



Daily Prayer Guide



Ask of me,
and I will make the nations your inheritance,
the ends of the earth your possession.

Psalm 2:8

March 2010

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**NEW
FEATURE**

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**May God be gracious to us
and bless us and make his face
shine upon us, that your ways
may be known on earth, your
salvation among all nations.**

Psalm 67:1-2

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March 1-6

Monday [1]: Oasis Team

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For the past week, key pastoral leaders from various parts of N. Africa have been meeting together with MBMSI workers for a time of mutual encouragement, teaching and hearing from the Lord together. As they finish their time together in the next couple of days and head back to their countries, pray that the Lord will give these pastors joy, vision, and strength in the face of potential persecution. Pray that churches throughout N. Africa will continue to grow and raise up mature believers. Pray that many new people will respond to the gospel as a result of the presence and ministry of these believers.

"...until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." Ephesians 4:13

Tuesday [2]: Finance Team

Abbotsford

Praise the Lord for the diligent, detailed people who serve joyfully behind the scenes on MBMSI's finance Team. Pray that the Lord will continue to fill the team with joy, vision for their work, and the ability to think clearly. Pray for the members of this team: Selwyn Uittenbosch, Dale Regier, Susan Blaney, Gayle Doerksen, Rachel Wall and Dianne Schroeder. Pray also that the Lord will continue to raise up abundant provision, in order to enable the advancement of His kingdom around the globe.

"And this is the confidence that we have toward Him, that if we ask anything according to His will He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of Him." 1 John 5:14-15

Wednesday [3]: Trevor & Rebekah

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As Trevor travels this week in Central Asia and N. Africa, pray for safety, health, and the ability to relate well to the people God puts in his path. Pray for Rebekah and their son Isaiah as they remain in Canada. This family is still in the process of building a prayer and financial support team. Pray that God will raise up strategic individuals, families and churches to stand with this family.

"And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

Thursday [4]: Einer & Girsela Zuluaga

Panama

The Zuluagas have recently relocated to a new area of Panama. As they make this transition, pray for strength and joy. Pray that the Lord will use this couple strategically in the city of Yavisa to start a church. Pray that the Lord will raise up new disciples of Jesus, and that Einer and Girsela will have the opportunity to mentor them into leadership roles. The Zuluagas request prayer for Girsela's health, vision for their work, that the Lord will provide an AM radio transmitter, and that they will be humbly guided by the Lord in this ministry.

"And he said, 'O man greatly beloved, fear not! Peace be to you; be strong, yes, be strong!' So when he spoke to me I was strengthened, and said, 'Let my lord speak, for you have strengthened me.'" Daniel 10:19

Friday [5]: Berlin MB Church

Germany

For the past couple of years, the MB church in Berlin has been engaged in a significant renovation project, transforming an old, unusable building into a welcoming, functional worship and community center. Praise the Lord for providing the funds, people and expertise needed to make this vision a reality. Pray for Andrew and Olga Pritzkau as they provide leadership in this church. Pray that many people in the neighborhood will encounter Jesus as a result of the presence of this church body, and that the people of Berlin will be transformed by the grace, love and power of God.

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." Romans 12:2

Saturday [6]: Richard & Hazel Funk

Austria

Praise God for Richard and Hazel Funk, and pray that they will continue to have a significant impact for the advancement of God's Kingdom in Austria. They recently wrote, "We have met with the leadership of one of our Austrian churches for a 24 hour time of prayer and fasting. This was very encouraging for all. It is our desire to meet with the leadership groups of the remaining five Austrian MB churches, in a similar way in the next months. Pray for a growing commitment to prayer in our churches here."

"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!" Psalm 133:1

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Sunday [7]: Murray & Faith Nickel

Congo

Murray will be travelling next month to Congo, India and Southeast Asia to meet with people involved in holistic ministry initiatives. Pray that God will prepare the way for him. We are praying for more ministries initiated by indigenous church members with skills and vision to reach out to their local communities. Praise God for the impact of some of these ministries, such as the Bon Berger Clinic and Bomoyi Ya Sika Home for Children, are having in their communities. Many people have experienced the love of Jesus as their physical needs are met.

"Therefore I will look to the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation; My God will hear me." Micah 7:7

Monday [8]: Motohiro & Mariya Hamana

Thailand

The Hamanas have recently moved to Thailand, and are in the beginning stages of learning Thai language and culture. Please pray that God will give them the ability to learn language and culture effectively, so that they can relate well to Thai people. Pray that God will enable them to manage the stress of entering into a new culture. Moto and Mariya also ask that you pray for good health, spiritually, mentally and physically. Pray that God will use this couple in marvelous ways.

