

ServeCanada - Military Chaplains, Church Plants & Pastors & Missionaries

Pray for our National Missionaries:
-François Bergeron in Quebec
-Dan Byrne in Ottawa
-Devanee Cardinal in BC
-Ashleigh & Jonathan Decllet in Quebec
-Jay & Kathy in Quebec
-Steve Sharpe across Canada
- Chris Yu in Toronto

Pray for our Church Plants and Pastors

-**All the Nations**, Wembley, AB: Dwight & Sherry Munn

-**Iranian Church of Newmarket**, Newmarket, ON: Siavosh

-**Just Church** - Scarborough, ON
- Tim Quek

-**Sonflower Community Church**, Surrey, BC: David & Joanna Hong

-**Tokyo Multicultural Church**, Tokyo, Japan: Dale & Ann Little; Jon & Laura Prins

-**Wayside Crossing**, Osoyoos, BC: Dan & Sharon Williams

Pray for our Military Chaplains:
-Peter Han in Esquimalt, BC
-Shiya Janzen in Regina, SK
-Chris Willis in Esquimalt, BC

**Marvin Penner
APD Superintendent**

Praise God many of our churches have been filling up with children again. **Pray** that our pastors and church boards have wisdom. We are also encouraged to see churches loving their pastors. A number of congregations are in the process of planning Sabbatical for their pastors. As many of you know, the Church building in Coronation AB burned down last April. **Pray** for them as they navigate the challenges of continuing without a building and plan to build a new one in the spring. Also **pray** that God would call an innovative church planting pastor to work with us in the APD as well as the financial means to support mission in our area of responsibility.

**Jay & Kathy Pinney
Quebec**

We will be helping staff a weekend April retreat focused on helping people learn Biblical principles of forgiveness and reconciliation in Quebec. Please **pray** the attendees. Please **pray** for us as we coach and help train church planters and their spouses in Quebec.

**Bud & Mandy Jackson
Zimbabwe**

We would deeply appreciate prayer for our daughter Erin who, with her eight year-old daughter, has had to move in with us recently. Please **pray** for the Kwayedza Network in Zimbabwe, as one of the pastor members of the network has come under the influence of a cultic leader from Nigeria. The present leader of the Network, Dr. Jephath Chifamba, needs Godly wisdom and discernment as he deals with the situation.

**Dwight Johnson
Stewardship Catalyst**

Spring and summer are always the “lean” months in donations. **Pray** that God will motivate people’s hearts to remember the EFCC as well as the building fund. **Pray** for personal contacts being made, that people’s hearts will be responsive and generous.

K&L

Creative Access Country
Pray for the situation in Ukraine. God is using our Canadian missionaries and Ukrainian pastors to share the Gospel with many who have never heard the Gospel before. Pray for protection and wisdom for them One of our CAC couples continue to wait in Canada for a knee surgery before returning to the field. Pray for a successful operation to occur soon. **Pray** for those churches struggling without Pastors or other forms of leadership.

Week 5 (April 28-30)

**Larry & Diane Willems
Thailand**

Pray for evangelistic outreaches with the church leaders in Maewang district to see hearts turn to the Lord. **Pray** to see fruit in some villages in Phrao district where we encourage believers and visit non-christians.

**Francois Bergeron
Quebec**

Thanks praying for me as I am touring with a new Chalk-Story/ Parable entitled: Rooted like a tree. This story is built to reachout to non christian families, schools and also being used by churches across the country. please **pray** with me that those that have ears to hear might open up the Gospel message!

**Shiya Janzen
Chaplain, SK**

Praise God for the opportunity to live in a beautiful space and engage with God's creation regularly; for a great school for the kids; for the chance to reconnect with my home church. **Pray** for ongoing health struggles; for learning the spiritual discipline of rest within the busyness of life; for wisdom about undertaking various projects.

UPCOMING

Join us in praying over the upcoming events in the EFCC family!

