

May/June 2015

# FROM THE FIELD

DECLARE

DEMONSTRATE

DISPLAY

UBC'S DIRECT SUPPORT  
MISSIONARIES,  
MINISTRIES AND  
MISSIONAL  
OPPORTUNITIES

“And you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

## “Pray without ceasing ...”

### MISSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

#### SUMMER MISSIONS

June 28 - July 10, a team of seven is heading to Uganda to partner alongside Clark and Joyce Lasse, two of UBC's Direct Support missionaries, with Restoration Gateway. This team will be meeting physical and spiritual needs to the orphans who are served through this ministry. Later this summer, July 18-24, we will be engaging Boulder with the Gospel, through our Family Mission Trip. This team will help lead a VBS alongside East Boulder Baptist.

#### E. ASIA - HANDS ON

We are excited about sending out two of our own college students, Chad McCone and Logan McCullough to serve for six months through the IMB's Hands-On Program in E. Asia. These guys will be serving alongside our partners in teaching English to children and university students, as well as using American football as an avenue to Gospel sharing. We pray this will be a catalyst towards future work in this part of the world for UBC.

#### INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MINISTRY

We have a great opportunity to engage the nations that God has brought to our campus. There are over 1500 students on the UA Campus representing 120 different countries. There are various opportunities to have Gospel impact on some of the most least reached places around the world, right here in our own city. Be an iFriend, host students in your home for a meal or even consider being a part of a conversation club on campus. How God is calling you to be a part?



Summer Missions



E. Asia - Hands On



International Student Ministry

Reaching  
&  
Teaching  
the nations, both  
near and far

# Praises & Requests

## JONATHAN VERHOEVEN

### PRAISES:

- Concilium received it's 501(c)(3) status.
- Concilium continues to grow in influence.
- Marissa is a graduate assistant at the UofA.

### REQUESTS:

- The Lord will continue to guide Marissa and I through the first year of marriage.
- The Lord will allow Concillium to find other mission agency partners.
- The Lord will bring Concilium additional donors.

## TREY RICHARDSON

### REQUESTS:

- Praise God for saving these students! Pray these students get plugged into a healthy local church. Pray that their professions of faith would be legitimate and that they would bear much fruit. As always pray for wisdom and discernment as we and other church members seek to pour into their lives. Pray that our meetings with these students would be fruitful this summer.
- Pray we will be able to keep these Bible studies going in various dorms, fraternities, and sororities on campus. Pray the Lord would open more doors to the gospel in other areas of campus as well.
- Finally, Continue to pray for our 5 students who will be attending the 8-week Summer Project in Sandusky, Ohio.

## ANDREW BRILL

### PRAISES:

- It's the end of a school year. Lots of students love the Word more, are more tied into their churches, see Jesus as having more ownership of their lives than they realized. Praise the Lord.

### REQUESTS:

- We're talking a lot about recruiting students and raising funds for our Oklahoma State launch (both of which fall into the category of "prayer requests"). That said, I want our staff to be lovers of Jesus more than their lovers of Lightbearers. I want our staff focused more on Him than on numbers. We need to be good stewards of what we have, which necessitates recruiting, but I just don't want our focus to get off.

## CHRIS & LAURA MUDD

### REQUESTS:

- Pray for Laura as she will be traveling to Northern India for 8 days to visit on of our teams. Pray for safety, grace, and wisdom in encouraging the team and the leaders out there.
- Pray for Chris as he is home with the kids for a week. It takes special grace to be a single dad.
- Pray a new thing we are doing with some of the Muslim ladies called Family Learning. It's to teach English with moms and their children together but also to teach them how to play and interact together. Pray it will open doors for good conversations.
- Pray for Nepal and the people affected by the earthquake
- Pray for Turkey, as it is guessed there will be 2.5 million refugees in that nation by the end of this year.



