



# CHURCH PLANTER & MISSIONARY PRAYER GUIDE

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### INTRODUCTION

"Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God." This challenge from William Carey has spurred on many who have participated in God's plan of salvation for all nations. Carey, considered by some to be the father of the modern missions movement, spent 41 years in India expecting great things. But he also had expectations of those who stayed behind. Before he left for India in 1793, he looked at a group gathered around him and famously said, "Well, I will go down, if you will hold the rope." Those rope-holders supported William Carey in many ways as he sought to bring the gospel to the lost of India.

Many of our Summit members have been sent out around the world, and they are depending on us to hold the rope. The question is, how do we hold the rope for our brothers and sisters? We certainly do that by our giving to support their work and our going to encourage them. But the most significant way that you and I can support them is through our prayers. Even more, we can actually partner with them in their ministry and the work God is doing in and through them by praying!

This book is designed to aid us in praying for our Summit church planters and missionaries. We hope this resource will help you know how to pray specifically for them. We hope that it will also stir in you a greater passion for missions and a heart that longs to see the gospel spread to all nations and peoples.

Because we believe that God hears and answers prayer, we want to expect great things from him in response to the cries of his children. Let us pray!

## HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

This resource will do little good if we don't use it. Here are some suggestions for ways to use this guide.

- Make it a part of your daily time with God—keep this book with your Bible and pray for at least one missionary each morning.
- Use it in your family devotions or in bedtime prayers with your children.
- Make it a part of your small group rhythms. Commit to praying for a few missionaries each week as a part of your gathering. You might also consider adopting one of the missionary families and taking further steps to encourage and support them as a group.
- Set aside a portion of a day, once a quarter, to pray through as many of the missionaries as you can. This resource could easily lead you through several hours of prayer.

\*For security reasons, some of the names in this book have been edited or changed in their entirety. Pseudonyms are denoted with an asterisk.









### CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN



Countries: 22

Population: 472 million

**Unreached People Groups: 80** 

Number of Unreached People: 775 thousand

### DEVAN HAILEY

### DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

I am working with a nonprofit organization called Water@Work that purifies water and sells it below market value to those who otherwise would not be able to afford it. All of these proceeds go back to the water plant, which is run by a local pastor. I am an engineer/supervisor for all of our eight water plants throughout the country.

- My adjustment to the cultural shift and becoming accustomed to life in general.
- 2. My fluency in Spanish in God's time.
- 3. The ability to seek God before anything else, especially during times when I feel alone.



### COURTNEY AND SARA

### BRAZIL



We live in the megacity of São Paulo, where we work as full-time teachers in private schools. Ministry to students often comes in the form of walking with and providing spiritual guidance to those who are battling anxiety and depression, failed suicide attempts, and familial problems, as well as general evangelism. We also serve in various capacities in a church plant that is strategically placed between a slum and middle- to upper-class apartment complexes.

- God to soften the hearts of the residents of the local slum where our church meets; many families in this area are financially supported by members of our church.
- 2. Our church plant, that the preaching, teaching, and service performed in and out of our church walls would glorify the Lord and lead people to become disciples of Christ.
- 3. Our marriage. We celebrated four years of marriage in July 2021, and we are still going strong!

### LINDA GABLE

### NICARAGUA

I am the director of health projects for New Song Mission in Chichigalpa, Nicaragua. We work on projects that allow us to focus both on community development and the making of disciples. Through the Lord's grace, so far we have been able to plant seven churches.

- The seven communities we go into every week to witness to and the people there. Pray that Jesus would be revealed.
- 2. Favor and wisdom within a difficult government so that we are able to continue to move forward in ministry.
- 3. Health for all of our leadership, that we may be able to continue serving together.



### ANDREW AND LEAH

### COLOMBIA

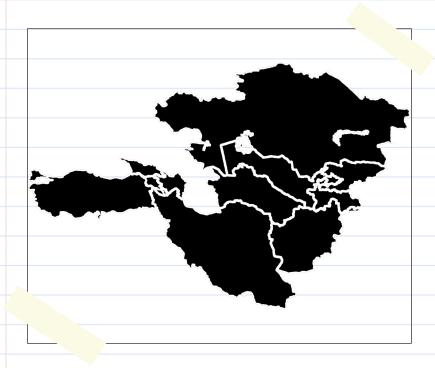
Our family serves in Colombia helping to plant churches among unreached mountain people groups. We mobilize Colombian churches to reach their mountain neighbors for Christ cross-culturally and come alongside mountain believers to disciple and plant churches with them. We invite mountain people to our house as well as visit their communities—all the while sharing Bible stories with them and helping them apply the gospel to daily life within their culture.

- 1. Andrew as he finishes seminary and applies all he's learned to ministry.
- 2. Our two small children who are beginning Colombian school.
- 3. A church to be planted in a foothills town among mountain people.
- 4. Our teaching to encourage mountain believers to share their faith and disciple others.





### CENTRAL ASIA



Countries: 10

Population: 290 million

**Unreached People Groups: 363** 

Number of Unreached People: 277 million

### ADAM AND PAM KRAFT WITH CUB, STREAM, AND FLAME\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

We are incredibly thankful to live in a place that we love—one of the most hospitable countries in the world where there is still much gospel work to be done. As we continue to learn language and culture, we are building friendships, using the stories and blessings of Jesus. We will also soon be employing a new strategy using social media to find people of peace here and help them start the journey of obedience-based discipleship.

- 1. Laborers from and for Central Asia.
- 2. Close friends and good language for our kids.
- 3. The spirit of fatherlessness to not take root in our community.
- 4. E and A, locals who are hosting a house church every week and are our dear friends.
- 5. The few local believers here to be united in gospel-sharing and love for one another.



### CATES FAMILY

### CENTRAL ASIA

Our family has lived in Central Asia for 13 years. We have been blessed with many neighbors and friends who have become family. God has also been very gracious in blessing us with the opportunity to work with a group of local believers. We are grateful to have had this opportunity to disciple and lead this group to become the first known church in our city. However, there are a lot of uncertainties that our country will be facing in the coming year. Due to instability, we are no longer able to live in the same area as these brothers and sisters.

- 1. God to maintain our brothers and sisters, that they would continue on in fellowship and pursuit of the Lord on their own.
- 2. Diligence, intentionality, and focus as we continue to minister, both to the church we are separated from and with those in our new location.
- 3. Our daughters, who are growing into young ladies very quickly, that God would use them and lead them where he has perfectly planned, and for their faith to grow.
- 4. Our parenting, that we would be wise in guiding our daughters and careful not to interfere where they need to be independent.

### CLINT AND AMANDA WITH ELLIE AND HUDSON

### CENTRAL ASIA

We are contining to serve Muslim people in Central Asia. God has blessed us with good relationships and opportunities to share the truth, when for years, the majority of people have been cold to the gospel. There is one village now that has multiple believers who we are striving to bring together to worship together. There is much work to be done, and God has been growing our team, but every year we face problems and significant delays with acquiring and maintaining visas. Through all this, God has been obviously answering prayer and steadfast in his work among these lost people.

- The locals who face persecution for following Jesus, that they would be strengthened and overcome this immense pressure.
- 2. Discipline in our language learning, as our workload is heavy, and the local language is unwritten.
- 3. Our four children, that they would be saved, grow into mature Christians, have good local friends, and grow well in a foreign environment.
- 4. Our spiritual health, that we would remain encouraged, protected from sin, and be blessed with many years of service in this location.

### MARCUS AND ANA KIM WITH JOSHUA AND MICAH\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

In 2020, due to security incidents, we found out we would not be returning to our work in East Asia, and our family moved to Central Asia in July 2021. We have restarted language study in a new country and a new city. After learning the language, we will be engaging Central Asian Muslims with hopes to be part of a church planting movement that will plant a church in each of the 39 districts of their city of roughly 18 million people.

- 1. Us to transition well to the new culture and country, and that as the waves of grief come from the loss of our previous country of service, that the Lord would comfort us and be our peace.
- 2. Psalm 4:7–8 for our two sons, for joy in their hearts, peace in their sleep, safety in the Lord, and their salvation.
- Opportunities and deep friendships with our neighbors; in the midst of restarting, pray that the Lord would continue to show himself faithful as he gives us opportunities.

### MEGHAN ROYALS\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

I work in Central Asia and run a life skills development program. The goal of this program is to train young women and give them the opportunity to start their own business. In addition to this program, I have language study twice a week with a lady who is open to reading God's Word. I spend a lot of time visiting neighbors and friends, all while learning about Central Asian culture.

- The teachers and students of the life skills development program to be open to hearing the truth.
- 2. My teacher's eyes to be opened as she reads God's Word.
- 3. Our team to be open and vulnerable with each other and have a unified vision as we strive to make Jesus' name known in Central Asia.

### MIKEA AND COURTNEY BRAKKEN WITH MICAH, SPENCER, AND IAN\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

Our family lives in the remote mountains of Central Asia, leading a team reaching several different people groups spread over about half of our small country. We have served in this part of the world for 10 years, and Mikea has led the team for over five of those. All three boys were born here, are homeschooled, and very much at home with our people and team in the mountains. In addition, we run a small nonprofit that does disaster response and community development. Our hope is to see churches planted and believers discipled in these nearly entirely unreached mountains.

- 1. Two small groups of believers in two different valleys who have come to faith over the last couple of years. They are faithfully studying the Word but are very isolated and face persecution from their communities.
- 2. Our team, as we are growing by bringing on new families and seeking to find suitable roles and tasks for everyone while trying to maintain healthy fellowship along the way.
- 3. Our continued presence. As our country seems less and less welcoming to foreigners as time goes on, pray that we would share faithfully, develop believers and leaders, and be the hands and feet of Jesus in the mountains for a long time yet to come.

### SHANE AND MELANIE JOHNSON WITH THREE KIDS\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

Our family leads a church planting team focused on five unreached Muslim people groups in a high-security region. Ministry is in partnership with local believers, usually from behind the scenes due to security concerns. There is much opposition to the gospel from the government as well as from local Muslim religious leaders.

- 1. Our children to come to know the Lord, trust his promises are true, and live obedient lives full of worship to him.
- 2. Our marriage to remain grounded in the Lord and our relationship to remain healthy.
- 3. The church to grow among our focus people groups and our team to be instrumental in helping local believers.
- 4. Protection of the local believers from the Enemy as well as from the government and local Muslim fanatics.

### CHUCK AND CHELSEA NUBBAGE WITH CHUCKIE\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

We are in our first term, making our home in a large global city. We spend much of our time continuing to learn the language and culture. Our ultimate aim is to partner with the local church here to plant more healthy churches.

- Us to be able to work hard in learning the language and become proficient speakers.
- 2. Us to love and serve the few churches in our region.
- 3. Our new city to feel like home and for us to be lights among the darkness in our neighborhood.

### MICHAEL AND KATRINA

### CENTRAL ASIA

We have been in our country for the last three years. We teach English and also help out in the community. Katrina meets with groups of women for cooking and crafts while Michael also helps out with a football team. Our family has grown this past year, as we welcomed our first baby.