March 29 - April 1
Easter Weekend
Home Office Closed

April 6
EFCC Leadership Training (Winnipeg) (Module 2)

April 13
EFCC Leadership Training(Smithers) (Module 1)

May 20
Victoria Day
Home Office Closed

June 12-13
Pastor's Orientation
Home Office

June 13 - 15
EFCC Conference
Surrey, BC



Prayer Guide

April 2024



DISCIPLES OF THE WAY

Thomas said, “We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?” Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!” John 14:5-6

“The Jesus way wedded to the Jesus truth brings about the Jesus life. Jesus as truth gets far more attention than Jesus as the way. Jesus as the way is the most evaded metaphor among the Christians with whom I have worked for fifty years.” – Eugene Peterson

“The greatest issue facing the world today...is whether those who are identified as ‘Christians’ will become disciples – students, apprentices, practitioners – of Jesus Christ.” – Dallas Willard

People of The Way was a common early church description for disciples. Prayer is one way we spend time with our master. It gives space for the Spirit to do transforming work. I hope as you spend time in the presence of the Lord this month, you grow deeper into The Way.

Neil Bassingthwaighte
ServeCanada Director



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Week 1 (April 1 - 6)

Steve Neufeld Cuba, Mexico

Praise for a successful Youth Weekend in Cuba within the Los Pinos Nuevos denomination with a good number stepping forward in commitment. **Pray** for the church planting team heading to La Isla to continue the work within this new group of believers. **Pray** for the economic crisis hitting Cuba right now and the even greater troubles building as the country runs out of many food items and the electrical system is on the brink of collapse. **Pray** that the church would be a strong beacon of hope during troubled times!

Greg & Shelli Neufeld Mexico

We officially had our last day at Arbol de Vida EFC. After 24 amazing years, we are moving as God moves us. **Pray** as we sell our house, pack, say goodbye, and transition to this "new" stage of life. **Pray** for our friends Helen and Mike (who came for the winter to help with the building of the Hacienda Los Arboles), who just recently had brain surgery for what they found out is a metastasized tumor. **Pray** as we connect with the missionaries on the field, that we can be an encouragement to them.

Helen Blackburn Bolivia

Praise God for supporters and all of daily guidance from The Lord Himself. **Pray** as we rebuild relationships with national workers, the Boys, English students and the Kids at the Support Center. **Pray** for Helen and Heather as they lead, guide and make decisions. Please **pray** for little Vincentico! He has dingué. **Pray** also for wisdom for

Drs. Raul and Vanessa who are with Campus Crusade in Brazil.

Chris Willis Chaplain BC

Pray for Capt Christopher Willis, Irene, Brynn and Lauren as they prepare to be posted to Kingston, ON this summer where he will work with the Canadian Armed Forces Joint Signals Regiment. **Pray** for their home to sell and for God's strength for them all in the midst of the time of transition.

Terry Kaufman Leadership Catalyst

Praise for the response to our Leadership training, and our recent training in Toronto. Please **pray** for two weekend training sessions in April, in Winnipeg and in Smithers B.C., I also have the privilege of preaching in one of our Free Churches this month, so please **pray** that the Word speaks through me powerfully to God's people. Please also **pray** for wisdom as we seek to find more ways to help Church Boards to be healthy and growing.

Jerome & Maureen Harvey (MEMO)

Africa & Cuba

Pray that we will receive speedy approval from Governments for containers waiting to be shipped to Zimbabwe and Cuba. **Pray** that God will move in supporters' hearts to donate the money(\$30,000) to ship each container. **Pray** that this manifestation of Jesus love will lead many to faith in Him.

Bill Taylor EFCC Executive Director

Please **pray** for safe travel to Winnipeg and Smithers and for productive times of Leadership Training, ordination council, speaking in churches and meetings with leaders.

Week 2 (April 7-13)

Daryl & Molly Porter Europe

Please **pray** for the church in Krivoy Rog, the Bridge Church and Pastor Zhenya. **Pray** for effective ministry in the middle of the ongwiloing war in Ukraine. **Pray** that those who hear the gospel will respond.

Joy

Creative Access Country

Pray for my trip to Egypt in May and pray for my health and a safe trip. **Pray** for the situation in Egypt; it is really hard for the poor people.

Ashleigh & Jonathan Declet Quebec

Please continue to **pray** for our Youth Network initiative, called YOU(th) Church. This is an initiative to help shepherd youth in their faith walk with Jesus Christ while helping network churches together for the good of the body of Christ. Please also **pray** for the pregnancy resource centres, as they are both in the process of raising funds for their operations to help support the many women in need of their services here.