"Therefore know that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments." Deuteronomy 7:9

Tuesday [9]: Robert & Anne Thiessen

Mexico

Praise God that people being introduced to Jesus and are taking a stand for Him. Praise God that three new believers were baptized in late January. Please lift up Yasli, Gerardo, and Rigoberta, representing two families, and join us in praying that God will reach out through them to their extended networks of family and friends. Pray that these new believers will be rooted deeply in God's Word, and that they will continue to experience the great joy of being in relationship with the Living God.

"Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the Scriptures declare, 'Rivers of living water will flow from his heart.'" John 7:38

Wednesday [10]: Regional Mobilizer Team

North America

The Regional Mobilization team serves the MB churches of North America by encouraging and equipping churches and individuals for global mission. Pray for this team as they preach and teach, meet with leaders, discern potential missions involvement with a wide variety of people, connect new missionaries to churches, and run various short-term mission programs. Pray for vision, wisdom, favor, and the ability to communicate effectively for Sam Dick, John Best and Annelisa Toews in Abbotsford; Galen Wiest, Mark Thompson and Kathy Moser in Fresno; Lloyd and Carol Letkeman and Anne Friesen in Winnipeg; Philip Serez and Cynthia Hislop in Waterloo; and Jon Pritchard and Chris Spahr in Wichita.

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Colossians 3:17

Thursday [11]: Christoph & Antonia Hägele

Lithuania

The Hägele family support the Lithuanian MB Conference by teaching at Evangelical Bible Institute and mentoring new leaders. Pray that the Lord will enable them to speak strategically into the lives of many young leaders, and that the church in Lithuania will continue to grow in size, depth and impact. Today, the Lithuanian MB churches have their yearly conference. Pray for a blessed, encouraging and unifying event. Pray also for the Hägele's son Erich, who is currently completing his final exams in the Lithuanian school system. Pray that the Lord will give him focus, and that His guidance will be clear in Erich's life as he makes decisions about his future.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, and whose hope is the LORD." Jeremiah 17:7

Friday [12]: Ricky and Karen Sanchez

Thailand

Ricky and Karen, part of Team 2000 in Chonburi write: "Praise God for the many new believers in Ang Sila, a small fishing village in Chonburi. We saw 24 people come to Christ in four days through DMI, and now the hard work of discipleship is on! Pray that they all put roots down deep in Jesus and the church. Pray for the Abundant Life Home orphanage and the ten new children we are receiving in March, and for the two new Thai mothers who will take on this ministry. Pray that they all adjust well and quickly and for the health and healing of the children."

"At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, 'Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?' And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, 'Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 18:1-3

Saturday [13]: Dave & Mel

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Dave, Mel and their children are currently making the transition into being long term missionaries in Central Asia. As they engage in language and cultural acquisition, pray for the ability to learn quickly. Pray also that their relationships with each other will be characterized by grace and love, and that the stresses of entering a new city and culture will be manageable because of God's protective, loving presence. Pray that this family, along with their team, will have a significant impact as they share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with many who do not yet know Him.

"Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone." Colossians 4:5-6

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Sunday [14]: Jason & Andrea Edwards

Brazil

Praise God for the skills He has given this couple in teaching, coaching, mentoring and nursing. Pray that the Lord will continue to use Jason and Andrea in significant ways as they serve at Pan American Christian Academy in Sao Paulo. Pray that God will open up opportunities for this couple to speak truth and love into the lives of the next generation of leaders, and that those who do not yet know Jesus will encounter Him in transformational ways. Pray for strength in Jason and Andrea's marriage, and that they will continue to have a shared vision for ministry.

"Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you." 2 Thessalonians 3:1

Monday [15]: Sandra Fender

Thailand

Praise God for giving Sandra strength and focus during this past year of language study in Thailand. As she enters a new phase of ministry, pray that God will direct every step she takes, and that she will be attentive to the Lord's voice. Pray for much favour for Sandra among Thai people, and pray that God will use Sandra to lead many people to Himself. Praise God for the mighty work He is doing in Thailand, and pray that God will continue to raise up and call out workers for this harvest field.

"By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence." 2 Peter 1:3

Tuesday [16]: Lead Team

Abbotsford, BC

The Lead Team is meeting today. Pray for Randy Friesen (General Director), JP Hayashida (Operations, IT & Communications), Ray Harms-Wiebe (Global Program), Paul Dyck (Member Care), and Selwyn Uittenbosch (Finance) as they seek the Lord's direction on a wide variety of issues. Pray that God will continue to give these men strength, wisdom and insight. Pray that their families will remain

strong and united. As most of these men travel widely, pray for safety, health, favour with the people God puts in their path, and the ability to communicate effectively across various cultures.