### Jerusalem Partners:

- Andy Grove – *ISI BCM*
- Compassion House
- Debbie Raybon – *ISI*
- Jonathan V.
- Kevin Smith – *ISCA*
- Loving Choices
- Second Mile Ministries
- Shirley Lasse
- Vicky Foti - *ISI*

### Judea Partners:

- Trey Richardson - *Cardinal Christian Fellowship*
- Brian Key

### Samaria Partners:

- Jose Segura - *Iglesia Bautista Shalom*
- Floriano Ramos
- Travis & Beth Burkhalter - *IMB; Colombia*
- Ellen Burns - *IMB Journeyman to Mexico*

### End of the Earth

- AJ Pillai - *India Inland Missions*
- Andrew & Ashley Brill - *Lightbearers*
- Chris & Laura Mudd - *YWAM, England*
- David & Julie Yngsdal - *IMB; South Africa*
- Larry & Jan Murphy - *IMB; Portugal*
- Hans & Stacy
- Joshua & Kayla - *Deserts of Africa*
- Kevin & Michelle McCollum - *Lightbearers*
- Kumar & Dileeni Abraham - *SIM*
- Clark & Joyce Lasse - *Restoration Gateway, Uganda*
- Stu & Hilary Lynch - *OM*
- The Kuvi/DK

## Praises & Requests (cont.)

### HANS & STACY HUTCHINS

#### PRAISES:

- Our family just got our residency cards renewed!
- Many people are disillusioned by the news and are turning away from what they have believed and are looking for answers elsewhere.
- Everyday the local pastors here are having interesting conversations and new people are coming to our Father.
- Personal growth in new and older followers and a spirit of unity and family to descend on the local fellowship.

#### REQUESTS:

- Pray for boldness for those who face family persecution.
- Pray the darkness would be exposed and pushed back.
- Pray for pastor "Allan" is having some pressing personal issues that need prayer.
- Pray for help for the many refugees on all fronts.
- Pray for Hans' time to be multiplied as he is working to finish the grammar sketch this spring and start on translation this summer.
- Pray for the Jesus Film as it goes out to a minority language that the Word will not return void, and for the safety of those distributing them.
- Pray for one lady I have met several times. She is a "Sister" to me. Please pray that she and her husband would have a child and that our Father would get the glory.
- We heard about one "brother" whose father said to him, "I smell J. on you." This was not a complement, more of a threat. Pray for him and his family.
- Hans' camera just started showing an error message. He uses this camera in

his sessions with the K. men to record what gets written on the white board so that his time could be used to take in more information each session. Pray that it will start working again or we will be able to find a suitable alternative.

### KUMAR & DILEENI ABRAHAM

#### PRAISES:

- The fruit in the counseling ministry and good partnership with the Colombo Theological Seminary.
- That we can rejoice in Christ in the midst of challenges.
- The regular walks in nearby parks have increased our energy levels and reduced weight!

#### REQUESTS:

- Pray for the formation of a committee to organize for the visit of the Arkansas team.
- Pray as I travel to our hill country capitol, Kandy to meet Church leaders to promote the Counseling ministry. For good connections
- Pray for political stability in our land. For steps taken forward after the January election will be maintained.
- Pray for Niro and Kelvin to be emotionally and mentally strong for marriage amidst studies and ministry.

### DAVID & JULIE YNGSDAL

#### PRAISES:

- We praise the Lord for the great crowd of Zulu Baptists from all over our province (state) that gathered here near Empangeni (at the church plant in Mhlathuze Village) to worship for three days during Easter weekend.

- We are so excited that, as a family, we will be reunited this coming month Lord willing! A special Mother's day gift for Julie as Mariah and Wesley fly back together to visit us on May 10th. They plan to be here all summer break. Additionally, we are thrilled to also welcome Mariah's boyfriend, Will, here on African soil for a three week to visit. Pray that these kids will stay healthy as they travel and have an enjoyable and memorable experience.

#### REQUESTS:

- Please pray for wisdom and guidance as we consider a "help/needs" project for outreach into the community near Manandi – that this would help, and not hinder, the work of the Lord there.
- We ask that you continue to pray for great wisdom and guidance for Corey as he will be making a final decision this month on which university God wants him to attend this coming fall.

## Praises & Requests (cont.)

### JOSHUA & KAYLA

#### PRAISES:

- Our time in the USA was wonderful! We loved every minute with family, friends, and connecting with you, our prayer network!
- We enjoyed the day of prayer set aside recently, and we have seen the Lord begin to answer some of the requests we laid before Him. Continue to remember the requests as we wait for complete answers.
- Jack was born December 28th, weighing 8 lbs. 13 oz. and measuring 20.25 inches long. He is healthy and growing! At his fourth month check-up and measured 16 lbs. 6 oz. and measured 25 inches long!
- Aaron continues to grow into a sweet boy. He is learning many stories and verses from the Word, and he loves to practice hospitality. We thank the Father for the love he has for others.
- The Father blessed our time with big families in Texas and Arkansas! We were able to share about the B people multiple times and challenge brothers and sisters to partner with us in reaching the B people with the Good News.
- We had the joy of welcoming one precious cousin into the world this month, and look forward to two more deliveries of sweet cousins shortly after we return to the Deserts.
- We spoke with Honey recently and she is doing better!

