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GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRY *Gary & Mabel Meade*

Gongguan — Gary had brain tumor surgery on October 21, followed by radiation and oral chemotherapy. He will be on full strength chemotherapy after the radiation is completed. Each week brings new physical challenges and alarms. Ask the Lord to touch and heal him and provide for our needs.

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EAST ASIA SENDING

Praise God for the two units who have passed their final interview with the East Asia Sending Council in Hong Kong. Pray that they can raise enough financial support from local churches to have a smooth transition into their next ministry phase.

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NORTH AMERICA DIASPORA

Detroit — Our Detroit team will be hosting a computer programming camp for immigrant kids January 2 to 4. Pray for God to work in the lives of these kids. Pray that through events like this we can deeply impact whole families for the Kingdom.

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SPAIN

Gerald & Emöke Haupt

Guadalajara — Pray for the leadership transition process in the Guadalajara church. Pablo was elected as elder in February and commissioned in November. Pray for the development and growth of his leadership. Ask the Lord to provide work for Pablo; he is self-employed and has not had work for several months.

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SEND NORTH

The first Friday morning of each month, SEND North workers take time to pray for each other's concerns and needs. Thank God for the technology that allows us to connect; not long ago it would have been impossible. Pray with us today for endurance, vision, and wisdom for all in SEND North.

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USA

Michelle Atwell

Our communication and media department has a number of projects on the horizon — from our 75th anniversary celebration to videos about Thailand, Japan, and other ministries. Pray for continued inspiration, creativity, and teamwork as we generate exciting communications pieces to introduce SEND to churches, donors, and prospective candidates.

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GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRY

SEND Asia — We praise God for the launching of the Global Chinese Ministry Area this month. Please pray for wisdom as the leadership team serves during this new ministry season.

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SEND NORTH

The New Year often brings resolutions to make a better life, but many in Northern villages have lost hope. SEND North workers have friends who are considering suicide. Pray for wisdom, words of hope, and the ability to show the compassion of Jesus to those in despair.

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THAILAND

Praise God for a powerful outreach to over 1,000 drug addicts from an unreached people group. A group of teen-age believers from this minority community shared the gospel in word and deed. Many in bondage heard the Good News of Christ's forgiveness and freedom. Pray that they will accept his offer!

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GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRY

Pray for the Global Chinese director as her responsibilities increase this year. As she transfers from her ministry country to her home country for home service, pray that she will have wisdom to set boundaries between different needs and objectives that demand her limited energy and time.

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ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS EVE

While the West is packing away their Christmas décor, this is Christmas Eve in the Orthodox world. Pray for SEND workers to have open doors to their neighbors to share the deep meaning of why "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

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NORTH AMERICA DIASPORA

Pray for INN (International Neighborhood Network) Lancaster, PA, as we serve and extend friendship to immigrant and refugee families. All remain committed to their traditional faith but are open to talk about our hope in Christ. Thank God with us for the three local churches committed to partner with the INN ministry.

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UKRAINE & RUSSIA

Today is Christmas in the Orthodox world. Pray that in all the Christmas services and events, the gospel will be clearly presented, and that those who might not come to church regularly will come, listen, understand, and believe.

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SEND GLOBAL

Barry Rempel

January 13-27 I am teaching an intensive module on missional church leadership at Asian Theological Seminary in Manila, Philippines. Pray with us that God will use this course to motivate and equip future pastors and ministry leaders to engage in global missions.

15**UKRAINE**

Eurasia Hub — Pray that Alfie and Julie Mossé will be able to finish interviewing all the SEND Eurasia workers by the end of January. The results of the interviews will help the Eurasia Hub workgroup restructure the region to more effectively support and equip SEND Eurasia workers.

*Carl Kresge***16****CROATIA**

Pray for our weekly Thursday night Bible study in an outlying village. We continue to meet with two believers and are trusting God to bring another believer. Pray with us for wisdom in starting a second Bible study for those closer to the city, mostly unbelievers.

*Kurt & Christine Bekins***17****INTERNATIONAL**

Ask the Lord to give wisdom and discernment to the Regional TCK Educational Consultants: Holly Rist, Sharon Wicker, and women in two security-sensitive parts of the world who assist SEND workers with children's education needs. As SEND expands into new areas, there are unique challenges for parents in schooling options for their children.

*Judy Severns***18****UKRAINE**

Today SEND Ukraine will gather for their Day of Prayer. Pray for a good time together united in prayer and for encouragement. Many other SEND areas also gather this month for an annual day of prayer. This is a rich time to pray for the mission worldwide.

19**GLOBAL CHINESE MINISTRY**

Praise the Lord that a family secured their work visa just before they flew out for a short home service. This extends their ministry for another year! Ask for a smooth transition into home service and adjustment to having three children as they welcome a daughter in late January.

20**SPAIN**

El Ensache de Vallecas, Madrid — Pray for grace as we continue to give testimony in the lives of people. Pray for gospel conversations that stir hearts to seek God's salvation in Christ alone.

*John & April McDuffee***21****JAPAN**

This is my first winter in Japan. Pray for my spiritual and physical health. I am grateful that Japanese language learning is going well. Pray that I will not worry about the situation in Hong Kong, my home, but allow the Holy Spirit to remind me to trust the Lord.

*Karen Lee***22****PHILIPPINES**

Pray for our Filipino workers on home service to have their support fully supplied in time to return to their ministries in early 2020. Pray also for God's supply for those who work in the home office handling mobilization, training, and support for those deployed.

23**MUSLIM SE ASIA**

Continue to pray for the transfer of leadership for this team that ministers in a restricted-access area among Muslim people. Several on the team have had serious health issues this past month, increasing the work load of the new leader and the whole team. Pray for deliverance from spiritual attack.

24**NORTH AMERICA DIASPORA**

Minneapolis — This month we are launching a new ministry in the Twin Cities, reaching out to an unreached people group settling there. Pray for M as he begins building relationships and exploring the city.

25**EAST ASIA SENDING**

Pray for the first interview of a long-term applicant today with the Sending Council in Hong Kong. Pray for a smooth process and clear guidance from the Lord. Ask the Lord to continue to guide new potential applicants to join SEND despite the very challenging circumstances in Hong Kong.

26**MACEDONIA**

Skopje — Pray for Macedonia as we enter a new year with new goals for 2025. Ask the Lord to use our team to make disciples and build his church in Macedonia for his glory!

*Brian & Debby Stout***27****UKRAINE**

Kyiv — Pray for Dave as he teaches Theology and Spiritual Life at Kyiv Theological Seminary. A number of SEND's Ukraine workers are involved in theological education that is mobilizing a new generation of pastors and international workers.

*Dave & Sharon Benzel***28****PHILIPPINES**

Pray for the orientation and integration of Tess Yee, the new board member for Philippine Sending Council. Pray for James Aberin as he trains her so that she can adjust to the work and function well as a board member.

29**UKRAINE**

Odessa — Pray for Alfie as he, from a distance, supports and helps a new Greek instructor at Odessa Theological Seminary plan his spring Greek courses. Pray for Julie as she continues to encourage and help a new Christian English school partnering with Odessa churches to reach unbelievers.

*Alfie & Julie Mossé***30/31****INTERNATIONAL**

A number of SEND ministry areas are in the far north: Alaska, Yukon, Northern Europe, Russia, and more. This time of year it is very dark, which brings depression and personal pain. Ask the Lord to give SEND's workers insight to reach out to those who do not know the Lord.