



Prayer and Praise – October 05, 2022

Global Missions' Board: The Global Missions' board will be meeting next Tuesday and Wednesday, October 11 - 12. Please pray for safe travel for the board members and for the guidance and direction of the Lord over these two days of meetings.

Note: *Due to our Global Mission's board meeting next week there will not be a Prayer and Praise sent out.*

Cuba: During the two years of the pandemic caused by the Corona virus the country of Cuba has suffered greatly. Cuba is facing one of the most severe economic crises of its history. Right now, there is a serious lack of basic food items and other essential items, which our Open Bible people need so desperately. The people of the Open Bible Global Missions are preparing a 40-ton container with many basic food items, cleaning supplies, and other essential items to be shipped to Cuba to help our Open Bible family there. If you desire to help, go the link:

Liberia: Missionaries Drew and Jessica shared the following updates of past prayer requests:

Dorcas:

"We thank God that Dorcas's foot is doing better. She refused to keep the bandages on after a few days due to a tribal belief that the wound won't heal if you keep the heat in. We are concerned with the many flies that are attracted to the wound. Unfortunately, Dorcas was beaten by her husband for working and not giving him any money from her pay. She has two black eyes and belt marks across her upper chest. The incident went to the police, but they said both were in the wrong since he had a cut on his eye. The tribal council says he has the right to beat Dorcas. The husband says if she continues to work for the learning center, he will bring her and beat her on the campus in front of our teachers and students. Dorcas was very upset. I, Drew, had the opportunity to pray for her, and for now she is not working with us. Please pray for the husband, for Dorcas, and for the community to be transformed into the image of Christ."

Matthew:

"Praise God that Matthew is doing better from his motorcycle accident. He is still experiencing headaches, and the hospital is saying that his blood volume is low. Matthew is recovering from typhoid and lost his sister in an accident this week. Please pray for Matthew's ongoing healing and comfort for his family."

Cambodia: Missionaries Ly and Sarin Mak had a meeting yesterday, October 4, with the teachers, principal, and school staff to prepare for the start of a new school year. They are very excited for the new ministry. At the same time, they are a little worried as well. However, they say their concerns draw them to pray more for God's intervention, that everything will go according to His will. They ask us to keep them in prayer and for God's intervention in all they do.

India: Missionary Linda Wilson shared: "Meet a young mother* (in the blue saree), her children, and her mother* (in the yellow saree). The young mother's husband has lost his job due to an injury to his feet, which has left the burden of taking care of such young children solely on her shoulders. She heard about our outreach through her neighbors and came to us to collect food for her family. Every person that we meet has a story of challenges and need. Partners like you enable us to reach out every week to more than 300 people with wheat flour, spices, or other essentials. Yes! We have increased our giving in responding to the outpouring of need. Thank you for your faithful financial giving."

**(names not mentioned for safety purposes)*

Uganda: Pastor Alex Owori shares that our Open Bible churches in Uganda, especially in the Bugiri district, are very grateful for the five recently built new permanent church structures. He said, "We have already officially dedicated them. The good news is people are getting saved in large numbers. We've been conducting baptisms and teaching them how to resist sin and trust God in all. Please pray for our national board members, that God will continue to guide and direct them."

Ukraine: Missionary Tammy Swailes began her travel back to Ukraine yesterday, October 4. The place where she is staying is more than 600 kilometers from the areas where war is currently going on. Pray for Tammy as she uses the new skills she has learned to help people recover and heal from the trauma they have suffered during this conflict. The recovery and rebuilding effort will take many years. We believe God has prepared Tammy for such a time as this.

"And now I entrust you to God and the message of his grace that is able to build you up and give you an inheritance with all those he has set apart for himself."

Acts 20:32 (NLT)

Please continue to support Ukraine with prayer and donations to continue helping all the families in shelters and for access to more places to shelter the families in need.

If you would like to give to Ukraine Relief Aid, go to: <https://www.openbible.org/mission/humanitarian-aid/sub-category?id=6c1bb85c-3cdd-40d4-b3d1-98222e3a031b>

If you would like to view Ukraine refugees video go to: <https://bit.ly/3SUGBPX>

Please share with your congregation or with other interested individuals. Thank you for praying and caring.