#### REQUESTS:

- Our return to the Deserts
- Ask the Lord to provide the perfect place to call home in a neighborhood of peace.
- We received word that Deera recently married and moved. This seemed like a

sudden marriage, and we are not sure if it is a healthy situation. Pray that we can find her upon our return and visit her in her new home.

- Pray for efficiency as we unpack and settle into the Deserts.
- Pray those whom our team had contact before we left the country. Ask that we would be granted sweet relationships with all these contacts upon our return, even the friends of our teammates.
- Several big families we visited are praying about visiting us this year. Remember them as they seek the Lord's timing and prepare for their trip.
- When we re-enter, we will immediately begin the process of renewing our visas. Pray that this process will go smoothly and be done with integrity.
- We are re-evaluating several things that deal with our business. Pray for wisdom and clear direction.

### STU & HILARY LYNCH

#### REQUESTS:

- Please pray for our health—several of us have gotten the flu over the past couple of weeks, and coughs and sniffles are lingering.
- Please continue to pray for the 13-week online leadership course for LifeHope leaders that Hilary and I are developing. Pray that leaders would make the time to log into the course and interact with the content and with each other. Pray for an Interpersonal Skills Workshop we'll be leading on April 22 as part of the course. Pray that we can press on with developing high-quality content for the month of May.
- Please pray for Hilary as she continues to edit the content and discussion questions for her EPIC Bible Study app. She's almost finished with the Old Testament! Please pray for our app

developer to press on to update the app to the latest version of iOS, and to get a working version out to test in early summer!

- Please continue to pray for conversations we're having about investing more deeply in church planting in this strategic part of England. Pray for our work with the CP project in a M~lim neighborhood in Birmingham, relationships within the 2020 Birmingham CP network, and other promising partnerships in the area.
- Please pray for an accreditation review at OM Lifehope. We have to update course documentation on a number of courses by the end of April.
- Please keep praying for our kids: Pray that our kids will all finish well this school term (including intensive exams that will partly determine what schools Amiel and Aiden can enter in the fall). God has opened the door for a great summer job for Kyriana. PTL!
- Please pray for the Community Ministry Team we're mentoring to finish the term well (Jennifer, Szonja, SuYeon, Jonathan, and Ronald). Pray that they can make good connections in the community and see fruit in ministry, and that we can help them grow and learn.

## Praises & Requests (cont.)

### AJ PILLAI

#### PRAISES:

- We praise God that Paul and Annie Pillai are embarking on their 51st year in marriage and ministry
- We praise God that On February 28th, at our 41st Commissioning, the Lord allowed us to send out an additional 293 new missionaries from 57 South Asian language groups after three years of training and equipping at Grace Bible college
- We praise God that on February 27th, we had the blessing of ordaining nine new pastors.
- We praise God for the new Senior Saints Ministry reaching out to the abandoned and forgotten elderly and widowed.

#### REQUESTS:

- Pray for the ongoing counseling of many of our children who have been rescued from Human trafficking and child labor camps. Pray that he will continue to give beauty for ashes. As mentioned in Isaiah 61:3.... incidentally this particular verse is a personal favorite for lot of our children at Bethesda Children's Home!
- Pray for the Mission's Drug Rehabilitation Center which has 61 patients, From the information gathered every single person checked in is either from a Hindu, Muslim or Sikh background. May they all find Christ in their personal storm. The many accepting Christ is always a tremendous encouragement for all of us on the field.
- Pray that God will send His choice servants to fill some key positions on our mission-field and ministry.
- Pray concerning the Government sponsored persecution against the Body of Christ on our mission-field. For the first time in over

50 years of ministry here, our church, Delhi Bible Church is under 24 hour Police protection from fanatic Hindu and Muslim groups. Pray fervently that we will have the Spirit inspired boldness to withstand the onslaught of the enemy and continue to treat our enemies with Christ kind of Agape love.