- 1. Our adjustment to life as parents and, especially, as parents in a different culture.
- 2. Our team, which has been spread out due to border closures. Pray that we can all get back in town, that we would meld well as a team, and, especially, for our new team members.
- 3. The women Katrina meets with, that they would respond to the good news.
- 4. The guys on the football team to be open and interested in hearing the good news.

### STEVE AND JENNIFER HOUND\*

### CENTRAL ASIA

We serve with our children in one of the oldest cities in the world, working with oppressed and often forgotten people far from the gospel. Yet God is at work! We are starting our second term with joyful expectation. We've seen God work in the last four years in some amazing ways as we continue to pursue establishing the first healthy church plant led by locals amongst our people group. We also work in the agriculture industry in order to do community development and engagement which has opened doors to other religious minority groups in our country.

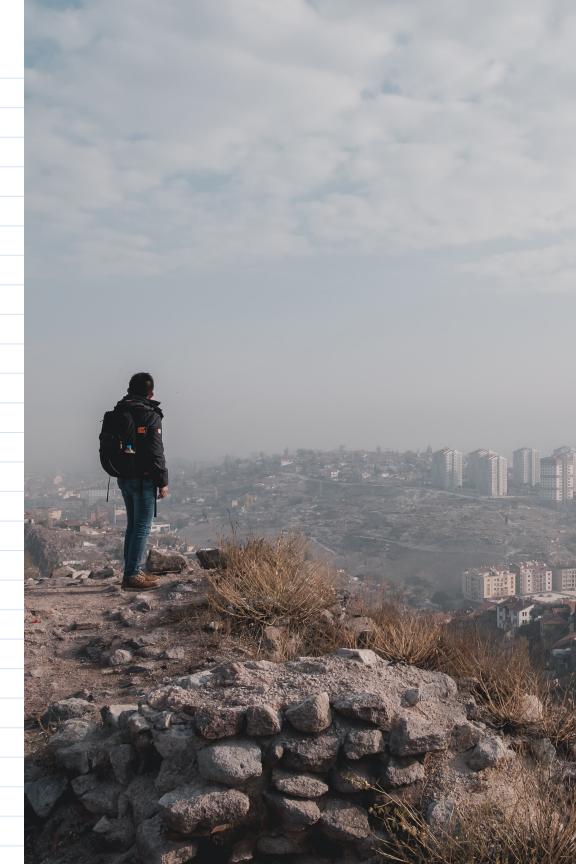
- Workers to be sent to engage with these newly accessed unreached and unengaged people groups.
- 2. Four local leaders to be raised up in the next five years.
- 3. Two healthy churches to be planted in the next five years.
- 4. Our team to stabilize and see healthy long-term engagement happen.

### **CAMERON**

### CENTRAL ASIA

I am currently in the first year of my second term in Central Asia, though I have recently had to move to a new country due to political instability in the region. In my work I strive to find opportunities to work alongside and invest in local women. I am able to share the truth of Jesus Christ more deeply as I am able to go deep in their language and culture. I trust that the Lord's Word will not return void and that in his sovereign time a church will be planted among these women and their families.

- Vision and clarity from the Lord in business and ministry, as we have had to shift strategies and location because of security.
- 2. The 30+ women I have been investing in. Pray that they would continue to ask questions and desire to understand more fully the things of God, even as I am no longer able to walk alongside them on a daily basis.
- 3. My employees to have greater access to the gospel and believe through the Bible being translated into their language for the first time.





### EAST ASIA



Countries: 8

Population: 1.7 billion

**Unreached People Groups: 528** 

Number of Unreached People: 307 million

### SHELBY GOERNE

### SINGAPORE



In 2019, I leveraged my job as a teacher and moved to Singapore after visiting on a short-term mission trip. I now focus on workplace ministry with my coworkers in my job as a teacher. In addition, I work alongside a team working with unreached people groups in Singapore.

- Churches to mobilize and have a heart for the unreached in Singapore.
- 2. Boldness at work and in my community to share the gospel.
- 3. My team to continue to support one another, even when travel and ministry opportunities are challenging due to the COVID-19 restrictions we are facing.

### WADE AND LEAH SHOEMAN\*

### EAST ASIA

We work at an international school which serves students from pre-K to 12th grade. Through education, we are able to influence students and families through intentional relationship building and outreach. Education serves as an inroad to the community and places us in a position to build relationships with individuals and families who will have opportunities to influence others all over the world.

- Us to build relationships and increase our involvement with parents and families, especially dads.
- 2. Opportunities to serve our community through partnerships that both meet the needs of others and also increase engagement opportunities.
- 3. Growth as a family while we navigate the challenges of living abroad.

### JESSE AND CANDIE ROSE WITH ELIANA AND LUKAS

### JAPAN

Despite complete freedom of religion, the Japanese people are the second largest unreached people group in the world. Only 0.22 percent of the population attend a Protestant church, and it is estimated that more than 100 million Japanese have yet to hear a clear presentation of the gospel message. Our family is serving as church planters in Fukuoka City, the youngest, fastest growing, and fastest internationalizing major city in Japan. In partnership with a local Japanese church, we are hoping to plant a gospel-centered, bilingual church in downtown Fukuoka.

- Our partnerships and shared vision for church planting with Aburayama Shalom Chapel.
- 2. The formation and spiritual development of a church planting team.
- 3. Many families and young professionals to be engaged and exposed to the gospel through our family and this new downtown church plant.
- 4. Our Japanese speaking ability to grow and improve.



### ROB AND PAM RILEY WITH CALEB, ANNA, AND REBEKAH

TAIWAN



We have served in East Asia since 2001 in various roles. Currently, we are serving the East Asia Affinity as risk management consultants. Our primary responsibility is to provide oversight to all security-related matters for our personnel living and working in East Asia in order to help them maintain access to the people to whom they are called. Rob works in the affinity office daily, and Pam has many local ministries in which she is involved. These include leading discipleship groups, mentoring new believers, and outreach to non-believing local women.

- 1. Our oldest child, Caleb, as he chooses where to attend university and that scholarships would be available. Pray also for his freshman year of college as he transitions from a life lived overseas to life in the USA.
- 2. Opportunities to share the gospel with our local friends.
- 3. The local churches in Taiwan as they struggle with unbiblical leadership and declining membership.

### RICK AND HIROMI PRICE

### JAPAN

Hiromi was born and raised in Yokohama, Japan, but we have lived most of our married years in North Carolina. We felt called to be full-time missionaries, and, after much prayer, we were able to go on a short-term vision trip to Tokyo during the summer of 2019. Now, we serve on a team in the heart of Tokyo where the church is key to our work as we seek to have the Japanese believers join us in discipleship and evangelism. Most churches here are not accustomed to going out into the community as the culture is very private and cautious, making it all the more challenging.

- Strong relationships with the church here and that we would partner together in ministry.
- 2. A spiritual revival in Japan.
- 3. Young believers to be raised up to fill the seminary schools to become pastors, as many pastors in Japan are aging and having difficulty finding replacements.
- 4. Our health, that God would sustain us, that we would not become discouraged, and that he would keep us faithful to his calling as we continue in our work here.

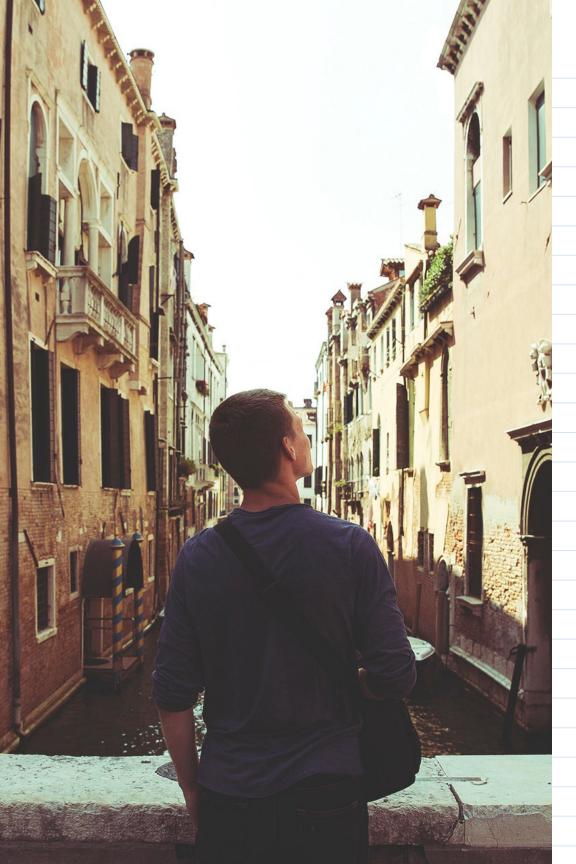
# BRIAN AND SARAH CHAVEZ WITH CASSIA

#### JAPAN

The people of Japan are the second largest unreached people group on the planet. We are new to Japan, so we spend much of our time learning language and connecting with the few Japanese churches in the fifth largest city in Japan. After acquiring the language, we will share the good news of Jesus to those who do not yet know him, partner with existing churches to plant more churches, and pray that the Holy Spirit would change the spiritual landscape of Sapporo from death into life.

- Language acquisition so that we can communicate clearly and winsomely the good news of Jesus.
- 2. A prayerful life and that we would abide in the Lord every moment.
- 3. The people of Japan, specifically our neighbors and people that we will interact with in Sapporo.





# EUROPE



Countries: 51

Population: 748 million

**Unreached People Groups: 558** 

Number of Unreached People: 41 million

# THOMAS AND ELIZABETH WEST

REDEEMER QUEEN'S PARK, LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM



Modern, intellectual, progressive, wealthy. Chasing career success, success for their kids, and pleasure. London has a diverse population, and our neighborhood in particular is filled with successful people who don't see their need for God. It is a tight-knit community that needs a clear gospel witness.

- 1. London to remain open post-COVID. Our church was able to start meeting in late 2021. Please pray that we can keep our doors open!
- 2. Wisdom to know how best to respond to the needs of the neighborhood in light of COVID-19 and our desire for racial justice and equality.

# SHANE AND ASHLEY HUTCHINSON

#### **SWEDEN**

We live and work in Västerås, Sweden, and are focused on reaching college students and 20-/30-somethings ministry. We have been in our city since 2012, and this is the only home our three children have ever known. It can be draining living in one of the most atheistic and post-modern countries in the world, but the Lord has provided opportunities to reach not only Europeans but refugees from the Middle East and Central Asia as well.

- Help from the Lord post-COVID to restart the ministry, for it to be focused on outward-reaching and that people would return in the coming years.
- 2. The people attending our events who do not yet know the Lord, that they would believe the good news of the gospel.



## JASON RICH

#### **NORWAY**



I have been serving in Oslo, Norway, for the past five years partnering with a local church and an evangelical organization to evangelize among immigrants, homeless, and drug addicts in Oslo. This ministry includes a morning coffee for the homeless and weekly Bible teaching. This past year I also began an international theological degree program at a local Christian university. This has given me an opportunity to start a Bible study on campus and work with international college students.

