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THAILAND

The Rubias arrived in Thailand in August. Pray for them today as they begin full-time language study in Chiang Rai. Pray for their adjustment to Thailand, their exploration into ministry, and their adaptation to the Shan team.

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BULGARIA

Gisli & Nora Jonsson

This month our counseling trainees who have finished a certificate will start their next level: diploma studies. They are already seeing and working with clients. Pray that they will bless many clients with what they are learning.

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EAST ASIA

The SEND WE Mission Study Group will gather in the evening today. Pray that the Holy Spirit will teach and inspire us through the reading materials, our fellowship, and our times of prayer together.

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PHILIPPINES

Thank you for praying for our mobilization trip to a remote province last month. God sustained the team through missions training sessions and the commissioning of two appointees. Pray for growing relationships with the sending church and community in order to launch more workers for the harvest.

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GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRIES *Keener Family*

Praise God that Taiwan's borders are finally open to us! Pray that the visa process will go smoothly as we may have to re-apply and redo much of the paperwork. Pray for God's wisdom, guidance, and good health for our family as we transition back to Asia.

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UKRAINE

Praise God that our Director of Corporate Security and two others were able to travel safely into Kyiv to work on documentation and collect some belongings. Thankfully, none of our workers' apartments sustained damage. Pray that our leaders will know when it is wise for others to move back to Kyiv.

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UKRAINE

Pray for peace and the cessation of bloodshed in Ukraine. Pray for strength and protection for our Ukrainian brothers and sisters. Ask God to give them eyes to see opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus and to communicate the gospel.

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RUSSIA

Pray for our missionaries who have chosen to remain in Russia and who are seeing new ministry opportunities open up through the crisis. Pray for wisdom, for protection from anti-west sentiment, for their financial needs to be met in spite of the sanctions, and for fruitful ministry.

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DIASPORA NORTH AMERICA

Al Massira (The Journey in Arabic) is a video series that points to Jesus through a study of the OT prophets. As we bring this series into the homes of our interested Muslim friends, pray that they will be challenged with the truth and seek to follow Jesus as Lord and Savior.

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THAILAND

Pray for Elizabeth Katz, a short-termer who just finished TESOL training in Chiang Mai. During her one year in Maha Sarakham, she will help with the 180° Student Center campus ministry and teach English. Pray for her as she sets up her visa, work permit, a place to live, and studies Thai language.

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SEND NORTH

Only the gospel can bring genuine healing, so pray for healing and reconciliation within the villages of the North. Ask the Lord to use the SEND workers in the North to represent Christ well and model reconciliation with others.

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JAPAN

Zabeth Lacanaria

Iwate -- Thank God for almost daily contact with a community leader, some elderly women at exercise, and Hisako San, a local store owner. Pray that these friends will read the gospel literature I give them and open their hearts to Christ as I testify of his care, love, and presence.

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TEAM HOPE

Pray for our ongoing studies in the Mapa area. Pray specifically for Addah and Munirah, who recently were introduced to the story of the Messiah and the testimony of local believers. May villagers continue to hunger for more of God's Word and gather to study.

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GLOBAL

Pray for SEND children and teens who return to school this month, whether that be public, private or homeschool. Pray that they will rely on Christ in their studies and find him to be their sustaining grace. Pray God's grace for university-age MKs who are far from home and family.

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EAST ASIA

Pray for the River "Thaimes" online sharing session today led by the East Asia sending office. The A&C family will share what they have experienced in their global ministry. Pray for more believers to hear and respond to God's call to Thailand.

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SEND NORTH

Pray that the Lord will provide meat for the winter for those workers in the North who are hunting moose this month. Ask God to provide opportunities to share the gospel and disciple fellow hunters while out looking for moose.

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TEAM HOPE

It is not uncommon for mothers to take jobs overseas to help support the family, so elementary age children in our tutorial classes are often left to themselves while their father works. Pray that they will come to God in prayer when they are lonely, and trust the Lord to take care of their mothers.

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EURASIA

Pray that our SEND leaders, and particularly our Eurasia leaders, will have wisdom and sensitivity to God's Spirit as they seek to navigate the difficult waters of crisis. May they be sensitive to the Holy Spirit as they seek to discern and meet the needs of each member affected and displaced.

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CROATIA**Brian & Debby Stout**

Pray for our family as we return to Zadar, Croatia, today to continue the work at Zadar Baptist Church with Pastor Ivan. Pray for a good transition for our family, especially as we will be leaving two of our children behind in the USA for higher education.

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GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRIES**V&MG**

Praise God that V is now teaching university students in person. Pray that he will be able to establish good relationships with them. Ask for God's leading and wisdom on how to bridge the gospel as we prepare to re-launch English Club in the fall semester.

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EURASIA

Pray for Eurasia Regional Director, Dave Brubacher, and his wife, Martina, as they have relocated their family to Germany for their boys to attend Black Forest Academy (instead of Kyiv Christian Academy). Ask God for wisdom, vision, peace, and joy for Dave as he provides leadership to the Eurasia region.

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THAILAND

Pray for David & Laurel Gray and Angelica Tennant, short-termers who have just completed an intensive TESOL training and exploratory trip in Thailand. They believe God wants them back in Thailand full-time, so pray for God's direction and a support team this next year. We'd like them studying Thai in 2023.

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DIASPORA NORTH AMERICA

Doors have opened up for a Japanese-speaking SEND family who have ministered in the Pacific Northwest to move to Texas where Japanese companies have moved large automotive plants. There are exciting new possibilities for ministry. Pray for the N family in transition to a completely new area, schools, and fellowships.

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BULGARIA**Gisli & Nora Jonsson**

Pray for the Lord to be glorified and known in the counseling process with our clients, whether they know the Lord well or do not know him at all. Pray that we will follow the Holy Spirit's guidance and that we will counsel well.

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TEAM HOPE

We still have some scholarships available for local university students. We are particularly praying for more male applicants whom we can mentor into young leaders through our program. Pray that God will bring just the right students to us as face-to-face classes resume in late September.

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EAST ASIA

Several East Asia office staff and board members have had health issues recently. Pray God's protection and healing touch over each of them, making this an opportunity to testify to his grace and goodness.

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THAILAND / PHILIPPINES

Pray for the Salisburys as they process their full-time visas and settle into back into the Philippines while also traveling and planning trips. Pray for Larry as he serves as interim Thailand director and for Doug and Lynn Harder, Thailand directors, on a sabbatical leave.

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JAPAN**Jeff & Tamara Hershberger**

Tokyo -- Praise the Lord for the people of TMK, the church at the SEND Center in Japan, where our family is serving until November. Pray that the Lord will use his Word in the various ministries to build up and gather in his followers.

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USA

Pray for the US sending office as they relocate this month to a new office complex, not far from the original setting. God has opened the doors to a well-equipped office, a church across the street for larger gatherings, and a landlord who is delighted to have a mission office in his building.

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EURASIA

Pray for our SEND missionaries in Ukraine who have had to relocate and are grieving many losses. They have landed in different places around the world, but most of them are uncertain of their future. Pray that they will trust God, turn their anxieties over to him, and know his peace. Ask God for his direction for each of them.