Adam & Luibov Nikkel Ukraine

Pray for our safety as Russia continues to shoot missiles at our city killing innocent people. **Pray** also for Daryl, Ken and I as we travel around visiting friends and pastors here in Ukraine. **Praise** that Daryl Porter and Ken are with us in Krivoy for a few weeks! **Praise** for a full church service on Sunday and for our youth group at church.

Wade & Adele Hammond Mexico

Praise that a number of projects are being accomplished at the Hacienda, **pray** we would finish them before summer. **Praise** that the English classes continue to draw new students both from within the church and

out. **Pray** For Pastor Noel and Dayami that they will have a clear vision from the Lord for the church in Hermosillo. **Pray** for Helen and Mike, Helen was diagnosed with a brain tumor which was removed in January. Please **pray** that the radiation will be successful.

Neil Bassingthwaight ServeCanada Director

Praise for great times of connection last month at LPD Conference, Global Connections Conference at Prairie College, and in Toronto at the Leadership Training event and Just Church plant launch. **Pray** for the EFCC Leadership Training events happening in Winnipeg (April 6) and Smithers (April 13). **Pray** for some of our ServeCanada missionaries who need new partners to join their support teams.

Stephen Wheeler Montreal, Canada

Please **pray** for the 3-day gathering of "The Journey" workers across the world and our participation in it. Please **pray** for our discernment, as we seek to align ourselves with God's heart and choose between the good and the best investments of our time.

Week 3 (April 14-20)

Kelvin Luong Central District Superintendent

Praise God for good turnouts for 2nd Leadership Training seminar. **Pray** participants will put their learning into practice and action. **Pray** that churches going through difficult times will find grace and courage to handle differences peacefully. **Pray** the Newmarket Iranian Church still needs an additional \$450 a month in order to relaunch.

Ike Agawin ServeBeyond Director

The cost of living and ministry costs worldwide have increased. **Pray** for the financial support of our missionaries and their ministry projects. **Pray** for the protection of our missionaries from spiritual attacks. **Pray** for new missionaries, especially for the Unreached People Groups.

Dan Carlaw CPD Superintendent

Congratulations to missionary Samuel and his bride Nikita who were married on March 16! Sam does youth ministry for and with Prince George EFC. **Pray** for God's blessings for Sam & Nikita as they begin their married lives. **Praise** that Dawson Community Chapel in YT is excited for the arrival of their new shepherd couple Matthew & Micah Stobbe! The Stobbe's hope to arrive in the Yukon this summer. **Pray** for housing for them and that the details of their move will come together well.

James & Kathleen Ngenda Liberia

Pray as we make several decisions regarding staff and oversight of our work in Liberia. Please **pray** for Gifty Dolo, who was to have had dental surgery, but has been delayed due to ongoing jaw infection. **Pray** also for her salvation. Please **pray** for wisdom as James considers the role of EFCC Regional co-ordinator for Africa. **Praise** God for our New Gate Church. Baysay and Esther held church meetings regularly while we were away. **Pray** for our children in Canada.

Trevor Brawdy Pacific District Superintendent

Praise God for providing pastors for a number of different positions in Prairie District churches! Please continue to **pray** for our churches that are currently in the pastoral search process. We ask for **prayer** for our NE

Calgary church plant project, and for the Lord's direction and provision for other plants in Saskatchewan and S. Alberta. **Pray** that our churches will be faithful and effective in making disciples. And please **pray** that in the PD be a light in the darkness.

Frank & Susan Janetti Zimbabwe

Praise for a successful trip to Zimbabwe. Not all was accomplished and not all was easy but we praise the Lord and trust we worked according to His will. We are home 21st March after leaving January.

Dale & Ann Little Japan

Praise God for the good visit to Tokyo Multicultural Church in February. **Pray** for Pastor Moto (Japanese ministries) and his family as they leave TMC and seek other ministries in April. **Pray** for the TMC children's ministry team and church leadership as they consider how to care for the growing number of children in their small one room worship facility. **Pray** that God will supply another pastoral single or couple for the English ministries department.

Week 4 (April 21-27)

Rob & Leslee Oudman Nicaragua

Pray that God would point us to a new location for our church building. **Pray** also that all the seniors who are a part of El Dulce Refugio will feel loved, appreciated, and will accept Jesus into their hearts. **Praise** for all who are taking advantage of teachings and training to become part of La Semilla Ministries. These are brave steps forward to commit to making responsible decisions for the future of their farms and their families. We plant a seed and pray it grows!