- 1. The on-campus Bible study to get established and be impactful for the college students.
- 2. Volunteers for our cafe that ministers to the homeless so that we can expand our opening hours.
- 3. Focus on God's leading and trust in his provision while I am in Oslo.

# DAVID AND BECCA WITH SOPHIA, JACKSON, HARPER, AND #4 (ARRIVING FALL 2021)

#### NORTHERN EUROPE

Our family moved to Northern Europe in June 2021 after living several years in the Middle East studying language and culture. We are working to reach North African and Middle Eastern refugees in our European context. We are also engaging and training local churches in how to reach our Arab neighbors. Over the next few years we will be learning the local language and beginning some of the first work among Arabic-speaking refugees in our city.

- 1. Our family to remain rooted in Christ above all and for the salvation of our children.
- 2. Our partner relationships to be fruitful and for us to find unity in the main things.
- 3. Laborers to join us here in the harvest.
- 4. Countless people in our city to be saved and go to the ends of the earth!



# DONNY AND SHANNON DAVIS WITH STELLA AND EMMA

#### **GERMANY**

In 2016 our family moved to Düsseldorf, Germany, for Donny's job. While not part of an official church plant, this move represents our faith and trust in God—to live for him so that others in Germany may see God's love through us. Our family is leveraging our jobs for the mission and praying that others in Germany will see Christ through our everyday living.

- 1. Continued confidence with speaking and understanding German.
- 2. Our parenting, as we raise children internationally and navigate the challenges this brings—language, missing family and friends, etc.
- 3. Us to live Christ-centered lives so that our neighbors and coworkers will see him through us.



# DAVID MORGAN

#### UNITED KINGDOM



I am currently serving as a Journeyman in London. My main ministry focus is reaching and discipling university students in the city. Our ultimate goal is to see a church planted in our borough, Camden Town. Alongside student engagement, I have had the immense privilege of working alongside a Summit sister church, Redeemer Queen's Park.

- 1. Enjoyment of Christ deeply each day.
- 2. The Holy Spirit to empower me to love others and lead humbly.
- 3. Guidance to people in the city that God is working on for salvation.
- 4. A church plant to form in Camden Town.

# PALLE AND DEBORA COGBURN WITH DYLAN, GARTH, CE'NEDRA, AND MISTY

#### DENMARK

We are supporting The Gospel Coalition-Nordic. We are on the planning team for the organization, and Palle is translating from English to Danish and serving in technical, administrative, and financial matters. Deb is doing administrative work, as well as adding a woman's perspective. We are also actively engaged in the local church in the area.

- Favor for the kids to integrate well into school (two have special needs) and to establish lifelong, godly friendships.
- 2. Quick language acquisition.
- 3. People who have an open heart to hear from the Lord and be led to us by him.
- 4. Us to be a light to our neighbors and our new church.

## BRIAN AND MANDY

#### BULGARIA

We are Brian and Mandy and have three kids (ages 13, 11, and 8). We have served as church planters in the Balkans for 15 years and are currently serving in Sofia, Bulgaria. We have a dual focus of working with and equipping the local church as well as living intentionally and engaging our community. We seek to see nationals engage the entire city, as Sofia has less than a 1 percent evangelical presence.

- The Baptist churches to be united in engaging unreached areas of the city and country.
- 2. Our broader training opportunities, that we would see churches and members engage in the missionary task and grow in discipleship.
- 3. Our family as we live intentionally and engage our community that shows little interest in the gospel.
- 4. Our team in Sofia as we welcome two new units to help us engage the city.

# JOSHUA AND JESSICA COBB WITH ELLIE AND HUDSON

LONDON, ENGLAND



We work in the city of London as mental health strategists. The first part of our job is to encourage, train, and equip pastors, missionaries, and believers to better understand their own mental health and to care for the mental health of those in their congregations and those they are trying to reach. The second part is to use mental health strategies, such as support groups or counseling, to share the gospel with the unreached.

- 1. Our children, Ellie (5) and Hudson (3), as they transition to the culture and make new friends in a very diverse city.
- 2. Our hearts. Mental health is an incredible field but can also be extremely draining as we carry other people's burdens. It's easy to feel burned out and have compassion fatigue.
- 3. The people we are here to minister to. There are an estimated 300 different languages and 270 nationalities represented in the city of London, totalling about 9 million people, and yet only about 180,000 believe the gospel.

## MARY

#### UNITED KINGDOM

I am seeking to reach Jewish people here in the United Kingdom by participating in community center activities to meet people and build relationships. I'm also trying to connect and share with people in the local parks. The Jewish people have strong ties to their traditions and are very resistant to the gospel, as they equate following Jesus to betraying their family, culture, and heritage. Much wisdom is needed to know how to reach these people in this diaspora location.

- The Lord to lead me and my teammates to people God has prepared to hear the gospel.
- 2. A good, healthy local believing community from this population to begin.
- 3. Deep, supportive local friendships.

# JOSHUA AND BAILEY KRAUSE WITH RYKER AND CLARA

#### POLAND

We have served with the International Mission Board in Warsaw, Poland, as church planters since 2016. Together with national partners, we strive to encourage and strengthen the local church, help train leaders, form a community with unbelievers, and plant churches.

- 1. A pastor for a new church plant we are working toward.
- 2. Continued good relationships with our local church and it's leadership.
- 3. New and creative ways to engage our community.



# RUSSELL AND INGRID WOODBRIDGE

GERMANY



We moved from Ukraine to Germany in 2021. Germans are the second highest unreached people group in all of Europe. Before the move, we served in Ukraine for 12 years with our four children, Evelyn, Sabrina, Lukas, and Markus. All four children work or study at university in the United States now. We will be working with a German seminary to establish a Ph.D. program, mentor students, and teach. In addition, Ingrid will continue to provide member care for missionaries, and, in the future, we hope to be part of a church plant.

- 1. Us to be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, and to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing God and bearing fruit in each ministry for his glory.
- Open doors for the Word and to declare the gospel with friends in Germany, and that we would see them come to Christ.
- 3. The work of church planting and theological education, that God would give Germans vision to plant churches and to go to the nations.
- 4. The work of member care among missionaries, that we would be an encouragement and help to them with whatever they face.

### EMILY RUBLE

#### BULGARIA



Though an often overlooked part of the world, Eastern Europe is a beautiful region with a rich history, as culture and tradition prove it to be a unique combination of the East and the West. Like many post-communist places, the country is marked by a somber, materialistic way of thinking, making many resistant to

the things of God. My role is to work alongside national believers and other Great Commission partners to meet, evangelize, disciple, and mobilize university students and young professionals.

- Joy, humility, attentiveness, and a strong work ethic to do what God has called me to, especially as I learn language and culture.
- 2. Opportunities for Bulgarian believers and me to proclaim the gospel frequently, boldly, clearly, lovingly, and eagerly, and that many would repent and believe.
- 3. My team to "have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind" (1 Peter 3:8).
- 4. My family in the States, specifically my siblings who are not believers.

# PHIL AND BECCA BARTUSKA WITH MARK AND ADON

#### AUSTRIA

We serve in Vienna, Austria. Vienna is a multinational city with a rich culture and beautiful landscape. However, behind the beautiful architecture and culture is much spiritual darkness. Less than 0.5 percent of the population claim to have a relationship with Jesus. Our family is working with a small local fellowship to make disciples and plant churches, with our family leading a new plant in 2021.

- 1. Our children, Mark and Adon, to grow up to know and love Jesus.
- 2. Freikirche Döbling, a church who is partnering with us to plant churches in areas where there is no gospel presence, that God would bless their efforts.
- The church plant, that God would bring a core team together who would be unified around the gospel message and a desire to see lives changed because of it.



# RICHARD AND JULIA RUDOLPH WITH JUSTUS, LINCOLN, AND LUCY

#### GERMANY

We began planting churches in Germany in 2013. Currently, we are planting churches in the city of St. Wendel. We are also working with local partners to build and develop a center in Kusel for students to study church planting skills in order to awaken the church in Germany. Our desire is to build a self-supporting church planting network within our region.

- The leaders of these churches to have the courage, wisdom, strength, and vision they need to lead well.
- 2. God to open the eyes of the culture, steeped in traditional Catholicism and esotericism, but which lives out a very pragmatic atheism.
- 3. Unity in the churches, that they would love their communities well, exchanging their general distrust of the church for a true understanding of who Jesus really is.

### KATHRYN BROWN\*

#### WESTERN EUROPE

I moved to Western Europe in the summer of 2021 to learn the local language and work with immigrants and refugees from the Middle East. We are beginning to see more churches planted across our country throughout these immigrant communities, and we have the privilege of doing discipleship and leadership development with them. We desire to see many people in our country come to faith in Jesus so that they will go back into their home countries to share the gospel and plant churches!

- 1. Joy in learning the language, and for me to transition well to life and culture.
- 2. North African and Middle Eastern people in Western Europe to follow Jesus and for entire families, not just individuals, to follow him.
- 3. Unity and steadfastness in the work for our team, that we will always encourage one another and commit to the task of making disciples together.

# ADAM AND STEPHANIE PARKEN WITH EVERETT, JAMES, AND LILLIAN

#### **GERMANY**

Our family has lived in Berlin, Germany, since 2015. Adam works for a startup, and Stephanie works as a pediatric occupational therapist. We seek to demonstrate the love of the gospel to our friends, school community, and workplaces, with a heavy emphasis on hospitality. The pandemic interrupted many of our opportunities to welcome people into our home, so we are reengaging people and reimagining how to best care for those in our lives.

- 1. Berliners to know God is real and that he desires a personal relationship with them.
- 2. Our children, Everett, James, and Lillian, to continue showing God's love to their classmates.
- 3. Our health, for Stephanie to know how to best manage fibromyalgia and for Adam's blood clots to not cause any further health risks.



## RENEE

#### ENGLAND

I have been living in London for about a year and a half. I work as a mathematics teacher and moved here to support a new church plant, Redeemer Queen's Park. For me, ministry is connecting with people in a weekly community group and serving on various teams on the weekend for our gatherings.

- 1. Growth as a new church community as lockdowns ease.
- 2. Our new ministries to be fruitful and engage people in a wider context.



### MADDIE KUJAWA

#### ENGLAND

I serve in East London with a team focused on reaching university students with the gospel. I attend a local church in the city and partner with its members to make disciples on college campuses and in the surrounding areas. I'll spend most of my time in parks, coffee shops, and on different campuses building relationships and sharing the gospel with students in hopes that the Lord will raise up disciples who make disciples, not only in London but around the world.

- Deep friendships both with believers and non-believers as I move to my new city.
- 2. Me to grow in my trust in and dependence on the Lord.
- 3. My team and me to, in humility, count others as more significant than ourselves, and that through this we would grow in unity with one another.
- 4. Many opportunities to share the gospel boldly with college students in London!



# ZACH AND LAUREN WITH JACK, HAYDEN, AND CARTER

#### EUROPE

We live in Europe and serve among Muslim immigrants and refugees. We are working to see churches planted among people groups that have little to no access to the gospel. We also host, mentor, and train groups of young adults who are exploring what it means to live on mission in cross-cultural contexts.

