

Daily Prayer Guide



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

Psalm 2:8

November 2008

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Thank you for praying! We believe prayer is the foundation of our ministry and you are a valuable partner in our vision of transforming lives in mission.

“Both riches and honor come from thee, and thou rulest over all. In thy hand are power and might; and in thy hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank thee, our God, and praise thy glorious name.”

I Chron. 29:12-13

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November 1

Saturday [1]: Alfredo & Sandra Beltran

Mexico

Pray for Alfredo & Sandra as they provide pastoral leadership to the RETO church plant in Guadalajara. **Pray** that the relationship between the Beltrons and the Matthew Team will continue to be solid, and that as their ministries connect they will support one another. **Pray** that RETO church will continue to experience spiritual growth and that Alfredo & Sandra will have wisdom and grace as they pastor this group of people. **Praise** God for the youth in the church who have recently chosen to take the step of baptism, and **pray** that their hunger for God and His word will continue to grow.

So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. Romans 12:5

November 2-8

Sunday [2]: Barbara Block

India

As Barbara ministers to children in the Kodaikanal International School and the Bethania Home for Children, **pray** that she will have the ability to understand their needs and the wisdom to know how to meet those needs. **Pray** that the students will learn truth about God as they study art with Barbara, and **praise** God for her gifts and obedience to use them in a way that glorifies Him. **Pray** that the Lord will continue to bless the relationships that she has with the community around her, and **pray** that this community will provide opportunities for her to both encourage and be encouraged.

As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who utters oracles of God; whoever renders service, as one who renders it by the strength which God supplies; in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. 1 Peter 4:10-11

Monday [3]: Phone Keo & Chansone

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As Phone Keo & Chansone serve in an area that sometimes presents danger to them and to those they serve, **pray** for continued wisdom, safety, boldness and abundant opportunity to share the love of Jesus. **Pray** that the persecuted church in this area will continue to flourish and that the church leaders will continue to walk in obedience to the Lord's call on their lives. **Pray** also that the church leaders will experience God in ever deeper ways that continue to transform them spiritually so that they can reach out to their communities with grace and passion.

For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I shall not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. Philippians 1:19-20

Tuesday [4]: Doris Goertz

Japan

Doris has recently been remobilized to serve as a long term missionary in Japan. As she works closely with the Amagasaki MB Church teaching English and provides leadership to shorter term ESL teachers in Japan, **pray** that the Lord will give her joy, wisdom and the ability to be an effective communicator of the Gospel. **Pray** that the Lord will use her gifts in translation, teaching and leading worship to build up the church and to lead many people into the presence of the Lord. **Pray** that the Lord will continue to grow the Japan MB Conference and empower its leaders.

Out of all gifts to you, you shall present every offering due to the Lord, from all the best of them, giving the hallowed part from them. Numbers 18:29

Wednesday [5]: MBMSI Staff

Wichita

Praise God for Craig Jost and Christine Spahr, who serve faithfully and diligently in the Midwest US, calling individuals and churches to engage in global mission by going, praying and giving. **Pray** that God will bless the relationships that Craig and Chris have with MB churches and that God will continue to raise up and send out workers from this in this region. **Pray** for energy as they coordinate several Celebrate Mission Night events in Kansas, South Dakota and Oklahoma this month.

I love thee, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:1-2

Thursday [6]: DMI

India

Pray for safe travel and good health as participants leave today on a Disciple Making International (DMI) trip to India. **Pray** that God will direct the participants to those homes where people are seeking God, and **pray** that even now, God will begin working in the hearts of those who will be hearing the gospel over the next weeks. **Pray** that many people will receive Jesus as Lord and Savior and that they will be integrated into local churches that can disciple them.