"As each has received a gift, employ it in serving one another, as good managers of the grace of God in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Wednesday [17]: Andy & Carmen Owen

Thailand

Andy and Carmen, members of Team 2000 in Chonburi, write: "Praise God for the many new believers following Christmas outreaches and DMI evangelism week! Please pray for these new believers to grow in their faith and commitment to follow Jesus. Also pray for the volunteer church members who are uniting to disciple and care for the new believers. The Life Center is going on six years of life in a rented building, and looking at creative options for a more permanent worship center. Please pray for wisdom and clarity as the leaders discern the next steps. Praise God with us for our precious daughter who we are in the process of adopting. Please pray for our family as we work towards finalizing the adoption, getting her a visa, and make plans to return to the US for MINA (Mobilization in North America)."

"So shall My word be that goes forth from my mouth; It shall not return to Me void. But it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."

Isaiah 55:11

Thursday [18]: Robert & Marlene

RESTRICTED

Pray for Robert and Marlene as they work towards setting up a Christian camping and retreat center in the Central Asian country where they serve. Pray that God will provide a piece of land, the needed funds, and all of the necessary approvals from the government, in order to make this vision a reality. Pray that the Lord will continue to give this couple vision for ministry, and that He will continue to draw people to Himself in this Central Asian nation.

"May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will..." Hebrews:20-21

Friday [19]: Doris Goerz

Japan

Pray for Doris as she serves in the Amagasaki MB Church, supporting the pastor and ministries in the church through English and Bible classes, music, relational evangelism, discipleship and preaching. Pray that God will continue to work through her in mighty ways. Pray that people will enter into a relationship with God because of their encounters with Doris. Pray for continued vision for ministry, and for spiritual, physical and emotional health for Doris as she serves.

"By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35

Saturday [20]: Mark & Amy

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Pray for Mark and Amy as they reach out to their friends and neighbors. Pray that the Lord will give them favor and wisdom as they communicate about Jesus to

people who have not yet encountered Him. Pray that many people will accept the Lord as a result of knowing Mark and Amy. Pray that God will use the kids that they reach at Kid's Club to impact their parents with the gospel. As Mark and Amy prepare for a number of new people to join their team in this coming year, pray that the Lord will grant much grace and that He will give the entire team a shared vision and purpose.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16

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Sunday [21]: Greg & Becky Ouellette

Thailand

Pray for Greg, Becky and their teammate Cynthia Friesen, as they transition back into life in Thailand, having experienced some changes in their team makeup. Pray that God will give this team a renewed sense of purpose and vision, and that God will use them in surprising, wonderful ways. Pray that the TREK team the Operation 2nd Wave team is hosting will be a strategic force and that the TREKers will be able to build relationships with a wide variety of people. Pray that people will come to know Jesus as a result of the presence of these missionaries in Thailand.

"And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, 'Great and marvelous are your works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are your ways, you King of saints.'" Revelation 15:3

Monday [22]: Ernie & Elfrieda Reimer

Lithuania

Pray for new believers in Lithuania. Ernie and Elfrieda report that in the city of Alytus there seemed to be no response for several years and now, folks who have been coming to church are finally responding and accepting Christ. Pray for the Lithuanian believers that are taking leadership and pray that these believers will receive mentoring and experience growth in their relationships with the Lord. Also, pray that the Reimers will have opportunities to share the Lithuania story to North American churches.

"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:6,7

Tuesday [23]: Liana Penner

Peru

As Liana supervises the English program at a Christian school in Trujillo, and provides ministerial support in the Trujillo MB Church, pray that the Lord will continue to use her as a significant encouragement and blessing to the people who God puts in her path. Pray that many people will come to know Jesus as a result of Liana's presence in Peru. Pray for continued vision, the ability to discern each next step the Lord calls her to, and boldness to obey the Lord's promptings.

"The LORD will perfect that which concerns me; your mercy, O LORD, endures forever; do not forsake the works of Your hands." Psalm 138:8

Wednesday [24]: Ben & Melissa Froese

Germany

Ben and Melissa recently moved to Berlin to serve with Andrew and Olga Pritzkau at the Berlin MB Church. Please pray that the adjustment period will be healthy, that they will be able to learn language quickly, and that cultural acquisition will happen effectively. Pray that God will give them many opportunities to share His love and truth in this city that is predominantly atheistic. Pray that the Lord will transform Berlin and that many people will come to know Him. Pray for unity on the church planting team, and that God will continue to give them vision and courage for this ministry.