- 1. Wisdom, patience, and joy as we shepherd our three children.
- 2. God to open eyes to the gospel and draw Muslims in Europe to himself.
- 3. The young adults we are mentoring, that they would walk in obedience to the work that the Lord has called them toward.

### LUKE HUMPHREY

#### ENGLAND

I'm currently doing a two-year Journeyman term with the International Mission Board and helping to plant Redeemer Queen's Park Church. My day to day includes discipleship, evangelism, and Bible studies with university students and young adults, as the student ministry grows in the city.

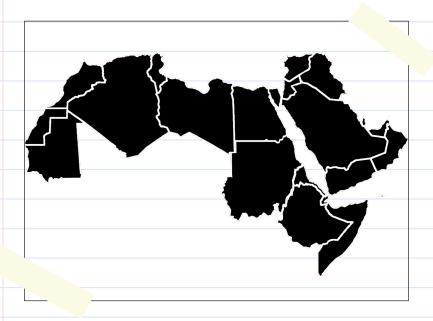
- 1. Favor with university students as we are sharing the gospel.
- 2. Short-term teams that are coming and their ability to form relationships with locals.
- 3. The formation of new university and young adult ministries and Bible studies.
- 4. People from different nations to come to know Jesus!







# NORTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST



**Countries: 26** 

Population: 564 million

**Unreached People Groups: 870** 

Number of Unreached People: 346 million

# EUGENE AND RACHEL WINSLOW\*

#### ARABIAN PENINSULA

We recently moved with our two kids to be a light in the darkness of Islam. We spend most of our days learning Arabic, working at our small business, getting out in the community, and raising our toddlers. As our language skill improves, we will focus even more time building relationships with local friends in hopes that God will work salvation among the unreached.

- 1. Blessing and diligence in language learning so that we may be proficient soon!
- 2. Many opportunities for gospel conversations.
- 3. Good friendships with locals who are ready to hear, and that we'd even see someone come to faith this year.
- 4. Wisdom and patience in raising our two little kids and for healthy work, family, ministry balance.

# ERIK AND CAROLINE ANDERSON\*

#### HORN OF AFRICA

We live in a megacity in the Horn of Africa where we are engaged with urban peoples from multiple faiths. Our goal is to partner with the existing church to see new churches planted and to see many of the unreached people in this city come to know Jesus.

- 1. Us as we reenter and reestablish ourselves well in the coming year after being out of the country for over a year due to the pandemic.
- Wisdom and guidance as we establish a new company to operate within, since our previous company was forced to close due to the pandemic.
- 3. New ways to partner with the local church to further mobilize and engage new communities.

# MARK AND LISA MCWHITE WITH ASHLEY, DAVID, AND WILL\*

#### HORN OF AFRICA

Our family of five works among a rural people group in the Horn of Africa. Our heart is to see this region come to know Jesus for the first time. Scripture is currently being translated into their heart language, but recent conflict has created many obstacles to the translation work.

- 1. Protection of those translating the New Testament, as the region slips into further instability.
- 2. Wisdom as we work in relief and development in a war-torn region.
- 3. Our family to keep our eyes on the cross and our hands on the plow.

### JOSEPH AND JESSICA BROWN\*

#### MIDDLE EAST

We both have jobs in a large global city in the region, reaching nationals here as well as immigrants that have come here temporarily to work. We seek to reach our coworkers with the gospel and serve alongside the local church. We are encouraged to be partnering with those in the church to reach out and share the good news of the gospel with those in our neighborhoods, workplaces, and our city.

- Believers from other countries whom we have invested in that have since had to return to their home countries. Pray that they would be able to find and plug into a church and continue to grow.
- 2. A new business we are starting, that God would give us favor in our work and that through it we would have the opportunity to impact many lives for the sake of the gospel.
- 3. Our church to remain committed to the Word of God and that through that we would see the gospel spread throughout the region.

# BRIAN AND CHRISTINA F. WITH MIA AND JOSH\*

#### MIDDLE EAST

We are serving in the Middle East, working with a business making soap and other products made from local ingredients. We're learning language and culture so that we can share the good news and see more brothers and sisters come into the kingdom!

- 1. Our family to show one another grace and to have unity while learning language and culture.
- 2. Opportunities for us to be in locals' homes to share the good news.
- 3. Blind eyes to be opened and the Spirit to prepare hearts to receive the good news here.

### SUSAN CHICK\*

#### MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA

I have three areas where I spend most of my time. First, I'm focused on college ministry with local Arab students; second, college ministry with international students from French-speaking sub-Saharan Africa; and third, administrative work for the local church. Each of these jobs is extremely different and requires various skills and languages, but in all of them, my primary role is to disciple and equip others to multiply the work.

- 1. Local Arab students, that "the eyes of their hearts may be enlightened" and that they would see that Jesus has already done everything necessary to save them.
- 2. More staff for the college ministry, particularly a male staff member to assist in discipling the Arab students.
- 3. Healthy rhythms of work and rest when I often feel pulled in different directions. Pray that I would learn to say no and have margin in my life.

# ANDY AND APRIL DWYER WITH TWO KIDS\*

#### NORTH AFRICA

We're serving in an Islamic republic where believing anything other than the majority religion is against the law. Most people we encounter on a daily basis have never heard the gospel or know the truth about who Jesus was and what he did. Even worse, many people grow up learning outright lies about Jesus, the Bible, and the Christian faith. The grip of Islam is strong, and many people here lack the ability to think for themselves, preferring to lean on what their elders have taught them. When we encounter those who are open to the gospel, they are often afraid of how their families or broader community would react if they were to choose to follow Jesus.

- 1. The ministry of local believers, that they would mature into disciple-making disciples and remain steadfast in following the Lord despite living in a place that is hostile to the gospel.
- 2. God to give us strength and grace as we endure hardship joyfully and seek his kingdom in one of the poorest countries in the world.

# ANDREW AND EMILY

#### MIDDLE EAST

In early 2022 we will be relocating to a highly unreached and underserved region of the Middle East which we're calling "Riverland." For our first two years in Riverland, we'll study language and perform community needs assessments. The results of the community needs assessments will determine how we choose to work among the people of Riverland for years to come, integrating this work with simple church planting through discipleship and communal study of God's Word.

- 1. Deep relationships with our language tutors, neighbors, and community leaders.
- 2. The people of Riverland to thirst for Jesus Christ as their living water.
- 3. Riverland to experience holistic restoration.

## **ASHTON**

#### MIDDLE EAST

In 2020 I moved to the Middle East to pursue my passions for empowering others through storytelling and bringing freedom to women through the gospel. I studied Arabic but want to continue to learn more and one day open a center to equip the persecuted to tell their stories and find inner healing.

- 1. God to help me to be a tender-hearted spiritual mother to the women the Lord's given me to shepherd.
- 2. Protection, that I would be full of mercy and truth rather than close my heart to people for fear of it breaking.
- 3. The provision of brothers and sisters who are deeply committed to one another and this region, and that one day we could start a center for inner healing together.





# NORTH AMERICA



Countries: 3

Population: 579 million

# CHIP AND KRISTEN ROBINSON

### KING'S CROSS CHURCH, CHARLESON, SC

Charleston is a rapidly growing destination area for many people seeking lifestyle changes. One main challenge is the pull of leisure or lifestyle. Loneliness and disillusionment are common as people find that their issues moved to Charleston with them. Lastly, racism is so deeply rooted in our city that many don't even recognize it in either its systematic or individual manifestations.

- Growth in diversity that reflects the kingdom of God and the community he has placed us in.
- 2. Continued influence in the schools closest to our church and increased involvement with those students and their families outside of school.
- 3. Increased passion for, and involvement in, missions opportunities for our people.



# JOSH AND MEREDITH MILLER

### CENTER CHURCH, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA



Charlottesville is a fairly affluent and progressive college town at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains and is home to the University of Virginia. It's a beautiful place to live that combines the charm of a college town with the amenities of a larger city. Roughly 90 percent of people in our community lack a personal relationship with Christ. Many people in Charlottesville value community but have a hard time finding it.

- 1. Us to be a church that prioritizes prayer and the preaching of the gospel.
- 2. Us to treat church more like a family we belong to than an event we attend.
- 3. Our children to grow to love and serve Christ.
- 4. Meredith and me to continually build our marriage.

# ETHAN AND ASHLEY WELCH

### THE BRIDGE CHURCH, WILMINGTON, NC

We have a beautiful city where God is doing great work. We have a serious stronghold of oppression and racism that is contrary to God's vision for our city, and we are praying for kingdom change here. We also have a high concentration of addiction and opioid abuse, one of the highest in the country, and we are asking God for great deliverance and healing for many who are lost and struggling and without hope.

- God to build a kingdom movement and a culture of discipleship in our church.
- 2. God to lead us to a new facility and build a new, permanent home for our church.
- 3. Our family's health. Pray for our three young girls and for Ashley to have health and strength as she manages all the moving pieces in our life.



# MARK AND WHITNEY TURNER

### REDEMPTION HEIGHTS CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA, PA



Our church in West Philly exists in the middle of diverse communities. We serve people from a wide range of socioeconomic classes—our community has a significant population of college students, and we serve single moms, young families, empty nesters, and the elderly. We have great religious diversity with large populations of Jewish and Muslim folks as well.

- 1. Wisdom in navigating the diverse communities in which we serve.
- 2. A tangible impact on the well-being of underserved peoples in our community.
- 3. Leadership development and multiplication among college students and West Philadelphians.
- 4. Meaningful long-term, gospel-centered relationships for our children.

# LOUIS AND ANDREA TAMBURRO WITH NOAH, CALEB, AND TENLEY

# CITY AWAKENING, ORLANDO, FL

The major idols in our city are security in entertainment and an indifference to faith or truth, which is believed to be relative. Orlando is a place where entertainment and brokenness live next to one another. The church needs to preach a message of hope and fulfillment found only in Jesus.

- 1. People who are far from God to come to faith in Jesus.
- 2. Perseverance in ministry, that we would set our eyes on Jesus as we run the race he has set before us.
- 3. Our family, that my wife, Andrea, and I would walk deeply with God, and that God would save our three children, Noah, Caleb, and Tenley.



# MATT AND NATALIE FELTON

### TRINITY CHURCH OF LOUDOUN, ASHBURN, VA



Loudoun County—the northwest suburbs of Washington, D.C.—is a very busy place filled with people who have made a career in the D.C. region. There's a lot of money here and different forms of power. This leads to the idols of money, status, power, appearance, busyness, and more. We want to preach a gospel that gives people a better identity than any of these things can.

- 1. Fruitful evangelism as we engage our city.
- 2. Unity and maturity in the life of our congregation.
- 3. The Lord to provide us a building!
- 4. Our three kids to fear and trust the Lord.

# BRAD AND JENA-MARIE O'BRIEN

# JESUS OUR REDEEMER, BALTIMORE, MD

We live in and minister in Federal Hill, a historic neighborhood located in south Baltimore. Baltimore is where we call home, because in 2010 when we began searching for a location to plant, we were overwhelmed by the systemic issues that were clear to us as outsiders. If we wanted to plant a church in a strategic location, we couldn't allow comfort and ease to be our guide; we knew we needed to plant our lives in a place that was desperate for the good news.