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of Him everywhere. II Corinthians 2:14

Friday [7]: Dave & Louise Sinclair-Peters

Thailand

Having served in Chonburi for 8 years, **praise** God that the Sinclair-Peters family has had abundant opportunity to see people give their lives to Jesus. **Pray** that this will continue, and that Thai believers will be bold in proclaiming their faith to their family and friends despite the opposition they so often face. As Dave & Louise work with several new church plants, **pray** that God will give them wisdom as they identify and disciple leaders. **Pray** for Louise as she gives leadership to the Bethel Church Plant and for Dave as he hosts the TREK team that arrived this month.

Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call nations that you know not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for He has glorified you.

Isaiah 55:4-5

Saturday [8]: Celebrate Mission Night

Kansas & Oklahoma

This weekend, Randy Friesen (General Director) along with Craig Jost (Regional Mobilizer, Midwest USA), will be hosting several MBMS International Celebrate Missions Night events. **Pray** that the Lord will use these events to call people to greater involvement in global mission through going, praying and giving. **Ask** the Lord to prompt many people to attend this event. **Pray** that worshipping together will lead to deeper unity among MB churches in the region as they respond to the call to engage together in global mission.

Ascribe to the Lord, the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come before Him! Worship the Lord in holy array; I Chronicles 16:29

November 9-15

Sunday [9]: Liana Penner

Peru

Pray that Liana will have many opportunities to share her faith and that people will come to know the Lord as a result of her witness in Trujillo. **Praise** God for her faithful obedience and service over many years, and **pray** that He will continue to give her passion for the work to which she is called. As teammates Robert & Erika Sukkau complete their ministry in Peru, **pray** that Liana will be able to experience community in new ways with those around her. **Pray** that God will continue to meet her in personal, intimate ways and that she will continue to grow in her relationship with Him.

Can two walk together except they be agreed? Amos 3:3

Monday [10]: Sandra Fender

Thailand

Sandra recently completed MBMSI's Missionary Training Institute and has been commissioned to serve in North Thailand. As she continues to build a network of support, **pray** that the Lord will give her quick favor with people and that many will capture the vision that she has for ministry in North Thailand. **Pray** that the Lord will raise up intercessors on her behalf and on behalf of Thai people. **Pray** for a sharp mind and an open heart as she learns language and culture. **Pray** also for Sandra's daughter, Candice, who is participating in MBMSI's TREK program this year.

Aim at righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I Timothy 6:11b-12

Tuesday [11]: Murray & Faith Nickel

DR Congo

Pray for Murray & Faith as they assist the Congolese in the development of improved healthcare, social programs, higher education, and the operation of Christian businesses. **Praise** God that many of these initiatives are having a transforming impact on people's lives and **pray** that God will enable the Congolese leaders of these initiatives to continue to manage these projects with wisdom and integrity. **Pray** for health and safety for the Nickels as they travel from Canada to DR Congo on a regular basis.

Blessed is he who considers the poor! The Lord delivers him in the day of trouble; the Lord protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land. Psalm 41:1-2a

Wednesday [12]: Saji & Bindu

Extended MINA

After several years of service in a restricted access country, Saji & Bindu are spending some time in North America for a season of rest, encouragement and preparation for their return to the field. **Praise** God for the many relationships they were able to build during their first term of service, and **pray** that God will continue to foster these relationships even from a distance. **Pray** that their teammates on the field will have the strength and encouragement they need to carry on with the ministry to

which God has called them. **Pray** that the Lord will use Saji & Bindu to bless many people while they spend time in North America.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to the sons of men! And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

Psalms 107:21-22

Thursday [13]: Melanie Humphreys

Lithuania

Melanie provides significant leadership to the Student Life department at Lithuania Christian College. **Pray** for her as she teaches, counsels and mentors students from a variety of backgrounds and countries. **Pray** that God will use Melanie as a strategic voice for Christianity and the transforming love of Jesus at the school and in the city of Klaipeda. **Pray** that Melanie will have opportunity to receive encouragement from the Lord through the Word and through the community around her. **Pray** that many people will come to know Jesus in the city of Klaipeda as a result of the witness of the students and staff of Lithuania Christian College.