"I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ." Philemon 1:6

Thursday [25]: SOAR Heartland

Winnipeg

Today close to 300 people are gathering for the start of SOAR Heartland in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Pray for Lloyd and Carol Letkeman, Anne Friesen, and the volunteer leadership team as they orchestrate, direct and disciple this group. Pray that the people of Winnipeg will encounter Jesus as a result of encountering SOAR participants. Pray that teams will be unified. Pray that each participant will grow in their relationship with the Lord, and that they will have a deeper sense of commitment to sharing the love of Jesus with the people around them.

"Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when you say, 'I have no pleasure in them.'" Ecclesiastes 12:1

Friday [26]: SOAR Mexico

Mexico

SOAR Mexico starts in Guadalajara today. Pray for the Matthew Team (Trever and Joan Godard, Sandra Plett, Jen Schmidt) and for Mark Thompson (STM coordinator, Western USA) as they provide leadership for this program. Pray that the Lord will use the participants to encourage Mexican believers, and that people will encounter Jesus in a transformational way. Praise the Lord for the wonderful work that God has been doing through MB church plants in Guadalajara, and pray that the SOAR program will be a strategic boost to the ministries of these church plants.

"Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12

Saturday [27]: Stacy Kuhns

Mexico

Pray for Stacy as she teaches in a high school in Guadalajara. Pray that she will be able to have a significant impact on many young lives. Pray for health, strength, joy and the ability to communicate God's love effectively to the people in the school where she teaches. Pray for unity among Stacy and the members of MBMSI's Matthew Team, as they work closely together. Pray that the Lord will continue to enable Stacy to adapt effectively to the culture and language of Mexico, and that people will encounter Jesus as a result of their relationship with Stacy.

"All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had." Acts 4:32

March 28-31

Sunday [28]: Missionary Training

Abbotsford, BC

Praise the Lord that this year there are 18 new missionaries preparing for long term service with MBMSI. As these people continue training and enter into the support raising phase, pray that they will continue to have shapeable hearts. Pray that the Lord will build strong teams of prayer and relational support around each of these people. Pray that He will be preparing hearts of the people in the countries where these new missionaries will be heading. Pray that the Lord will continue to build the faith of these new missionaries, and that He will give them opportunities to share their faith while they are still here in North America.

"Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:12-13

Monday [29]: Jose & Esperanza Prada

Peru

As Jose and Esperanza lead a church plant in Lima, pray for abundant wisdom and that God will continue to give this couple pastoral hearts. Pray that the Lord will continue to pour love and grace into their lives, so that they can in turn pour love and grace into the lives of their church members. Pray that this church will continue to grow in maturity and missional vision, and that the Lord will use this community of believers to impact many lives in Lima.

"'And I will strengthen them in the LORD, and in His name they will walk,' declares the LORD." Zechariah 10:12

Tuesday [30]: Eastern Canada Office

Waterloo, ON

Praise God for Philip Serez and Cynthia Hislop, who serve in the Eastern Canada office in Waterloo, Ontario. Pray that God will continue to give them abundant vision as they present opportunities for MB churches in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes to be engaged in global mission. Pray for many new missionaries to be raised up in this region. As Philip and Cynthia prepare for ACTION:Ontario (May-June) and SOAR Montreal (July), pray for energy, creativity, and that the Lord will mobilize participants for these programs.

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15

Wednesday [31]: Jennifer Schmidt

Mexico

Jen serves as part of the Matthew Team in Guadalajara. Pray for continued unity and shared vision among that team. Praise the Lord for the ways He is using Jen in discipleship relationships with young women. Pray that God will continue to give Jen the ability to encourage, challenge and speak truth into the lives of these young women. As Jen and the rest of the team host a TREK team right now, pray for the needed energy and wisdom to provide solid leadership, and pray that the

TREK team will have a transformational impact through their words, attitudes and actions. Pray for continued health, joy and strength for Jen.

"But it is good for me to draw near to God; I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all Your works." Psalm 73:28



Church service in N'Dorola, Burkina Faso

Prayer for the Nations

Burkina Faso



With Islam rapidly becoming the most prominent religion in the country, it could be easy to become discouraged if we did not know that God is in control and all things happen in accordance to His perfect will and timing. What is obvious is that the people of Burkina are searching for God.

The work on translating the Bible into the Nanerige language has been seeing steady progress and God continues to open doors for the sharing of the good news of Jesus Christ in the village of N'Dorola and the surrounding area.

Please pray:

- Pray that the team in N'Dorola (Phil & Carol Bergen, Blaine & Michelle Warner, Maliki, and Pastor Madou) would grow closer to God and each other.
- Pray that the team in N'Dorola would reflect Him as they interact with their neighbors and each other.
- Pray for the growth and spiritual maturity of the new body of believers in N'Dorola.
- Pray also that hearts would be opened to receive the Gospel as the team shares the scriptures.

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