



# Pray ReachGlobal

## Prayer requests from the field

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*"...you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."(Jeremiah 29:12-13 NIV)*

Dear Prayer Partners, as you come to the Lord in prayer, please remember:

## REACHGLOBAL MINISTRIES

### EFCA TouchGlobal

#### Crisis Response

- The assessment team in Japan meeting with those already responding with relief efforts. We have relationships with the EFC of Japan and will do what we can to help the three fellowships in the area respond to the crisis. We will be looking for local partners who we can come alongside to form long-term strategies to help them rebuild their communities. The TouchGlobal Crisis Response team's role is to engage in the business of helping local churches respond to the marathon task of rebuilding the lives of people and communities after the relief agencies depart. Ask God to make this a great opportunity to transform lives by the gospel. Pray for effective learning, networking and formulating a long-range response.

#### GlobalFingerprints

- Thank the Lord for the generosity of sponsors with GlobalFingerprints who are faithful to their commitment of supporting children in need in Congo and India. Pray for new sponsors for the children whose original sponsors cannot continue.
- The GlobalFingerprints team in Kolkata as they reach out to the children in the slums who have not heard about Jesus. Pray for individuals in the U.S. who will become advocates for GlobalFingerprints and represent the children in India to individuals and churches.

#### TouchGlobal Justice Initiatives

- The CHE (Community Health Education) training April 18-21, for local believers preparing to do health work and trafficking prevention work in some of the most

at-risk source villages in India.

- Praise the Lord for the Mukti center, a safe place for young women and girls who have been trafficked or are at high risk of being trafficked in Kolkata. Pray for the provision of needed supplies and finances. Ask God to give the staff clear insight and understanding as they develop relationships with the girls and wisdom in assessing their skills. Pray for curriculum development and for God's work in the hearts and lives of each of the five girls chosen to be part of this training.

### **EFCA CONNECT**

- The CONNECT personnel who are assisting churches around the country through *Developing a Missions Strategy that Fits Your Church* workshops. The six-hour seminar helps congregations and church leaders determine what God wants to accomplish in the world through their churches. Pray that God would make it possible for CONNECT personnel to facilitate these high-value workshops for at least 25 churches during 2011.
- The participants currently going through the online course, *Kingdom Expansion 101*. This is a six-week basic missions course to help churches and individuals make informed decisions related to local and global outreach.

### **EFCA EQUIP**

- The many participants involved in various online courses. Pray that the material and interaction of the courses will be helpful to them in their ministries.
- The EQUIP team, as each member is under-supported, that God would provide for them and direct them to those individuals and churches who will partner with them in prayer and finances.

### **ENGAGE**

- The ENGAGE Team, that the Lord will give them discernment and guidance as they make the decision of who to invite to the June Readiness Event (REV) from the group of applicants.

### **ENHANCE**

- The ENHANCE team as they encourage and equip the ReachGlobal family using two of the most helpful resource tools—the CernySmith Adjustment Inventory and the PREPARE/ENRICH material. Pray that these and other resources will be used for God's good purposes.

## **REACHGLOBAL DIVISIONS**

### **AFRICA**

- New church planting initiatives being launched in two major cities in the Democratic Republic of Congo and in the capital of Central African Republic. Pray that the Lord will raise up indigenous African church planting missionaries for these locations and the funds necessary to do the training.
- The development of new partnerships with young church planting movements in Uganda, Kenya and Togo. Pray for the leaders of these church movements and for the ReachGlobal leadership team as they seek to come alongside them to help train pastors, leaders and church planters for the ministry opportunities God is opening up in these countries.

- The ReachGlobal partners and personnel involved in holistic ministry across Africa. Ask God to provide opportunities throughout this year to establish what “team” will look like for TouchGlobal Africa.
- The seniors graduating from Haven of Peace Academy in Dar es Salaam, as they make important decisions about their futures. Pray that they will be grounded in Christ and integrate a biblical worldview into their paths.
- Training of equippers and pastors taking place on the Kenya coast with the national church movement. Several trainers from ReachGlobal and other groups are assisting with the trainings as the Tanzania Equip Team launches a three-year concerted effort for training leaders.
- ReachGlobal personnel who minister among the Fulani in the Central African Republic and in Cameroon. Ask God to help them recognize the open doors that He places before them for sharing Christ. Pray that family groups and clans would come to faith in Christ. Pray that the Gamboula Hospital would be a place where Christ is made known by the medical care that is given and by the witness of the doctors and nurses.
- The eight students from the EFC of Rwanda and four from the sister association of churches in Burundi who are engaged in formal training programs. Nine of the students are participating in a modular training program and three of the students are in full-time studies. Pray for continued development of each of these leaders and pastors as they study, minister in their churches, and care for their families.

