# GLOBAL PRAYER MATTERS

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# Matt & Debi Zook, (Mozambique, DPG Day 1)

Literacy classes are continuing here. Normally there are 15+ students each day here and 20+ at a second location. Pray for good learning for the students and joy for the teachers.

Matt's Bible classes are still going well, normally 12+ each day. Pray for students and teacher to grow in understanding and application of God's word. Debi is faithfully meeting with women each weekday afternoon and teaches some children Bible lessons each Saturday morning. Pray for good fruit. Translation work is marching on with various steps in progress on the books of Ezra, Nehemiah, Job, Psalms and more. Please pray for clear minds, good encouragement from the Word for those involved in the process and a quality end product.

## Byron & Lyn Johannesen, (Colombia, DPG Day 3)

From the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April we have a brother from Argentina visiting us for a week of special meeting, please pray for a fruitful time. Please continue to pray for Neiva. There are only 2 families out there, but they are very active in sharing the gospel with others. On our last 2 trips, we met with Andres and Milena, Sandra and her daughter Paola as well as Ana and also Camilo and Paola. I also made contact by phone with Juan who lives 2 hours from Neiva.

## Steve & Roslyn Baird, (Philippines, DPG Day 7)

We've been back home in our village for a week now and are getting settled. There has not been a very much rain in the last month, so our water supply is low, and we are needing to pump water from the creek for washing. We need to collect drinking water from a spring a few kilometres away so please pray that the rains will return so that our tanks will be full again. Also there were some baptisms while we were in Australia. This was initiated by the church leaders in our absence. They first taught a six week course on baptism to the whole church, then those who were trusting in Christ were invited to be baptised. In all there were 11 people.

## Jason & Karen Griffiths, (Australia, DPG Day 11)

Brodie needs his gallbladder removed, so please pray for him as he waits for surgery. Direction for Shannon and Lachlan as they come to the end of their courses. Shan plans to continue with her church ministry, increasing her responsibilities. Lachlan will be looking for work at the end of his degree. Karen is working on logistics for a big SIL meeting in Bangkok in July and possibly another in August.

# Andrew & Catherine Walkington, (QLD, DPG Day 16)

The first few weeks of April we enjoyed our usual outreaches on campus. We had varied combinations of staff at each one, but also some great volunteers. I will be teaching evangelism at our church in the next month and have just spent time refining and expanding the material. The Worldview camp is also on the horizon and there is a massive amount of work to do in the next couple of months. There is still a need for more leaders and we would also appreciate anything you can do to share with others about the camp. oac.org.au/worldview/

# Ben & Alice Warren, (France, DPG Day 17)

We are getting ready to finish at language school and move to begin our work with a French house church east of Paris. Ben needs to do an extra language course so that he can reach a level of French where he can communicate comfortably with people. Unfortunately this is very expensive and we are praying for extra finances to make this possible. Reaching a high level of French is essential to us continuing to build relationships with people here, as well as to just be able to do normal life.

## Daniel & Candide Weekes, (France, DPG Day 17)

We're running our first ever camp for families with atypical children (it's for families who have at least one child who has been diagnosed with autism or down syndrome or has developmental delays). While this is a very small camp, it has been really great for the families (parents and children, both typical and atypical) who are attending. May and June is when we have lots of people coming to camp to help us on various building/renovating projects. Pray that this will be a great experience for all involved and that we would get lots done (and remain safe, as there will be lots of things happening).

# Robyn & Stefanie Tommy, (PNG, DPG Day 20)

We're all at different stages of nasty colds that have given us persistent coughs. Poor little Calista tested positive for malaria last week. She seems to be getting a bit better with antibiotics, but I've run out of children's Panadol now and she's not very happy with the half Panadol tablet crushed in jam that I'm using to try to keep her fevers down. Pray we'll all be feeling better in the next few days.

# Christina Eglinton, (Specialist, DPG Day 23)

Pray for a planned Youth Conference in Kenya planned for June. The theme is "Back to Basics" as we seek to point the youth to Christ & to help them understand their purpose for being here. Pray for the speakers as they prepare their sessions & for many to attend. Pray that the trustees issues can be sorted out during my upcoming visit, as our files are still currently missing. Pray for a breakthrough. Pray that Chris' plantar heel pain on her right heel would heal up by then, as it is currently hard to walk.

# John & Remy Tan, (Specialist, DPG Day 26)

Please pray for: Good balance in managing roles and responsibilities; Janelle's search for a part-time job; Timorese to access the audio Bible; Solution for aviation fuel shortage in PNG; Success of AMT's <u>Mission4LL</u> events. Praise for Janelle's enthusiasm in her uni course; Church growth in Timor-Leste; SILA equipping cross-cultural workers.

# David & Stacie, (Restricted Access, DPG Day 28)

There are many issues for our schools and the staff as the government seeks to take strict control. All the Covenant Schools are still functioning, though new laws and regulations which include a ban on teaching anything 'western' (including the Christian faith) have created severe staff shortages, along with enforced military conscription and other requirements for national teachers. We are hoping foreign teachers will come forward to serve in the gaps. It is much easier for expatriate teachers, and life for them in Yangon seems quite safe and stable these days.

# Nara, (Restricted Access, DPG Day 30)

Praise the Lord for putting me in touch with 2 new groups in the AMT network and having the opportunity to share there. I ask that God would open and bless my time here in Australia, for opportunities to share and help find the necessary partners He has already appointed for His purposes and plan, to support me in the ministry. Please pray, my first disciple abroad is currently facing a challenging spiritual environment and struggles to find fellowship due to the intense crackdown situation in that country. Intercede her faith will continue to be strengthened and the Lord will provide.

## AMT MISSION4LL

Please pray for these meetings that will take place around the country, starting in Launceston this coming Friday. We are praying for a renewed interest in missions, that many people will be challenged and encouraged by the international speakers as well as our AMT missionaries who will be represented there. Please encourage your young people to come on the Friday night gathering. Please pray for God's heart for mission to be embraced. Thank you to all our faithful prayer warriors around the country.

## Friday night meetings commence at 6pm with coffee and mingling with our missionaries. Saturday meetings commence at 1pm. Dinner will be provided on Saturday night.

Mission4LL meetings: ALL WELCOME

TAS: Punchbowl Christian Centre, Launceston 26-28 April 2024.

NSW: Friday 3rd May 6pm West Pennant Hills Community Church, 41-43 Eaton Road

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May 1pm Grace Point Community Church 34-36 Chifley Street, Smithfield

QLD: Mueller Community Church 75 Morris Road Rothwell 10-12 May 2024.

WA: Duncraig Christian Community Church 41 Beddi Road Duncraig 17-19 May 2024.

VIC: Edge Community Church 186-188 Blackburn Road Doncaster East 24-26 May 2024.

SA: City Reach Marion 288 Sturt Road, Marion 31st May - 2nd June

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