as they co-pastor the Asahikawa Gospel Church in Hokkaido, Japan (p. 17).

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1. South Sudan has been experiencing escalating conflict, as well as floods and sharply reduced harvests. This has triggered widespread economic decline and forced more than 2.6 million people from their homes. Additionally, 2.4 million people have fled into the country from neighboring Sudan, compounding the economic strain. Please pray for immediate support for the South Sudan Mennonite Church and other organizations to be able to provide basic food items to vulnerable households.

2. Praise God for Seth and Stephany Rudeen's year in Guatemala. They express gratitude for the time they spent teaching and working at the Bezaleel school in San Pedro Carchá. Pray that God will continue to water the seeds that the Rudeens planted while in Guatemala (p. 31).

3. Pray with Chris Scott, Mennonite Mission Network's facilitator for emerging faith communities, that more people would be open to God's call to explore opportunities to focus on those outside of the church and consider church planting (p. 45).

4. In May, the executive coordinator of Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (AIMM), John Fumana, tragically died. Please pray for AIMM staff as they grieve the passing of their leader and friend, in addition to adjusting to the new interim executive coordination team (p. 11).

5. Dhamtari Christian Hospital is a large, self-supporting hospital and educational facility in India. Pray for all who work there, as they seek to provide quality health care for patients and medical education for students who are committed to serving as rural doctors in India, all while demonstrating the love of Jesus to all they encounter (p. 18).



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- 6.** Today, Dan and Tina Beachy begin their SOOP assignment at the Reservoir Hill House of Peace (RHHP), in Baltimore, Maryland, where they will assist with facility maintenance and work with asylum seekers in a variety of capacities. Pray that the Beachys and the guests at RHHP are able to deeply bless one another during their two weeks together (pp. 43-44).
- 7.** The Anabaptist Association of Australia & New Zealand reports that Australia is experiencing increased religious polarization fueled by politicians encouraging a sense of separation between people of different cultural backgrounds. Pray that the people of Australia resist the temptation of falling into the ease of an “us versus them” mentality and instead create a culture of welcome (p. 21).
- 8.** MVS program director Alex Mace and Mission Network’s new service engagement coordinator Luisa Dutchersmith are visiting the Alamosa, Colorado, unit for the next two days. Pray for Luisa as she learns more about Mission Networks programs through this visit. Pray also for the participants in the Alamosa unit as they continue to acclimate themselves to one another, their service placements and their new home (p. 40).
- 9.** A group of pilgrims are beginning a Just Peace Pilgrimage to South Africa today. They will spend the next two weeks learning from Mission Network partner Iziko Lemaqabane. Pray that this cross-cultural experience will open the eyes of participants, as they explore the effects of colonialism, segregation, racism and apartheid, and the role of the church in responding to these struggles (pp. 13, 39).
- 10.** Praise God that SEMILLA is now offering a diploma in the Bible, leadership and youth ministry for young Mennonites. Pray for students participating in this program as their classes begin today (p. 36).
- 11.** 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. 34).
- 12.** Mennonite Christian Hospital (MCH) is a major regional teaching hospital in Hualien, Taiwan, specializing in geriatric and long-term community health care. Pray for MCH staff, as they serve the underprivileged, remote communities, the elderly, children in early intervention and people with disabilities (p. 21).
- 13.** For the past several months, South Africa has been experiencing increasingly violent anti-immigration protests and demonstrations. Pray for an end to the violence, safety for immigrants and resolution to the xenophobic sentiments fueling the protests.
- 14.** Ben and Laurel Woodward-Breckbill, and their two children, have returned to Paris, France, after their North American Ministry earlier this summer. Pray for this family as they return to the routines of their work and home at the Paris Mennonite Cener (p. 26).
- 15.** The Association of Anabaptists, Mennonites and Brethren in Christ in Spain is a network of nine congregations. Pray for them as they plant new churches and provide resources pertaining to Anabaptist theology (p. 28).
- 16.** Sophia Belknap, Josiah Eisenhour, Noemi Fiedler, Ralph Lipscomb and Ian Thomson are in their second month of service with the Colorado Springs, Colorado, Service Adventure unit. Pray for this group of young adults as they are getting to know one another and building community together (p. 42).
- 17.** LCC International University, in Klaipėda, Lithuania, has announced Dr. Ken Stoltzfus as its new president. Pray for Dr. Stoltzfus as he steps into this new role of leading the school in its commitment to Christ-centered higher education, and pray for staff and students as they adjust to his leadership (p. 28).
- 18.** JCS International in Mongolia is looking for people to fill a variety of ministry roles through short- or long-term service. Pray that those whom God is calling into these roles would have open hearts and the courage to follow that call (p. 20).
- 19.** Alfonsina Finger and José Oyanguren serve the Indigenous Peoples in the Argentine Chaco. Pray for their ministry of accompaniment and encouragement, as they support the Argentina Chaco Global Mission Partnership, nurture long-term relationships, and value Indigenous languages and cultures (p. 31).
- 20.** In Ghana, accusations of witchcraft force vulnerable women to seek refuge in “witch camps,” where they live in destitution and fear. The Sanneh Institute is actively working to advocate for justice and protection for those who have been affected by these accusations. Pray that this work will encourage the Ghanaian government to pass legislation to ban witch hunts and safeguard the rights of vulnerable women (p. 12).
- 21.** As the church continues to expand and respond to the change around us, pray that we might have the courage and wisdom to lean into the next era of the Anabaptist movement. Pray also for a church-planting culture to be formed at Mennonite Church USA (p. 45).
- 22.** The Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute (NARPI) introduced its new youth initiative, Beyond Borders, at the NARPI Summer Peacebuilding Training last month. Pray for the youth and young adults in this program as they engage in intercultural dialogue, mentoring, networking and self-care practices (p. 21).
- 23.** This week, DMFK (German Mennonite Peace Committee) is leading a learning trip to Lesbos, Greece, where participants will see how the European Union militarizes its borders. Pray for open and engaged hearts, as participants learn about solidarity-based options for opposing militarization of their borders (p. 27).