## ASIA

- Direction and blessing on possibilities for theological teaching for nationals in a creative access area in China.
- The believers in the church in Mongolia will gain deeper understanding of their faith through daily Bible reading and prayer. Pray that they will come to know God better and be transformed in their thinking and behavior.
- The need for financial support for several families in a creative access area in China.
- Mr. and Mrs. Wong who have served as national pastors at Macao EFC Gospel Center since 2005. Pray for their physical and spiritual health, and for maintaining unity with the lay leaders as this church plant develops congregational government.
- Ms. Grace Tung, missionary candidate with the EFC of Hong Kong Missions, raising support to serve with ReachGlobal personnel, Bruce and Mary, at Merciful Love Family Fellowship. Pray that she will arrive before Bruce and Mary leave on home assignment in May so they can familiarize her with her ministry responsibilities.
- The Evangelical Free Church of the Philippines (EFCP), ReachGlobal’s ministry partners, as they prepare for the national conference May 12-14. The theme is *Working Together With God*.
- Bob, Jeanne, Vance and Carol, ReachGlobal personnel in the Philippines, as they organize and prepare for their home assignments following the EFCP national conference. Pray that they will rely on God to help them accomplish all that needs to be done before coming to the U.S.
- The need at the Evangelical Theological College of the Philippines (ETCP) for adults to volunteer to teach the children’s class during the chapel hour for the students. Pray that individuals who have a passion for working with children will help in this ministry to the children of students at ETCP.
- The interview process for the staff and students at Harvest Home in Thailand for the next school year. Praise God for the two construction teams He has provided and pray for their safety and health. Pray that the work on the buildings will be completed while the children are on summer break.

## EUROPE

- The Romania ReachGlobal staff retreat April 29-May 2, as they focus on prayer. Ask God to renew and refresh each one of them as they seek the Spirit's leading.
- The Madrid City team members as they prepare for their move to Spain. Ask God to open opportunities for Sam, Jill, Bill, Renee, and Katie to share their ministry in churches and with individuals as they build their support team. Pray that the paperwork for visas will be acceptable by each government agency they need to go through.
- The Innsbruck City Team offering a new after school program at the Lighthouse ministry center. Pray that the team will have wisdom to know how to generate interest so the youth will register to participate. Pray that the volunteers at the ministry center will stay motivated even though registrations are coming in slowly.
- The youth group leadership team at the Innsbruck church, that God will give them unity and oneness in Spirit as they deal with internal issues.
- ReachGlobal personnel in Germany who are planning and training short-term teams prepping for missions work this summer in Berlin. Ask for clear commitment, teachable hearts, and financial provision for these teams.
- Many of the Bulgarian Turks with medical needs, but no health insurance. Pray for Paul and Kathy, ReachGlobal personnel, as they work with them to find solutions. Pray for the developing house churches among the Bulgarian Turks.
- Praise the Lord for Kenny, ReachGlobal candidate, joining the Lodz City Team. Pray that God would direct and open doors for Kenny as he raises support and prayer partners.
- The development of a partnership in a music ministry between World Vision and Ed, ReachGlobal personnel in Bucharest. Ed is looking for ways to get his Christian musicians involved in both fund-raising and also influencing children with God-glorifying music.
- Dave, ReachGlobal personnel in Bucharest, as he meets with many young Romanian Christians with a heart for missions. Pray for God's wisdom for David in guiding them in the next steps serving the Lord as missionaries.
- The people of Turkey will desire to pursue truth, with no thought of cost involved. Ask the Lord to pour out His Spirit through the power of His Word upon them.
- The integration and incorporation of many denominations to minister together in Ukraine. Easter, for both Protestantism and Orthodoxy, falls on April 24. Pray that many will search for God during this religious time of year, and that God will make people's hearts receptive to His message.
- The Catalpa ministry center in Belgium as it pursues the possibility of using a city-owned Youth Center for its worship service. Pray for wisdom and insight as Joel and Dennise, ReachGlobal personnel in Belgium, work with those involved.
- A new ministry, *Serve the Church*, implemented by ReachGlobal's Belgian partner. The goal is to connect U.S. churches with needs in Brussels and also to encourage Belgian churches to help one another. Pray that God would bring this together for a multi-church/multi-ministry outreach this summer.
- The ReachGlobal personnel throughout Europe as they seek to make meaningful contacts and host outreaches during the Easter season. Ask God to bless these encounters and events to bring glory to Jesus Christ.
- Tom, ReachGlobal personnel in Bosnia, as he takes on new responsibilities as personal mentor and student advisor to 16 senior students at the university in Sarajevo.
- The individuals who are part of a vision trip to the Czech Republic April 15-22. Pray for wisdom for one couple, accepted as ReachGlobal missionaries, as they seek to confirm God's calling to serve with the Prague City Team. Ask God to

give clarity to another couple visiting multiple city teams in Europe, seeking the Lord's guidance for ministry.