- Our church to be faithful in our efforts to share the gospel and make disciples.
- 2. Our church to faithfully send members on mission overseas.
- 3. Our marriage, that Jena-Marie and I would love each other in a way that honors Christ and points our friends to the gospel.
- 4. Our children, that we would parent them in a way that would faithfully point them to Christ.



# CORY AND STEFANI JOHNSON

### AUSTIN LIFE CHURCH, AUSTIN, TX



Austin is a dark city. Only 10 percent profess Christianity, and very few have any interest in faith. There is more of a hostility and belief that Christians are homophobic, racist, unloving bigots. It takes a long time to break down walls just to have a relationship. Austin celebrates being different, unlike the Bible Belt of Texas. As a whole, people are friendly, and Austin is a fun place to live, but the spiritual temperature in this city is extremely cold and indifferent.

- God to move us from living in black and white to living in color with him, and for healing, rest, restoration, and intimacy in our marriage and family.
- 2. Maturity, stability, and faithfulness in our church members.
- 3. Friends in our season of life and friends for our four children.
- 4. Our children, for their salvation and for God to draw them to himself, despite having very few Christian influences in their lives.

# KEITH AND AMANDA WELTON

### BRIDGEWAY CHURCH, ALPHARETTA, GA

We are in a very affluent area in the Bible Belt, and most people are very satisfied with what they have. Many Christians also seem satisfied to have a minimal commitment to Jesus and to his mission. This community needs to be called out of cultural Christianity and into a life-changing relationship with Jesus.

- 1. Our church replant, as we begin a new season where we are fully focused on the vision the Lord has given to our church.
- 2. Our church to grow in its longing to see others reached with the good news of Jesus Christ.
- 3. Strength and endurance during the long process of replanting.



# BILLY AND ALLISON LOWE

### CITY CHURCH, ALPHARETTA, GA



Alpharetta is a wealthy suburb of Atlanta. We are a very diverse city, though not reflective of American diversity. The majority of people here are highly educated and have well-paying jobs. We are among the least churched areas in the state and country. The divorce rates are high, there is a major drug problem, and people are spiritually empty. The greatest idol our city faces is success. We are trying to show people that the truly joyful life is one found in Jesus (John 10:10).

- 1. Opportunities to multiply our reach in Alpharetta, Metro-Atlanta, and to the ends of the earth.
- 2. Our family to continue to be healthy and joyful, our children to come to faith, and us to be able to mobilize our family to fulfill the Great Commission.

# DAYTON AND REBEKAH HARTMAN

### REDEEMER CHURCH, ROCKY MOUNT, NC

Rocky Mount is a city filled with moral people. There is a veneer of religiosity that can lead people to trust in their morality rather than Christ. Our desire is to break through the moralism of our region with the good news of the gospel. In addition, our city has experienced deep racial division. We long to be used by Christ as agents of racial reconciliation.

- Maturity and multiplication as a church, that we would mature in the gospel while seeking to plant churches throughout small towns in the Southeast.
- 2. Our family, that we would model Christ to our sons and that Christ would save our children and protect our marriage.



# DERRICK AND RACHEL DELAIN

### PROCLAMATION CHURCH, NASHVILLE, TN



Nashville is a city that boasts the most churches per capita in America. With three mainline denominations in the area, people jokingly consider it the buckle of the Bible Belt. The city is over-churched and under-gospeled, as it is steeped in moral religion instead of the life-transforming love of Jesus. There are many who came from this over-churched crowd who are now simply over church. Many find their identity in their careers, skills, and talents.

#### Pray for:

- 1. Unity as we seek to be ethnically diverse and mature as we grow in our understanding of the gospel (Ephesians 4:1–16).
- 2. Our church to serve each other and our city in a way that people are drawn to the love of Jesus, and that we would be a people who pray and depend fully on God's grace.
- Our family, for protection for our marriage and that Tru and Michael would continue to fall in love with Jesus and be used in their areas of influence.

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# KYLE AND MARGY MERCER

### TWO CITIES CHURCH, WINSTON SALEM, NC



We are in a strong medical city with a good mixture of those who are religiously lost and others who are rebelliously lost. We are hoping that the Wake Forest and other university students are able to come back this fall. The city is growing, and that growth provides the church new opportunities to see gospel transformation happen in the city.

- 1. Our church as we reopen in phases.
- 2. Our ministry to the least and lost in this new normal.
- 3. Our family to grow closer to each other and the Lord.
- 4. Our home to be used for hospitality with our neighbors.

# JASON AND HEATHER MCDANIEL

### TRINITY LIFE CHURCH, DURHAM, NC

Durham is considered a "meds and eds" city, serving as host to some of the top medical and educational centers in the world. There are also constant happenings centered around sports, social life, and food. In many ways, Durham is the perfect place to live, have fun, and raise a family! However, despite so many great things going on, people in Durham still struggle greatly with isolation, anxiety, and depression. Please pray for us as we hold out Christ in such a context.

- 1. Our church to be a multiethnic family of all stages of life that is on mission together with him, for his glory and the good of Durham, the Triangle area, and the world.
- 2. Heather's Lyme disease to continue to recede and that God would bring about full healing for her.
- 3. Our family, that our marriage would thrive amidst church planting and that all five of our kids would grow in the Lord.



# TREVOR AND KEVA ATWOOD

### CITY CHURCH, MURFREESBORO, TN



Murfreesboro is a rapidly growing suburb of Nashville. It is the home of Middle Tennessee State University (over 20K students). Its chief idols are comfort, ease, middle-class lifestyle, tradition, cross-less religion, individuality, politics, control, sex, and money.

#### Pray for:

- 1. A growing desire for God's presence over and above our desire to produce or perform for him.
- 2. Wisdom and love for our elder team, deacons, and staff.
- 3. Increased love and influence among university students.
- 4. Godly people over 50 years of age to come into our midst.
- 5. Our family, for our thirst for his presence and his Word, for a strong and vibrant marriage covenant, for wisdom in parenting, and for Micah, Isaac, and Simon.

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# MIKE AND ASHLEY MCKEE

### IMAGE CHURCH, ATLANTA, GA

Atlanta is an event-driven city that caters to the consumer. Work careers are big idols in our city and drive everything about people here—identity, time, significance, etc. There is an overall low spiritual climate in our city with hard soil that needs tilling. Our church is composed of new Christians, the unchurched, and dechurched. Living missionally, life-onlife relationships, and commitment to a church body are all foreign concepts. This creates a challenging and needy environment.

- 1. Our church to be a disciple-making church family, that God would bring catalytic leaders to our church and nonbelievers to Christ as we launch a new missional initiative.
- 2. Our son, Braxton, that there would be no further complications with his head or brain.
- 3. Our marriage, for Ashley, as a mom and partner in ministry, and for Mike, that he would not try to carry the burdens of our church on his own but surrender them to the Lord in faith.



# SPENCE AND COURTNEY SHELTON

MERCY CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, NC



Charlotte is the 15th largest city in the U.S. and is nestled in the Bible Belt where cultural Christianity is one of the reigning false religions. Charlotte worships status, and while financial and social gains are made to elevate one's status, status is the idol. May God reveal the empty view that waits at the top of this climb.

- A gospel awakening in Charlotte through Mercy that is carried to the ends of the earth.
- 2. Pastors and church planters to be raised up to go out from Mercy.
- 3. Our family, to grow deeper in unity in our marriage and parenting, and for our four kids to grow strong in the Lord.

# LOGAN AND LISA DAGLEY

### PARK SLOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN, NY

NYC is densely populated, diverse, fast-paced, and constantly changing. People here struggle with a drive for power, success, money, and pleasure above God. Our community in particular is young, wealthy, and successful. Park Slope is nicknamed "Park Stroller" due to the high number of young families in the neighborhood.

- Our church to be used to reach the next generation in NYC and that God would open new doors for us to serve the hurting and vulnerable in our community.
- 2. Disciples to be multiplied through our church.
- 3. Our family, that our four kids would thrive living in the city and have good, long-lasting friendships, and that Lisa and I would have healthy rhythms of work and rest.



# CARLOS AND CASSIE LOLLETT

REALITY MIAMI, MIAMI, FL



Miami is a global city where people from all over the world come to live. It is "the Gateway to the Americas," a global banking center, and an international hub for entertainment. There is also great brokenness here—it's one of the most unchurched areas in the US, with 19 percent of its population living below the poverty line. Idols of materialism, power, and sensuality lead people to pursue satisfaction in empty places. Yet the Spirit of God has been making the hearts of Miamians more receptive to the good news of Jesus. It is an incredible season to make disciples.

- Boldness as we proclaim the gospel, courage to display the love of Jesus, favor in our community, perseverance in spiritual assault, and many people to come to know Jesus.
- 2. Wisdom and protection as we navigate conversations about race and the gospel in our home and our community.
- Our family, for our marriage to continue to grow in love and strength, for friends for our daughters, and for them to experience God's joy, presence, and power.

# TERRY-LEE AND ABBY KIRKLAND

### THE OAKS CHURCH, CINCINNATI, OH

Cincinnati is a very religious city. With a German heritage and strong Catholic culture, the church is viewed in a positive way. However, it is a box that most people feel they have checked. Our city has a lot of past and present hurt when it comes to racial divides. We believe that our church is here to build bridges where sin has created division. We have a lot of college students, young professionals, and residents passing through Cincinnati. We are praying that more people would commit to staying and plant their lives here to bring restoration through the gospel.

- 1. A permanent building as a tool for reaching our city and favor with officials and decision-makers in our city.
- 2. Godly leaders to be raised up, and that our church would grow in diversity, many people would place their faith in Christ, and God would enable us to plant another church in our city.
- 3. Our family, that our marriage would be full of joy and centered on Christ, our family would have healthy rhythms of work and rest, and our children would come to know Jesus as Lord.



# LAWRENCE AND JINA YOO

### WAYPOINT CHURCH, DURHAM, NC



Durham is considered a college town, with Duke University and North Carolina Central University. The city has a diverse community with 37 percent of the population African American, 13 percent Hispanic, and 6 percent Asian. Approximately 58 percent of residents listed "none" as their religious affiliation. In addition, the city's poverty and crime statistics have caused many residents to feel rejected, hopeless, lonely, and under-resourced. People in our city need a clear, effective gospel witness in our local community to push back this darkness.

- 1. Our refugee outreach and for the gospel to change lives.
- 2. Unity in our diversity.
- 3. Good stewardship of our time and resources.
- 4. Education for our son on the spectrum.

# CORBIN AND ALLIE HOBBS

### THE HEIGHTS CHURCH, DENVER, CO

The Heights is located in East Downtown Denver. We do ministry in a pretty urban environment. A very small percentage of our neighbors would consider themselves "religious" and even fewer "Christian." We are in a post-Christian culture. The chief idols of Denver are recreation and autonomy. The people of Denver love recreation in the mountains and place a high value on a commitment-less lifestyle.