Therefore, they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word. Acts 8:4

Friday [14]: Tim & Denice Kuhns

Brazil

As Tim & Denice serve at the Pan American Christian Academy, **pray** that they will have many meaningful opportunities to connect with and disciple students. **Pray** also that they will be able to build relationships with people in the community where they live and that they'll have opportunities to shine the light of Jesus in their neighborhood. **Pray** that there will be strong mutual support between this couple and the other MBMSI missionaries at PACA, Ken & Marilyn Fast and Jason & Andrea Edwards. **Praise** the Lord for His work in the Brazil MB Conference, and **pray** that the leadership will continue to walk in faithful obedience.

So when they had dined, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, Do you love me more than these? He said to him, Yes, Lord; you know that I love you. Jesus said to him, Feed my lambs. John 21:15

Saturday [15]: Celebrate Mission Night

South Dakota and Saskatchewan

This weekend, Randy Friesen (General Director) along with Craig Jost (Regional Mobilizer, Midwest USA), will be hosting several MBMS International Celebrate Missions Night events in South Dakota while Ray Harms-Wiebe (Global Program) and Lloyd & Carol Letkeman (Regional Mobilizers, Central Canada) host a CMN event in Saskatoon, SK. **Pray** that the Lord will use these events to call people to greater involvement in global mission through going, praying and giving. **Ask** the Lord to prompt many people to attend this event. **Pray** that worshipping together will lead to deeper unity among MB churches in these regions as they respond to the call to engage together in global mission.

May all who seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee; may those who love thy salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord!" Psalm 40:16

November 16-22

Sunday [16]: Andy & Carmen Owen

Thailand

Andy & Carmen are part of Team 2000 in Chonburi, Thailand, and provide significant pastoral support to The Life Center church plant. **Pray** that the Lord will give them wisdom as they train Thai leaders and that God will grow the missionary vision of Thai believers. **Pray** that the church will be strong in faith and will be bold in calling people to a relationship with Jesus Christ, and that there will be an abundant spiritual harvest in the region of Chonburi. **Pray** that Team 2000 will be marked by unity and clarity of vision, and **pray** for the TREK team who will be serving in Chonburi from November through May.

And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding. Jeremiah 3:15

Monday [17]: Stacy Kuhns

Mexico

Praise the Lord for His faithfulness in raising up a team to mobilize Stacy for ministry in Guadalajara. As she works alongside the Matthew Team, studies Spanish, and lives with one of the families from the RETO church plant, **pray** that God will give her grace, understanding and vision. **Pray** that the Lord will use this season of learning at the Matthew Training Center to equip her for life and ministry in new ways. **Pray** that her adjustment to a new culture will be smooth and healthy.

What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him. I Corinthians 2:9

Tuesday [18]: Berlin MB Church

Germany

Andrew & Olga Pritzkau have just welcomed a TREK team to join their ministry in Berlin until June 2009. **Pray** that the Lord will give the Pritzkau energy and wisdom to enable this team to minister in effective ways. **Pray** that the Berlin MB Church will flourish and see many lives transformed by the Gospel, and **pray** that it will become a missionary sending church. **Pray** that the Lord will enable Andrew & Olga to balance church ministry with the ministry of parenthood, and that their children will embrace relationship with Jesus.

Tend the flock of God, that is your charge, not by constraint but willingly, not for shameful gain but eagerly, not as domineering over those in your charge but being examples to the flock. I Peter 5:2-3

Wednesday [19]: Erica Ray

Mexico

Erica Ray is a newly commissioned missionary to Mexico who recently completed MBMSI's Missionary Training Institute. As she continues to build a network of support, **pray** that the Lord will give her quick favor with people and that many

will capture the vision that she has for ministry in Mexico. **Pray** that the Lord will raise up intercessors on her behalf and on behalf of Mexican people. **Pray** for a sharp mind and an open heart as she learns language and culture. **Pray** that the Lord will use her upcoming season of learning at the Matthew Training Center to equip her for life and ministry in new ways.

Pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. Ephesians 6:18

Thursday [20]: Lead Team

Abbotsford

As the Lead Team meets today, **pray** that God will speak clearly as they engage in discernment and decision-making. **Pray** for each Lead Team member by name—Randy Friesen, General Director; Ray Harms-Wiebe, Global Program; Paul Dyck, Member Care; Selwyn Uittenbosch, Finance & Administration; JP Hayashida, Operations, IT & Communications. **Praise** God for the team He has assembled, and for the heart each of these men have to see lives transformed by the power of the Gospel. **Pray** for continued unity on this team.

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:23-25

Friday [21]: Urban Mission

Fresno

This weekend, Mark Thompson, Galen Wiest and Kathy Moser from MBMSI's office in Fresno, will be hosting an Urban Mission event. As participants gather together to proclaim God's Kingdom in Fresno, **pray** that God will use this time to impact the people they meet and also to impact each of their lives. **Pray** that this event will spark a commitment in each participant to greater involvement in ministry in their local churches, in their communities, and around the world. **Pray** that God will use participants this weekend to lead people to Himself, and **pray** for the staff and volunteers who are making this event possible.

...that men may declare in Zion the name of the Lord, and in Jerusalem His praise, when peoples gather together, and kingdoms, to worship the Lord. Psalm 102:21-22

Saturday [22]: Kevin & Wendy

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Kevin & Wendy have recently committed to serving alongside Samir & Lewiza in strategic media ministry to North Africans. **Praise** God that many people have had the chance for the first time to hear the gospel of Jesus through the satellite TV programs that this team is producing, and **pray** that God will bless the team with creativity as they continue to seek captivating and effective ideas for new programs. **Pray** for Kevin's involvement in follow-up ministry and in the development of an online Bible school for North African believers. **Pray** that the Lord will continue to grant health and joy to this family as they engage in ministry.

For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants, for Jesus' sake. For it is God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness."

II Corinthians 4:5-6a

November 23-30

Sunday [23]: Jose & Esperanza Prada

Peru

As Jose & Esperanza engage in pastoral ministry and church planting, **pray** that they will be filled with joy, energy and creativity. **Pray** that their partnership with fellow missionaries Otto & Lidia Funk will remain strong, and that the Lord will provide an appropriate facility in which their church can meet. **Pray** that the Lord will continue to give them creative vision for ministry in Lima and that many people will come to know Jesus as a result of their ministry. **Pray** that the Lord will meet every need and that He will continue to grow this church in unity and love.

I will sing of thy might; I will sing aloud of thy steadfast love in the morning. For thou hast been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress. O my Strength, I will sing praises to thee, for thou, O God, art my fortress, the God who shows me steadfast love.

Psalm 59:16-17

Monday [24]: Operations Team

Abbotsford

Pray for JP Hayashida as he provides leadership to the Operations Team in MBMSI's Abbotsford office. The Operations Team provides logistical support to all aspects of MBMSI ministry. **Pray** that this team will find joy in their service, as they perform tasks that are behind the scenes. **Praise** God for building a team of people who are committed to using their gifts and abilities to further the Kingdom of God.

The effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust for ever. My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places. Isaiah 32:17-18

Tuesday [25]: Ernie & Elfrieda Reimer

Lithuania

Pray for Ernie & Elfrieda as they provide support to MBMSI ministries in Lithuania from their home in Canada. As they face the challenge of ministry from a distance, **pray** that God will bless them with wisdom and creativity. **Pray** that the Lord will continue to give them energy and joy as they serve, and that above all, God will be glorified through their work. **Praise** God that He has prepared and equipped them for this ministry, and **pray** that He will continue to give them strategic vision for the advancement of God's Kingdom in Lithuania.