- The continued growth of the Toulouse City Team's Project 1 ministry (organic, multi-ethnic urban church planting). Pray for the group of 25 who came to the worship/message fellowship that they will find answers to their spiritual questions. Ask God to generate interest among those coming to the film discussion nights who like interacting with the international team of gospel workers. Pray for the rapidly expanding network of pre-believing Toulousians, that they will soon respond to the gospel message.
- Steve and Chris, ReachGlobal candidates for France, who are in the support team building process to join the Lyon City Team. Pray for the Lord to provide in an abundant and speedy way.
- The ICCL (International Christian Community of Lyon) pastoral candidate and his family who are in the application process to come to the church. Pray for God's continued leading as the exploratory visit brought confirmation to the candidate, the church and the Lyon City Team members that there was a potential fit.
- The need for building permits to finish the guest rooms in the upper level of the church in Craiova, Romania. Ask God to make this a reality for them this summer so they can hold training conferences at less expense.
- The evangelical seminary in Banská Bystrica, Slovakia waiting for government approval on accreditation for Master's level degrees. Pray that this will come through so they can offer new courses in the fall. This affects enrollment and viability of this important ministry and Todd's ministry involvement as he teaches at the seminary.
- The students at Hinkson Christian Academy in Russia. Pray for physical safety, good health and that they will grow to become godly men and women with their identity firmly planted in Christ. Ask God to give the staff wisdom and encouragement, growth in their faith and continued financial support. Pray for qualified, dedicated Christians to fill the positions for first and fourth grade, high school Math and Science, middle school Science and Math, a librarian, and school nurse for the 2011-2012 school year.

## **LATIN AMERICA**

- Clyde, ReachGlobal personnel in Latin America, who was in Santo Domingo helping with the church planting school and mission conference for ReachGlobal's Dominican partners. Pray that those who participated will implement what they learned in their ministries. Ask God for His guidance and wisdom concerning the possibility of Clyde making a trip to a creative access area in Latin America to investigate partnering possibilities.
- Clyde and Rebecca, ReachGlobal personnel, preparing a short-term team to serve in the Dominican Republic in July. Ask God to guide them as they organize and plan the logistics so the team will have effective ministry.
- Roberto and Robin, ReachGlobal personnel in Honduras, as they look to God for His leading in the type of projects and partners to develop for the ministry in the church plant in Tegucigalpa.
- The members of La Iglesia Esperanza Viva (Living Hope Church) who helped the people of Chinchá, Peru affected by the earthquake two years ago. Jim and Kay, ReachGlobal personnel in Peru, and a team from the church who set up a medical clinic and also a spiritual clinic where each patient had the opportunity to hear about the grace of God. Pray that through this ministry many will come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- The students currently enrolled in six courses offered by the Latin America Training Network (LATN). Pray that the students will be disciplined with their time to study and give needed attention to family and ministry as leaders. Ask God to

give wisdom and guidance to LATN leaders as they sign critical institutional partnerships this year with Peruvian, Mexican, and Nicaraguan schools and a Costa Rican church.

- LATN's first graduation to be held on April 30. Because LATN is totally virtual, the graduation will also be virtual with the main ceremony in Costa Rica and three of the six graduates in Venezuela. Pray that the technology will work (electricity and local bandwidth are always issues) and that the graduates will feel honored, the church will be strengthened, and God will be glorified.
- ReachGlobal Latin America partner church in Sumpango, Guatemala. God has blessed this church with leaders who have led this congregation to be mission-minded. These committed disciples have reached out to their city and eight surrounding villages with the gospel using compassion ministries: portable water, nutrition, and sanitation. Pray for Latin church pastors and leaders who are key to a healthy, disciple-making and missions sending movement of churches in Latin America.
- Joshua and Naomi, ReachGlobal personnel transitioning from Spain to Mexico. Pray for them as they seek to develop a committed team of missionaries and Mexican nationals to develop a biblical, gospel-centered church planting movement in Mexico City. Ask God to help them multiply their efforts and help Mexican believers to have the broadest and most far-reaching gospel impact possible. Also pray, that God will provide the needed financial and prayer support for their ministry in Mexico City.

#### MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA (MENA)

- The ReachGlobal international leader and the area leaders. Pray that God would protect them and their families. Ask God to give them knowledge and insight in discerning His leading in reaching the lost for Christ in the MENA region.
- The unstable and changing situation in the countries of MENA and for the opportunities for the gospel. Pray that the people would realize what will truly satisfy their hearts' desires is Jesus and nothing else.



A friend of one of our ReachGlobal personnel in the MENA region has led a movement that has seen more than a hundred people come into the Kingdom. There are now fourth generation house churches forming. God is moving in amazing ways. Please pray for the protection of these believers in the face of persecution and that they will stand firm and steadfast as followers of Jesus Christ.

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**NOTE:** The next issue of *Pray ReachGlobal* will be **May 17**. You can continue to pray for ReachGlobal missionary prayer requests by viewing the ReachGlobal Prayer blog updated daily at <http://reachglobalprayer.blogspot.com/>.

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