- 1. A culture of prayer and dependence, and that God would raise up leaders at the Heights.
- 2. Our family, for endurance and perseverance in ministry.
- 3. Our emotional health, both in our family and the families of our staff.



# CHUCK AND YOLANDA REED

### REBUILD FELLOWSHIP, DURHAM, NC



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- 1. Unity (Psalm 133), love (John 13:34–35), service (Mark 10:45), and prayer (Isaiah 56:7).
- 2. Us to be an "abiding in Christ" family (John 15).

# ERIC AND KELLY HOVIS

### NEW CITY CHURCH, TAMPA, FL

The greater Tampa area is ethnically and economically diverse with beaches, sports, and Disney close by, all fighting for the attention of our city. Many people move to the Tampa Bay area for entertainment, which often spills over into the church. Please pray that our church would be effective in declaring and displaying the gospel as our greatest need.

- 1. Our church, for marriages and families to be restored, college students at the University of South Florida to be reached and mobilized, and true, authentic biblical community in our church.
- Our marriage, that we would grow in our love for Jesus and each other, and that we would grow in our effectiveness to reach our friends and neighbors together.
- 3. Our children, for the salvation of our young kids, Addie, Stockton, and Millie, and that they would grow up to love Jesus, his Word, and the church all of their days.



# KIVETT AND HILARY HICKS

### SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH, WINSTON SALEM, NC



Winston-Salem is a city that has great potential for gospel expansion, and we're excited to see God working around us. One of the greatest hurdles for our context is the traditional religious practices and stigmas that hinder people from experiencing the freedom of life that is found in Jesus.

- 1. God to use our church to saturate our city with the gospel.
- 2. Unity in our church as we work on long-term plans.
- 3. Our kids to come to know Jesus.
- 4. Our family to navigate changing seasons with patience and grace.

# FREDDY T. AND SUSAN WYATT

### REAL LIFE SANGO, CLARKSVILLE, TN

Clarksville, Tennessee, is located in Northern Middle Tennessee and was ranked as the number one place to live in America by Money Magazine in 2019. The city is most commonly known for its proximity to Fort Campbell Army base, Austin Peay State University, and Nashville. The city is experiencing a season of rapid growth and is expected to add 90,000 new residents over the next 20 years. Real Life Sango gathers at a school in the Sango neighborhood of Clarksville. Some of the chief idols our city experiences are travel sports, self, and convenience.

- 1. Favor with the school in which we meet.
- 2. Our church family to be a flourishing people who delight in God and a disciple-making movement that begins in Sango and spreads to the ends of the earth.
- 3. Our family, for a flourishing marriage, our kids to love and trust Jesus deeply, and our little girl, Lillie, with dyslexia challenges.



# JOHN AND LAURA MCGOWAN

### RESTORATION CITY CHURCH, ARLINGTON, VA



Restoration City Church is located in Arlington, Virginia, just outside of Washington D.C. Our immediate neighborhood is home to many of our city's and nation's leaders and is now home to Amazon's HQ2. It's a city focused on power, influence, success, and importance, yet there is a tremendous opportunity for the Lord to use this city for good around the world.

- Our church to live out our calling in the Washington D.C. Metro area to see people restored by Jesus, in community, and for mission.
- 2. Neighborhood transformation for Christ by being active in our local community.
- 3. Our family, that the church would be an overflow of a healthy family and marriage, as opposed to the church being strong but our family struggling.

# MATT AND APRIL DEAN

### GRACE AUBURN, AUBURN, AL

Auburn is a diverse university town with 80+ nations represented. This means there is a huge missional opportunity to reach students on the campus and mobilize them to the nations. Like any college town, there are so many distractions from the gospel. Though it is a small town, Auburn has huge Great Commission potential.

- Wisdom as we seek to serve the city, campus, and many nations present in our community.
- 2. Humility as we serve alongside other local churches.
- 3. April and me to remain focused first on our relationship with Christ and one another as we raise our children to know and love him.
- 4. Rest and peace as we labor hard to establish a healthy church and gospel communities.



# WILL AND REBEKAH MCGEE

### CROSSROADS CHRISTIAN CHURCH, BROOKLYN, NY



New Yorkers possess a drive and tenacity unlike anywhere else. Everyone is hustling and trying to make a life for themselves. While this leads New York to be great in so many ways, it also leaves many overworked and burned out. New York also possesses an abundance of entertainment and cultural options. However, this often leads New Yorkers to overindulgence or a tendency to numb themselves from asking the deep questions of the soul. Many are distracted from spiritual things.

#### Pray for:

- A permanent facility that we can purchase in the near future. (Real estate costs in Brooklyn are very expensive, and this prayer seems impossible for our church).
- 2. Our church to not be apathetic toward spiritual growth and for God to give us a greater desire to know Christ and make him known in our city.
- 3. Our oldest son, who has developmental disabilities and special needs, that we would be filled with grace, patience, and wisdom as we navigate the challenges of special needs in the city.

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# BRYAN AND MEGAN BARLEY

### THE SUMMIT CHURCH, DENVER, CO

Denver is a growing city whose population is mainly young urban professionals. We do ministry in a pretty urban environment. A very small percentage of our neighbors would consider themselves "religious" and even fewer "Christian." We are in a Post-Christian culture. The chief idols of Denver are recreation and autonomy. The people of Denver love recreation in the mountains and place a high value on a commitment-less lifestyle.

- Us to be a presence of good and reconciliation within our neighborhood.
- 2. Us to continue to plant churches that can reach the different communities within our city.
- 3. Our children to grow to love Jesus and thrive in their faith despite the challenges of being in a pastor's family.
- 4. The continued health of our marriage.



# BRANDON AND EMILY SHIELDS

### SOMA CHURCH MIDTOWN, INDIANAPOLIS, IN



Indianapolis, like many urban centers in the Midwest, is a beautiful city with a complex past. We have a stable economy with elite educational opportunities and stable neighborhoods, and yet because of our ugly history of racism and segregation, those opportunities are not available for everyone. The Holy Spirit is at work in powerful ways through the body of Christ in our city, and we are praying for renewal and revival to break out here in our generation.

- Wisdom and endurance for our leadership team as we make decisions regarding the global pandemic and justice and reconciliation in our community.
- 2. Us to have a desire for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and to find creative ways to equip our people to live out the fullness of his gifts in ways that build up our church and city.
- Our children and for us as we enter a new developmental season with them.

# ANDREW AND ANNA HOPPER

### MERCY HILL CHURCH, GREENSBORO, NC

Mercy Hill is located in the Piedmont Triad region of North Carolina, reaching people in the cities of High Point, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem. This area sits comfortably in the Bible Belt of the South, where people have gotten just enough Jesus in their lives to think they know him, when in reality they've likely never heard the true gospel message. We often see Jesus confronting people to sacrifice their pursuit of convenience and success in order to follow him.

- 1. Us to be a church that raises up disciples who are not simply spectators but servants participating in God's mission.
- One hundred churches to be planted out of Mercy Hill in this next generation and that we would continue to be open-handed in sending our best to reach the lost.
- Our daughter, Faith Ann, who is looking at a lifetime of difficult health issues. Pray that the Lord would heal her according to his will and ultimately use her life for his glory.
- 4. Strength, endurance, and wisdom for Andrew in the task of leading Mercy Hill.



# RYAN AND TRICIA MCCAMMACK

### GOSPEL HOPE CHURCH, ATLANTA, GA

In many ways the healthy economy of Atlanta is a blessing, but because success is attainable for many, it can make it seem like a relationship with the Lord is a bonus, not an essential. Cultural Christianity is dangerous because it tempts people to believe that simply because they have been exposed to the church that they have a vital relationship with Christ.

- An ability to effectively serve our neighbors, to both proclaim the gospel in word and substantiate the gospel with deeds.
- 2. Our children, that God would help my wife and me to faithfully disciple our children.



### DWAYNE AND KELSEY GIBBS

#### THE DISTRICT CHURCH, INDIANAPOLIS, IN



Indianapolis is a thriving city with new people moving here every day. As the city grows, we are quickly seeing a post-Christian and post-church culture creating a lifestyle with religiosity in their rearview. This provides fertile soil for gospel-centered churches to be planted, not with the purpose of preaching distinctives but with the opportunity to preach the basics of our faith, rooted in the person and work of Jesus Christ revealed from the Bible.

- 1. Missionaries to be developed within our church to seek the welfare of our city in the specific neighborhoods where our members live.
- 2. The continual growth of our boys, that they would see and treasure Christ.
- 3. Our neighbors, that our family would be a bridge to seeing transformation in our community for the sake of Jesus.

### JOHN AND HANNAH ALLEN

#### RISEN CHURCH, VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

Virginia Beach is a military and tourism city with a core group of locals and a large revolving door of transients. Fear and insecurity plague many who are constantly jostling for position and status and/or actual rank. Much of the city is only here for a few years, and they live in survival mode until they can go back home or move on to a new military assignment.

- Supernatural favor as individuals in our city and our church as we share the gospel and invite others to experience his grace with us.
- 2. The health and salvation of our three children, Asher, Adrielle, and Selah.
- 3. Our family, that we would love Jesus and his church, and never view God's calling on our family with bitterness or resentment but rather as a joyful honor and privilege.



### JASON AND LORI ADAMS-BROWN

#### WEST COAST



Jason serves as the West Coast director for Global Gates and focuses on church planting among unreached people groups (UPGs). Jason will be developing partnerships with local churches to develop strategies to gain access among the many immigrant and refugee communities throughout the West Coast. He will be training local Christians in evangelism, discipleship, and church planting.

- Churches to respond in love to the massive influx of Afghans in the San Francisco Bay Area that are expected in the coming years.
- 2. Churches all along the West Coast to catch a vision for how they can be a part of seeing his kingdom come among the UPGs in their area.
- 3. Global Gates to be able to recruit, train, and coach a missions team for every UPG among the cities of the West Coast.

### JUAN AND REBECA CHAVEZ\*

#### METRO NEW YORK, USA

In 2020, we moved to the Metro New York area to work with a team who focuses on planting churches among Central Asian people groups. We live in a community where the majority of people are from Central Asian origin. We engage the community through teaching ESL, leading Bible studies, and training other believers in how to engage unreached people groups with the gospel.

- New friendships with people in the community who are seeking to know about Jesus.
- The Bible studies we are currently leading, that we would see even one convert and that God would use that first disciple to lead others to Christ.
- 3. Protection against spiritual warfare, especially while ministering in such a spiritually dark community.
- 4. More opportunities and boldness to share the gospel with everyone we meet.

### RYAN AND ALYSSA DAVIS

#### GLOBAL



Our family serves with Wycliffe Bible Translators helping to get God's Word to those who are still waiting to hear it in the language that speaks to their hearts! We believe Bible translation is foundational to any type of mission, including evangelism, church planting, and discipleship. We both work for Wycliffe's central office, helping translators throughout the world bring God's Word to people who don't have access to it.

- Bible-less people around the world to receive God's Word in a language that speaks to their heart.
- 2. The Bible translation projects we serve to be able to clearly and accurately translate God's Word for those who are still waiting.
- 3. Our family to keep God first, our marriage and children second, and ministry third.