The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. Isaiah 11:2

Wednesday [26]: Ron & Betty Russell

Worldwide

Ron and Betty's ministry with MBMSI is to travel to various ministry sites providing member care for missionaries who are on the field. They minister through fellowship, counseling and prayer. **Praise** God for the passion he has given Ron and Betty for the care of missionaries. **Praise** God for their willingness to give freely of their time to bless and encourage missionaries around the globe. **Pray** for Ron, Betty & the MBMSI Lead Team as they discern where and when visits are most needed.

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2

Thursday [27]: Masolo Mununga

Angola

Pray for Masolo as he serves the MB Church in Angola. As Masolo and the MBMSI team pour into the lives of others and discern how to serve most effectively, **pray** for wisdom. **Pray** that God will use the MB Church of Angola as agents of transformation, bringing grace and love to their communities. **Pray** that the Lord will continue to empower Masolo so that he can minister out of fullness and great joy. Angolans have experienced much fighting and warfare in their recent history. **Pray** that God will use Masolo as an agent of peace and healing.

The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity. And the harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. James 3:17-18

Friday [28]: Jen Schmidt

Mexico

As Jen spends several months on Mobilization In North America (MINA), **pray** that she will have many opportunities to engage with family, friends and supporters and to tell stories of how God is at work in Guadalajara. **Praise** God for the connections she has made in serving youth in the RETO church plant, and **pray** that God will enable her to maintain those relationships even from a distance during these few months. **Pray** that she will continue to be equipped for the privilege of discipling youth and young adults and that the Matthew Team will be characterized by unity and clarity of vision.

Then He said to his disciples, "The harvest is plenty, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest".

Matthew 9:37-38

Saturday [29]: John & Geri Warkentin

Worldwide

Pray for John, who works as media resource missionary with MBMSI, and his wife Geri. They have a passion to share stories of God's transformational work around the globe through video. **Pray** that churches and individuals will be impacted and challenged to further involvement in mission through their work. This ministry requires a high degree of creativity and discernment, as well as expertise. **Praise** God for the gifts that He has given John and for his obedience in using them to bring glory to God.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2

Sunday [30]: Einer & Girlesa Zuluaga

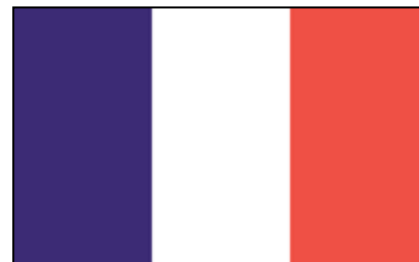
Panama

Einer & Girlesa are working among the indigenous Wounaan people who live mostly in the jungle. **Pray** that God will bless them as they evangelize and disciple this people group, and **praise** God for His work among the Wounaan. **Pray** that God will raise up godly leaders from within this people group to provide leadership within the church and also in the community. **Pray** that God will give them a multitude of opportunities to mentor young believers and that he will raise up a new generation of spiritual leaders in Panama.

Restore to me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners will return to thee. Psalm 51:12-13

Prayer for the Nations

FRANCE



France is a highly developed nation, with stability and growth enabling a high standard of living. But the state of the evangelical church is not as healthy as some other aspects of French life. To most French people, the evangelical message

is still seen as an alien ideology rather than a faith worth pursuing. Because of its geographical location and the abundance of people from different nations that settle in France, this nation can be a strategic launching point for ministry to a wide variety of nations, particularly North Africa.

Please pray:

- That MBMSI leadership will be able to discern the Lord's will for continued involvement in France.
- That the nearly 50 million French people who have no link with a Christian church will encounter Jesus and seek out a community of believers.
- That the French evangelical church will continue to send out missionaries.
- That Russ & Marj Speiser, MBMSI/Proclaim! missionaries, will continue to have many opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus in France and beyond through worship, media and the arts.

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