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AUGUST 2019

RUSSIA

- 1 CAMPING** — The **Ulan-Ude team** is at Lake Baikal for an English club camping trip. The **Tambov team** has an evangelistic youth camp at Transformation Christian Center. Pray that leaders, counselors, and staff will have an effective ministry. Pray that many will hear, understand, and accept the Good News of Jesus.

MACEDONIA

Andy & Nadine Spradley

Word of Hope church plants are holding a three-day retreat. Pray for spiritual encouragement as well as deepening unity among the four small congregations.

UKRAINE

Dave & Sharon Benzel

Pray for SEND Ukraine's area conference. Ask the Lord for traveling mercies, wisdom for coordinator Steven Collier, and encouragement and a fresh challenge to grow in the Lord for all who attend.

JAPAN

Tina Lin

Sendai — Praise the Lord for the Takahashis' baptism in April. Pray as I am assisting Pastor Ueno to begin house churches in the Shichigahama area. Ask God to give us his strategy to reach Japanese in this area.

CROATIA

Steve & Jenny Meeker, Johann Go

Pray for a multi-national English camp this week where we want 13-15 year-olds to discover more about God's creation, society, and themselves through games, sports, outdoor education, cultural theme days, Bible study, and more.

SEND NORTH

Pray for SEND North's annual conference, August 6-9, in Anchorage. Workers gather from remote villages to hear what God is doing and determine what he wants for them in the future. Pray for safety in travel, for unity in the Spirit, and for God to be glorified.

JAPAN

Denise Rasicci

Saitama — Pray for my former English student, Chika, attending the Okutama Bible Chalet Jr. Hi camp. Pray that she will make new friends and will meet her best friend, Jesus. Pray that Chihiro and Misato will get into the elementary camp, as they are on the waiting list.

USA

Michelle Atwell

Continue to pray for the sale of the US office property: A first buyer fell through but may still be interested. Three other prospects are talking with the real estate broker. Pray for strength for the staff as they wait for God's hand and direction in this lengthy process.

UKRAINE

SEND Ukraine area director, Dave Benzel, has a heavy teaching and preaching schedule this month. Pray as he preaches at Spiritual Rebirth Church twice this month and also teaches at Ukrainian Baptist Theological Seminary.

CROATIA

- 10 CROATIA** — Pray for the Crew. Crew is a discipleship program that runs throughout the summer for 15-17 year-old students to grow in practical servanthood as they maintain the campground and serve the campers. Each day includes discussion, reflection, and bonding with the rest of the Crew.

THAILAND

Khorat church planting launch — Pray for more open doors, connections, and an excellent potential "couple of peace" named Phileas & Su. Pray for follow-up, wisdom, and discernment. Pray also for continued discipline in language study for the SEND workers involved.

ROMANIA

Nathan & Brittany Garrett

Rastu Nou — Pray that the kids who come to VBS will hear about the love of Jesus and will return to church. Pray for parents to hear the gospel from their kids and return with them. Pray that our local leaders will be encouraged by the visiting team leading VBS.

EAST ASIA

Pray for the financial needs of the East Asia sending council in Hong Kong. Pray that we'll have wisdom and opportunities to clearly convey our vision and goals to the local churches of Hong Kong so that the Lord will supply all our financial needs.

Macedonia

Sherri Ens

Skopje — Pray for new people to come through the doors of our community center through ongoing summer outreaches. We have an English club for young people three times a week and a weekly workshop on Chinese medicine. Pray for our short-term interns as they host these events.

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TAIWAN
Gary & Mabel Meade

Gongguan — Ryan is a newly-employed worker from MuYi Church who helps with the Hakka outreach and small group discipleship in Gongguan. Pray that God will mold him to be a suitable shepherd in Gongguan. Pray for the salvation of his mom suffering with cancer as he cares for her.

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DIASPORA NORTH AMERICA

Seattle — Praise God for the Japanese woman who came to Christ a few days before she passed away. Pray for other elderly Japanese to surrender to Christ. Pray that their hearts will be receptive as never before in these final years of life.

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CROATIA
Kurt & Christine Bekins

As we move into a new ministry location, pray that we will thrive, get set up for fall, and meet lots of people. Pray also for follow-up from English Camp and wisdom in a request to help in a kindergarten.

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CENTRAL ASIA

GP returns to Central Asia today. Pray that she will experience the Lord's comfort as she says goodbye to family and friends in the Philippines and begins to re-acclimate to her home and ministry.

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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE/TCK EDUCATION
Judy Severns

Pray for wisdom, discernment, and quality conversations as I meet with parents about their children's education during pre-field training. Families face huge transitions as they prepare to move to their assignments in new countries, so a sense of confidence and peace regarding their children's schooling is important.

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PHILIPPINES

Pray for the mobilization team that coaches and trains potential Filipino missionaries for long-term service with SEND. Right now, one is exploring an East Asian people group; a second, an Asian restricted-access country; another is praying for Muslim ministry; and one more is seeking to go to a restricted-access European country.

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EAST ASIA

Pray for wisdom for a couple with many decisions before them, especially when to take their home service. They have some hefty responsibilities that make it difficult to be away, so they need wisdom to decide what is best for the school where they teach as well as for their family.

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MACEDONIA/RUSSIA

Pray for the Lord to lead and guide as the Macedonia team holds a Vision 2025 retreat to pray together about strategy for the next five years. Pray also for the Russia area council meeting on August 27 to discuss their area strategy and future planning.

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BULGARIA
Gisli & Nora Jonsson

Pray for the builder we have hired to complete the renovation work on our retreat center. There are very different building standards here and we would appreciate prayer for quality workmanship, and for wisdom to know how to deal with the builder when conflict arises.

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THAILAND

Praise the Lord for the newly launched Shan village mushroom project! Pray for the SEND worker leading the effort and for each of the families who will build huts in which to grow their crop. Pray that Kingdom relationships also will grow through this community development project.

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DIASPORA NORTH AMERICA

Detroit — Pray for the Back-to-School block party that we and a local church are putting on tonight in a Muslim community in Detroit. Ask the Lord to show Jesus clearly to all who attend.

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JAPAN
Darwin & Karen Stoesz

Tokyo — Thank God for Yuri and Yuko, two ladies from our neighborhood who are open to friendship. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide our conversations to things of God and for Karen to have boldness in sharing the love of Jesus in word and deed. Pray for their salvation.

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TAIWAN
Michael & Christine Ling

Taichung — Praise God that we are settling into Taiwan and have an apartment. Pray for all of our health and adjustment. Pray that in the midst of busyness and transitioning we will be able to keep drawing closer to God.

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THAILAND

Pray for the Books' involvement with the Khamsiri Community Center ministry to impoverished and marginalized children. Also, ask the Lord to bring new candidates and appointees who are in membership process to join the Thailand team for career church planting.

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EAST ASIA

Praise God for new applicants through the Hong Kong sending office. Pray for a smooth application process and that the Lord will give clear guidance to these potential candidates and our council members.

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PHILIPPINES

A couple who served short-term with a SEND partner in a restricted-access country in Asia want to return long-term. Pray for the necessary work needed to be done for this partnership to be long-term and an official SEND receiving area.