## SOUTH ASIA



Countries: 8

Population: 1.8 billion

**Unreached People Groups: 3,481** 

Number of Unreached People: 1.7 billion

## CASH AND KIERA MERCER WITH KADE AND CHLOE\*

SOUTH ASIA



We serve among a largely unreached and unengaged Muslim population of South Asia. Currently we spend the majority of our time learning the language and culture. Our ultimate goal, once we have the language and cultural knowledge to do it, will be proclaiming the gospel and training existing believers to make disciples and plant churches.

- 1. Us to rely on the Spirit in everything we do.
- 2. Us as we learn the language, that we would have perseverance and patience, but that we would also learn it quickly.
- 3. The Lord to not only prepare the harvest but also send more laborers to the harvest field.

## B, M, L, AND E\*

#### PAKISTAN

Our ministry focuses on the Punjab province. About half of the country's 225 million population live in this province, and 98 percent are Muslim. There are very few workers focused on this part of the country. Outside of individual evangelism, our biggest focus is on training and equipping local believers to reach their Muslim communities until there is no place left that the good news has not been preached.

- Diligence in learning Urdu, that we would be capable of sharing, training, and equipping others in this language.
- 2. Our kids to adjust well and gain friendships.
- 3. Us to be able to secure long-term visas.

### BRETT

#### SOUTH ASIA

I am serving in a large city in South Asia. Life is very busy here, and people often have very little time or chance to hear about Jesus. Half of my city's population live in various slums that are scattered throughout different parts of the city. I work with a team that seeks to plant self-multiplying and disciple-making churches in every slum within my city. So many of the people in my city spend the days of their life praying to gods that do not hear their cries for help and too often will die having never heard the good news of Jesus Christ.

- More opportunities to share with people who have never heard of Jesus.
- 2. More national believers to choose to come alongside us to reach all people groups in our city and our country.
- Our team to be devoted to prayer and to abide in the Word every day.
   Pray that our work here will be done through the guidance of the Holy
   Spirit.



## TRENT MARSHALL

#### SOUTH ASIA



I graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill in 2020 and was a part of the Chapel Hill campus throughout my years in college. After graduating, I moved to South Asia at the beginning of 2021 with the hope of serving the church and sharing the gospel here. I live in a megacity with a population of over 20 million people. Our team is focused on reaching college students, young professionals, and artists with the good news.

We want to see no place left unreached in our city, and we believe this is possible through empowering local believers and churches to take the message forward.

- 1. Me to abide deeply, being filled with his Word and his Spirit daily.
- 2. Moment-by-moment submission to the Holy Spirit and that he would lead our team.
- 3. The church in my city to be active in sharing the gospel boldly and often.
- 4. College students, young professionals, and artists in my city to be transformed by the gospel.

## CRAIG AND DANIELLE

#### SOUTH ASIA



Our family has been living and serving in South Asia since 2011. We live in the heart of our country in an urban setting and seek to mobilize gospel advancement throughout the urban center we live in as well as across the many rural areas in our state. Praise God there is a small percentage of Christ-followers in our city, state, and country. Our aim

and vision is to come alongside that small percentage to equip, empower, and encourage with simple tools that will help them be soul-winners and disciples who make disciples, raising up leaders and planting churches.

- 1. The work we have been doing with local believers to make videos that go along with our training process in sharing the gospel. Pray that many would repent and surrender their lives to Jesus through this.
- 2. The church to be emboldened together as men and women and that the Lord would continue to bring husbands and wives, sisters and brothers together in the task (which is a huge deal in a patriarchal and male-dominated society).
- 3. Opportunities to come alongside pastors and church planters to train them, their churches, and their networks in how God wants to use them.

## VALORIE

#### SOUTH ASIA



I am a recent UNC graduate working with college students and young professionals in a major city in South Asia for two years. I am involved in sharing the gospel and, Lord willing, reading the Bible with lost people here. I also partner with local believers, hoping to see them equipped to be disciple-makers who will reach the lost around them with the gospel.

- 1. A deep, joy-filled, abiding relationship with the Father and a continual burden for the lost to sustain me.
- 2. Progress in language learning so I can communicate with people in their heart language.
- 3. Local believers to embrace their personal role in the Great Commission.

## JESSE AND SHANEE WITH JOYA, GUS, AND LUCI

SOUTH ASIA



We have lived and served in South Asia since 2005. We currently lead the church planting team for one of the largest cities in the region. The team works to multiply churches among those in slums, Muslims, college students and professionals, and unreached peoples in and around the city. The goal is that the churches in these segments would take ownership of the Great Commission for themselves, planting churches locally and sending planters around the world.

- Our whole team (Americans and South Asians) to be filled with the Spirit and that the Word of Christ would dwell in us richly as we abide in Christ daily.
- 2. Gospel breakthroughs among some of the hard-to-reach people in the city: upper-class English-speakers and Muslims.
- Churches in Mumbai to seize apparent obstacles (lockdown, increased persecution, high building and rental costs) as opportunities for gospel expansion and kingdom growth.
- 4. Our 30-year vision for planting 10,000 churches in the city by the time it becomes the largest in the world in 2050.

## ASHLEY M.

#### SOUTH ASIA



I serve on the field in South Asia alongside a team (made up of Americans and South Asians) that focuses on reaching people in the slum communities and red-light areas of the city where I live. This looks like sharing the gospel in these areas, training local believers in evangelism and discipleship, and planting churches.

- 1. Growth in my language skills, as I continue to learn how to communicate clearly and correctly in the local language.
- 2. Time management and that what I learn in seminary classes would be beneficial to my ministry.
- 3. The Lord to use my team to plant churches in and near the slums and red-light areas, and that many people would come to faith and grow as disciples who make disciples.

## SAMANTHA

#### SOUTH ASIA

I have been serving in a megacity in South Asia for the past seven years. I lead a team that focuses on urban church planting in the slum communities and redlight areas of my city. My team wants to see local people trained and equipped to plant multiplying churches and raise up leaders across every slum of the city. We



also work to see women in the red-light areas of the city know Jesus and become disciple-making disciples.

- 1. Our Father to be near to each of our teammates (both American and South Asian), that he would hold us fast to him, fixing our eyes and hearts on him alone as we run this race he's set before us.
- 2. The Lord to touch the hearts of many lost people in the slums and red-light areas of our city, that he would bring many, many people to life through faith in the Son who loves them and gave himself up for them!
- 3. God to bring more local people he's gifted for the work to our team and whom we can train and equip in disciple-making and church planting.

## SYDNEY

#### SOUTH ASIA

Since 2019 I have been living and serving in a large urban city in South Asia. Together with my team, we serve almost our entire state of over 124 million people, including over 50 unreached, unengaged people groups (UUPGs). Our goal is to see every people group and every village in our state reached with the gospel. We



do this by partnering with local believers, training them to understand God's vision for the nations (Revelation 7:9), and giving them tools and walking alongside them to help them see this vision come to life in their area!

- 1. Faithful, available, and teachable national partners to join us in this work.
- 2. The Marathi Jains, one of the largest UUPGs in our state, that this people group, who have been historically difficult to reach, would have open ears to the gospel.
- 3. The Vidarbha region of our state, that the believers in this region, which has historically experienced a lot of persecution, would be encouraged and would boldly take the gospel far and wide.
- 4. More laborers, whether nationals or expats, long-term, mid-term, or short-term (the harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few).

## JULIE

#### SOUTH ASIA



I have been living in one of South Asia's megacities since 2012. I am currently serving on a team engaging students and young professionals in the middle of the greatest concentration of lostness on the planet. This local team longs to see a movement of multiplying disciples and churches across South Asia as they engage these influencers with the hope of the gospel.

- 1. The aftermath of the pandemic, which has hit South Asia hard. Pray that it would continue to open doors for the gospel and that it has tilled the hard soil and opened people's hearts to God's love and care for them.
- 2. The local church. Though it is small in number, it is great in faith. Pray that God would give local believers here boldness and open doors to make disciples, and that the church would flourish.
- 3. More laborers to join us in the cities of South Asia.

## **JACKSON**

#### SOUTH ASIA

My name is Jackson, and I am serving in a mid-sized city in South Asia. My work is both in the urban area of my city and in the surrounding villages areas of my state. I partner with local churches and pastors to train and come alongside local brothers and sisters to share the gospel and disciple new believers. I also travel around my state alongside local brothers and sisters to train gatherings of believers on discipleship, evangelism, and leadership development tools.

- Local brothers and sisters to take more and more ownership of the task to reach their nations with the gospel.
- 2. Me to joyfully abide in Christ every day.
- 3. The 30 remaining unreached, unengaged people groups in our state with a population over 10,000, that they would hear the gospel, repent, and believe.



## TASHA

#### SOUTH ASIA

I first served among university students in Eastern Europe for several years then returned to the States to work on a master's degree in counseling. While working on my degree I became part of the Summit family. In 2015 I moved to a megacity in South Asia to work mainly in villages outside of the city among people who know little to nothing about Jesus. My national partners and I have the overwhelming privilege of witnessing our villagers hear the gospel for the first time.

- 1. The villagers, particularly that entire families would come to faith together.
- 2. More laborers, both expat and national. (Our team is responsible for around 90 million people, who are less than 1 percent Christian.)
- 3. Perseverance in a difficult location, as our region has not been kind to my health.



## K. SNOW

#### SOUTH ASIA

In April of 2021 I moved to a large city in South Asia where I'm working among Muslims. We are working with a local group of believers to help them become a healthy fellowship, training other local fellowships in how they can best share Jesus with others, and working to start some sewing and tutoring centers to gain access into some new communities. We are seeking to "admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, and be patient with them all," as 1 Thessalonians 5:14 says.

#### Pray for:

- The Lord to provide some national women to come alongside me and be ambassadors of the gospel among Muslim people in my new city.
- 2. Me to daily abide in prayer and the Word, that I would treasure Christ above all so that all I do may be out of an overflow of my own walk with the Lord.
- 3. Wisdom and the Holy Spirit's leading as I help some nationals start lo-



cal teaching centers as an opportunity for entry into some new areas.

## HUNTER MOORE

#### SOUTH ASIA

I work in a region in India with 30 unreached people groups. I share the gospel with a largely unreached Muslim population as well as help with trainings for local believers. I also aim to partner with the local church in hopes to mobilize them to engage in this work.

- Me to continually find joy in the presence of the Lord and that my time in the Word and in prayer would be my sustenance.
- 2. Me to learn language quickly so that I would be able to clearly explain the gospel to nationals in their language.
- 3. Me to serve my teammates and the nationals that I will be around with the love of Christ.



## RACHEL

#### SOUTH ASIA

I moved to South Asia in 2015. I'm a trained facilitator in healing wounds of trauma and took part in the Global Trauma Healing Institute in 2020 to 2021. During COVID, I facilitated several online healing groups. I also presented a mental health seminar to a group of women and seminary students as well as a basic counseling seminar to a group of ministry families. I pray regularly for integrity among church leaders, for them to be equipped to counsel their families and flocks. I hope to see lay leaders grow in understanding wounds of the heart and how to walk with others through hardship well, and I desire to see families healed and saved from cycles of generational sins.

