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UKRAINE

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Pray for our international student ministry in Ukraine as we enter the Easter season and have many opportunities to share with those from other countries who have never heard the story of Jesus' death and resurrection.

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CANADA

We praise God for our recent staff advance meeting where we reviewed the past year together and looked forward! Ask the Lord to guide us as we adapt our structure and collaborate with like-minded organizations to faithfully fulfill our part in the advance of his Kingdom!

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SEND NORTH

In Alaska and Northwest Canada, pandemic safety restrictions for the size of group gatherings are determined locally, which means guidelines vary from village to village. Pray for restrictions to ease to allow gatherings on Easter weekend for church services and celebrations planned by SEND North workers.

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EUROPE

Philip & Lynn Jackson

Pray for our workers in Europe to be encouraged and grow in their prayer lives through the seminar, *A Praying Life*, that will be held virtually three times this month: April 8-9, 14-15, and 26-27.

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THAILAND

Praise the Lord that Doug & Lynn Harder and Jon & Elaine Winter are back in Thailand and out of quarantine. Pray for both couples as they settle back into ministry after a year of being away. Pray for others not yet able to return.

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TESOL

Philippines & Thailand — We began our first online TESOL course (Part 1) March 15 with 14 students. Pray for perseverance and great learning during the eight-week course, and for those who will continue with Part 2 (another eight weeks) to qualify for certification to teach English.

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GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRIES

Jonathan & Jodi Thar

Taiwan — Praise the Lord for P who trusted in Christ in the midst of challenges. Pray for our university student outreach with both those who are new this semester and others who have come for some time. May the message of Easter impact their lives!

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CROATIA

Kurt & Christine Bekins

Pray for those listening to the radio broadcast: *Hoću Radost* (Give me Joy) every Sunday morning in the Bjelovar area. This 10-minute program discusses what God's Word says about important and relevant issues in today's world. Pray that this gospel seed will fall on good soil.

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DIASPORA | NORTH AMERICA

Team Lancaster — Pray for a growing circle of volunteers to serve alongside our team as we engage refugee families. We expect several hundred new families to soon be resettled to our region, many of them from the Middle East, and we want to welcome them well in Jesus' name.

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MUSLIM SE ASIA

Today is the beginning of Ramadan, a month of fasting, prayer, and reflection observed by Muslims worldwide. Pray for our team as we engage our Muslim neighbors and contacts during this time as they tend to be more spiritually open and seeking.

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SLOVENIA

Ptuj Team

We are seeking the Lord for how to wisely meet while under COVID restrictions with our language groups, kids club, teen group, and Bible study. We are encouraged to see our Bible study grow and need wisdom to split in half to preserve the small group atmosphere and allow for more growth.

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MUSLIM MIDDLE EAST

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Ask the Lord to speak to Muslims through dreams and visions during the month of Ramadan. Pray that there will be Jesus followers in their lives who will share his love and the Word of God with them.

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JAPAN

Dave & Eileen Barkman

Sendai — Every Wednesday afternoon we alternate between a Cherry Ladies English Class and a Discovery Bible Study for neighbors in our home. Several have become Jesus-followers. Pray for them to grow in their faith and for others (and their husbands) to also come to know Jesus.

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EAST ASIA

Pray for the five-week training course, *Understanding Islam*, that we will offer in Hong Kong starting April 20. Ask the Lord to bring the right people to join and to use this course to draw participants to SEND's Muslim ministries around the world.

15**THAILAND**

Pray for wise use of the two strategic ministry centers. Pray for sensitivity and wisdom for the Korat center workers as they choose activities after many closures this year. Pray for discernment for the workers at the Mahasarakham center as they influence students' words and actions.

16**SPAIN**

Praise God for the results of the *Misión Posible* virtual conference last month! Hundreds participated online and there have been more than 2,000 individual YouTube views for each day's session. Continue to pray for each participant and for the youth leaders and local churches who do the follow-up.

17**DIASPORA | NORTH AMERICA**

Team Minneapolis — The pandemic, social unrest and riots, and the growing sense of isolation have given many unreached peoples here an interest in relationships with outsiders. Pray for more workers to join us to build gospel relationships with these people.

18**MUSLIM SE ASIA**

Continue to pray for our Food Always In The Home (F.A.I.T.H.) *Garden in a Box* program as we begin training this month. Pray that the participants will not only learn about new growing techniques but that seeds of Truth in their hearts will fall on fertile soil and grow.

19**GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRIES***Carol Vuong*

Taiwan – Our team of seven is preparing to hold a monthly night market evangelism event in Gongguan and an after-school program. Pray for flexible attitudes as we cope with changes and challenges. Pray for God's provision and for God to continue to work among the Hakka people.

20**BULGARIA***Gisli & Nora Jonnson*

Pray that Roma Christians, Ivan and Radko, and their families will have influence to inspire the whole Roma community. Ask God to give them ideas for how to impact children who are not going to school and how to reach the parents who are addicts.

21**ROMANIA***Nathan & Brittany Garrett*

Pray for our beginning steps to start an NGO. We've got a lot to learn! Pray as we look for an apartment to rent for the NGO, create a name, and get a Romanian friend to join us. Pray also as we encourage Romanians as they seek ways to support their families.

22**CROATIA***Brian & Debby Stout*

Pray for the salvation of our Croatian language teacher, Aida, our landlord, Rade, a Croatian tutor, Marko, and Tino, a college student. Pray for the ongoing work in Petrinja and Sisak areas that were affected by the earthquakes earlier this year.

23**THAILAND**

Pray for Pol Suyu as he completes his last module in first year, level one, Thai language this month and does a final evaluation near the end of April. He will then transfer to his first assignment in Korat.

24**RUSSIA**

The team in Buryatia is planning a trip to a remote area further north to connect with Buryat and Evenki people. Ask God to give his guidance and leadership to the team. Pray for documents, an open border, and God's grace and timing so Inka B. can return to her ministry in Buryatia.

25**JAPAN***Sue Yau*

Tokyo — Thank God for providing a great Japanese teacher who can help me learn the spiritual language that we use in church. Pray for my Japanese learning, my health, and my relationships with my non-Christian Japanese friends, Miss A, Miss Y, and Mrs. S.

26**CENTRAL ASIA**

Ask the Lord to give the E Family his patience and perseverance as they wait to return to Central Asia to work alongside the K Family and GP.

27**SPAIN**

In the area of Uribe Kosta, Spain, we have recently launched English conversation groups. Pray for protection for each participant, and that God will direct our conversations. Pray for new contacts and new believers in 2021.

28**SEND NORTH**

As the ice melts, this is breakup time where SEND North families live and work. The hope for warmer weather also brings danger as winter trails between villages cross frozen rivers and lakes, and an error in judgment can be fatal. Pray for safety for SEND North families during breakup.

29**USA**

Pray for the US Office as we are in the "Due Diligence" phase of the signed purchase agreement for the SEND campus. US and International staff are packing, digitizing records, and sorting files—on top of their daily work. Pray for strength and for wisdom as we manage relocation.

30**NORTH MACEDONIA***A & NS*

Today is Orthodox Good Friday in North Macedonia. Pray that our team will take every opportunity on this day to speak of Christ's sacrifice for the sins of mankind, and that the Lord will reveal to people their need for the Savior.