



OPEN BIBLE CHURCHES
GLOBAL MISSIONS

Prayer and Praise – August 5, 2026

Isaiah 60:22 (NIV)

*"The least of you will become a thousand, the smallest a mighty nation.
I am the Lord; in its time I will do this swiftly."*

United States: Please pray for the people of Spokane, Washington, as they continue to recover from a devastating wildfire. Missionaries Justus and Michaela Morgan shared that the fire has destroyed more than 600 structures, and it is not yet 100% contained.



Praise God that, although Justus's parents, sister, and in-laws were forced to evacuate, they are all safe. Despite multiple homes burning in his parents' neighborhood—including the house directly across the street and several homes behind it—their home was spared by God's grace.

Please also pray for the many families who have lost their homes, including several of the Morgans' close friends. In addition, please lift up Open Bible Pastor Kelly Armstrong, whose church, Real Life Riverside, was destroyed in the fire. Pray for God's comfort, protection, and provision for all those affected, and for wisdom, safety and strength for first responders as they continue working to contain the fire.



Argentina: Please pray for the family and congregation of Pastor Luis Provenzano, longtime lead pastor of the Open Bible Church in Chacabuco, Argentina, who passed away on August 4, 2026, at the age of 82.

Pastor Luis was a faithful servant of God who also helped establish some of the first INSTE groups in Argentina during the early 1990s. May the Lord comfort his family, strengthen his church, and continue the legacy of faith and discipleship he faithfully invested in for so many years.

Trinidad & Tobago: Please pray for Missionaries Brent and Sara Kelderman as they depart Trinidad & Tobago today, Wednesday, August 5, and travel to Omaha, Nebraska, where they are scheduled to arrive just after midnight on Thursday morning. Throughout the month of August, they will be itinerating and ministering in churches across the Mountain Plains Region. Please pray for safe travels, good health, and that God will lead, guide, and anoint them as they share about the work He is doing in Trinidad & Tobago.

Des Moines, Iowa: Please continue to pray for the family of Jordan Lumbard, son of Missionaries Mike and Pam Lumbard of Dayton, Ohio, who went home to be with the Lord on July 28, 2026, at the age of 42, at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center in Columbus, Ohio.



Jordan was a devoted servant of the Lord who faithfully served God with all his heart. Please pray for God's comfort, peace, and strength for his wife, Lindsey, and their four daughters during this difficult time.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Monday, August 10, at 1:00 p.m., with visitation from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at First Church of the Open Bible, 2200 Beaver Ave., Des Moines, IA 50310.

*The 2026 Global Harvest Offering, titled “**Build Hope for Africa**,” invites us to join in a powerful revival sweeping across the continent. Through this initiative, we will collaborate with our missionaries and national directors to fund thirteen new church building projects in thirteen different countries. God is working through dedicated missionaries and local leaders to multiply churches, develop leaders, and bring the life-changing hope found only in Jesus to communities in need.*

Our goal is clear: raise \$200,000 to fully support all thirteen projects.

Your generous support does more than construct buildings—it builds hope, strengthens communities, and advances the Kingdom of God.

*We deeply appreciate your partnership in this mission to bring hope to Africa. If you would like to take part in this incredible opportunity today and transform lives, please visit OpenBible.org/Africa2026 to donate online or by mailing a check payable to Open Bible Churches and write “**Hope for Africa**” in the memo line to our address below.*



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