- 1. Integrity among leaders and for them to grow in their ability to counsel their families and their flocks well.
- 2. The Father to raise up lay counselors in the South Asian church.
- 3. God to heal and save families from cycles of generational sins.
- 4. Proverbs 3:5-6 as I seek the Father's continued leadership.



## SOUTHEAST ASIA



Countries: 11

Population: 660 million

**Unreached People Groups: 701** 

Number of Unreached People: 328 million

## RICK AND SHANNA STOVER WITH LYDIA, ETHAN, LUKE, AND ELISE

#### THAILAND

In July 2021 we moved to Bangkok, Thailand, to begin a new assignment with the IMB. Our primary focus is to share the gospel and build healthy disciples among the nine million ethnic Chinese people living in Thailand, as well as the many Chinese who visit Thailand each year. We are involved in several projects including free Bible distribution to Chinese tourists, college student ministry, and felt-needs gospel ministry to those living in underserved communities.

- Grace and wisdom as we continue to transition to life and ministry in a new country.
- 2. Our children, that the kids would have a smooth transition, especially Lydia and Ethan as they will be starting school at an international school for the first time ever.
- 3. Each one of us to make a good friend with whom we can build a relationship and share the gospel.
- 4. Our language learning, that we would quickly learn the language and culture so that we can better minister to those around us.



# CRAIG AND ROSE EMERICK, WITH WILLIAM, MADELINE, CHLOE, AND JONATHAN

#### MALAYSIA



We live with our four children in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, where Craig works for a multinational company and our children attend a nearby international school. We have been ministering to locals and internationals from various religious backgrounds in our community, sharing with and discipling through meals, sports, Bible

studies, home fellowship, and prayer meetings. This year we are excited to be joining in a new effort to plant a church in our community.

- God to prepare the hearts and minds of those in the community who will be a part of this church plant. Pray that God will establish a thriving local church through this endeavor.
- 2. Our family to be equipped to step into the role(s) God has for us in this church plant and that we would adjust well to the changes it brings for our family.
- 3. The seeds sown and watered through our different ministry efforts to grow and multiply for God's glory.

## MILES AND ERIN MACLEOD WITH BROOKLYNN, OLIVE, AND QUINCY

#### SOUTHEAST ASIA



We have been in Southeast Asia for three years. Our full-time ministry is at an international school, where 23 nations and various faith backgrounds are represented in a student body of just over 200 students. We also lead or participate in a wom-

en's Bible study for believing and unbelieving mothers, an international small group, a local youth group, and various local ministries that support the most vulnerable populations in our community through physical and spiritual support and development.

- Our international school to be an example of Christ in a nation where less than 5 percent of the population is Christian.
- God to open doors in our community for relationships to form and the gospel to spread.
- 3. Our church, which lost almost all of our employed staff (including our pastor) due to visa complications during COVID. Pray that the church's leadership will have discernment in what steps to take next.

## THOMAS AND GWEN

#### INDONESIA

We are a family of five serving among an unreached people group of four million. Our three children are ages five, four, and two. We live on an island of predominantly Hindu peoples, but there are workers and visitors from all across the country.



This provides an opportunity for us to engage multiple people groups in our area. We just arrived on our island in the middle of 2021. We want to spend the next few months building a team to engage the island.

- 1. Team development, that the Lord would build partnerships with local believers who have a heart to see many come to know him.
- 2. Direction in big decisions, including ministry direction, where to live, how to build our team, and where to focus our efforts on the island.
- 3. Our family, as we will be homeschooling our children. Pray that we would also adjust well to our new location.

## EVAN AND EVA

#### SINGAPORE



In 2016 Eva was sent from Summit to serve in Singapore. She works hard to serve via workplace ministry, street evangelizing, and mobilizing the church. In 2020 Eva married Evan, who serves as a photographer with Operation Mobilization. Pre-COVID, Evan served by capturing God's stories in different countries, mainly in Asia. As traveling started to be restricted due to COVID, he started a global photog-

raphy program to build up local talent in the different countries so that they can still capture quality stories of how God is working.

- 1. Our marriage and our journey as we look to grow our family via adoption.
- 2. Evan to be able to get a permanent resident visa so that he will be allowed to travel for his ministry and return home to Eva.
- 3. Eva to have endurance and wisdom as she continues to serve in Singapore and starts her master's in theology and ministry at Fuller Seminary this year.

## MATT AND LIV WITH ELIZA AND RAYA

#### SOUTHEAST ASIA



We are a young couple that senses that our Father desires to use us in Southeast Asia. We are so happy he has called us. We primarily focus on helping believers share the good news and disciple others.

- 1. Our transition, as we will be moving to a new city in 2022, which means new friends, focus, house, traditions, tribe, and all the other new things.
- 2. Us to not be discouraged by the need (six million people live in the province with traditionally very little fruit). Pray that God would send more laborers.
- 3. Our marriage to remain strong and for our family to be close as we need to spend a lot of time apart.

## CARRIE LEWIS

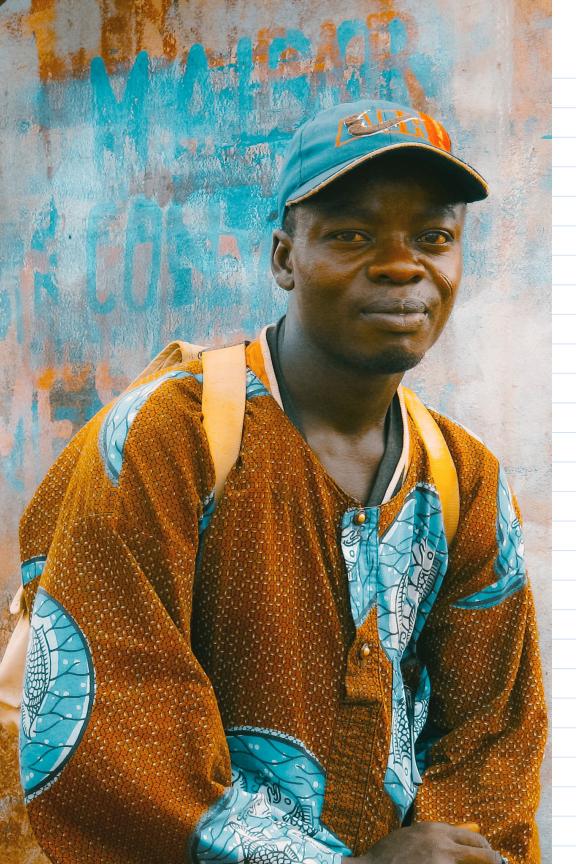
#### THAILAND



Carrie lives in Chiang Mai, Thailand, and does evangelism and discipleship with college students at a local university. Through eating meals together, studying English, and having fun events, she and her team build relationships with the students and begin sharing with them. When a student becomes a Christian, he or she is discipled and has a supportive community of believers ready to help them grow in their faith.

- 1. God to help me connect with new students and build relationships with them.
- 2. The young believers to be established and learn how to share with their friends.
- Leaders to be raised up in Chiang Mai and that the staff team and directors will eventually be completely made up of Thais.





## SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA



Countries: 45

Population: 910 million

**Unreached People Groups: 2,276** 

Number of Unreached People: 175 million

## KURT AND JANNA KAY HOLIDAY

#### JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA



We moved to Johannesburg, South Africa, in 2000. Before that Kurt served as the student pastor at Homestead Heights Baptist Church. We are honored and blessed to live and serve in one of the most exciting and challenging cities in the world. In and around Johannesburg we have over 300 languages spoken each day.

- 1. Our transition into this new season of being empty nesters.
- 2. Churches in each of the seven regions to join the prayer initiative we are leading in Johannesburg.
- 3. A leading from the Spirit more often and more clearly as we go about daily ministry in this gospel-starved city.
- 4. More opportunities for Janna Kay to disciple young women in our church as well as in our city.

# RUSS AND MARY THROCKMORTON WITH SILAS, ELI, AND JUDAH

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA



In January 2021 our family moved to Cape Town, South Africa, to work with Athletes in Action. We serve and resource the staff in hopes of laying a foundation for years to come. As a team, we focus our efforts on varsity coaches and athletes at two local universities. We have a three-pronged strategy—win, build, and send—winning through sharing the gospel, building through making disciples who make disciples, and sending through commissioning them back to the campus, community, and world for Christ.

- Disciples who make disciples to be raised up and sent out to the nations.
- 2. Us to transition well to a new culture and way of life in South Africa.
- 3. Our fellow staff to become fully equipped to lead for years to come.
- 4. Guidance and wholeness for our family in our time overseas.

# TRENT AND AMBER EAYRS WITH EMIE, ESTON, AND LINCOLN

#### SOUTH AFRICA

Our family ministers in Kloof, Durban, South Africa. Trent is the senior pastor at Kloof Baptist Church with a particular passion for church planting, discipleship, and pastoral training. Amber is involved with children's ministry and outreach events to the community.

- 1. Our family as we strive to impact the community for the gospel.
- 2. Continued protection, as life in South Africa can be unsafe.
- 3. Our children to grow in their relationship with the Lord.



## STEVE AND PAT OSTERGAARD

#### TIGONI, KENYA



Working through Freedom Global, we disciple the teachers, staff, and fellow team members at Uhuru Girl's School, Freedom Football Ministry, and Freedom Farm. We also run a food bank, feeding over 100 families every month. We have Bible studies at the school, farm, and local villages, and have led over 30 children and adults to Christ—baptizing 17 in 2020.

- 1. The farm to become profitable this year.
- 2. The staff and students at Uhuru School, that they would continue in the Spirit of God and work faithfully in all they do.
- 3. Improvement in our language learning so that we may better reach the older generations.

## JEFF AND BROOKE SCHAP WITH MERRITT

#### JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA



We serve in Tigoni, Kenya, under Freedom Global. We both work on the discipleship team. Brooke helps with scholarships and marketing for Uhuru Academy. Jeff runs a soccer ministry for men on the streets in our local town.

- 1. Our transition into our new organization, Serge, in 2022 and that we would be able to find purpose and joy in Christ in our new roles.
- 2. Us to be led by the spirit daily and not get caught up in being busy or too task-oriented.
- 3. Our daughter, Merritt, to come to know Jesus as her personal savior and surrender her life to him.

## ELLERY WALKER

#### SOUTH AFRICA

After completing graduate school at UNC-Chapel Hill, I moved to Cape Town, South Africa, in July 2021 to work as a master planning fellow for Engineering Ministries International (EMI). As a member of EMI's South Africa office. I work on projects both in South Africa and the surrounding southern African countries. I consider it a great privilege to be able to use my skills and abilities to be part of planning, designing, and



building a healthier world—to be part of bringing glimpses of heaven down to earth.

- 1. Me to transition well to life in Cape Town.
- 2. Rest, hope, and joy in the Lord, and that I would be able to connect with a strong community of local believers.
- 3. The beneficiaries of EMI's projects and the work of EMI's partner ministries, that as their physical needs are met, they will hear the gospel and come to know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.





