



**MISSIONARY
PRAYER & PRAISE
MAY 2026**



SHADOW MOUNTAIN
MISSIONS

□ **Dan & Claudia Aanderud, WDO, Germany**

Dan and Claudia Aanderud thank supporters for their partnership in their church planting ministry in Hamburg, Germany. Dan's knee replacement surgery went well, and he is now recovering. They are using the Easter season as an opportunity to share the Gospel and are praying for non-Christian friends to engage in Bible study.

- Praise – Successful knee replacement surgery and ongoing recovery.
- Praise – Opportunities to share the Gospel during the Easter season.
- Pray – For non-Christian friends to hear and respond to the Easter message.
- Pray – For more opportunities to reach and witness to young people in Hamburg.

□ **RJ & Janessa Borja, Ethnos360, Brazil**

RJ and Janessa Borja share an update from their ministry in Brazil, highlighting their time of fellowship with fellow missionaries and preparation for the arrival of their baby girl, Jubilee. Janessa's health has improved, and they are nearing delivery while navigating logistical challenges due to distance from the hospital. The ministry continues through village outreach, support of indigenous Bible training, and partnerships with other missionaries, with growing opportunities to spread the Gospel.

- Praise – Janessa's health has improved, and they feel well cared for by their doctor.
- Praise – Continued ministry opportunities, including indigenous believers attending Bible school and RJ sharing with a new church.
- Pray – Safe delivery of their baby girl and smooth travel to the hospital when labor begins.
- Pray – Strength, provision, and continued faithfulness for their team and fellow missionaries (including pilots, Russ and Becky, and those serving in villages).

□ **Kevin & Rachel Brandt, MAF-Indonesia**

The Brandt family shares updates from Indonesia, describing their work supporting Bible translation teams in remote mountain regions by organizing and delivering large-scale supply shipments via helicopter. They also highlight God's provision in securing a new office space much closer to the relocated airport, which will greatly improve flight operations. Additionally, they are beginning plans for their upcoming furlough in Oregon and California.

- Praise – God provided generous and timely provision through local relationships, including discounts and logistical help in purchasing and delivering supplies to remote translation teams.
- Praise – A new office space was provided near the new airport, greatly improving efficiency and future ministry operations.
- Pray – For wisdom and smooth planning as they prepare for their upcoming furlough in Oregon and California.
- Pray – For continued effectiveness, safety, and coordination in serving remote Bible translation teams and managing flight operations in Papua.

□ **Craig & Julie Breuninger, OC, Int'l, US**

The Breuningers have been in a season of settling in Indiana after years of travel, focusing on local community, family, and seeking God's direction for future ministry. Julie is currently recovering from spine surgery, and new ministry opportunities are opening up for 2026, including travel and teaching.

- Praise – They have built meaningful relationships and ministry opportunities within their local community.
- Praise – New ministry doors are opening for 2026, including trips and opportunities to serve.
- Pray – For Julie's full recovery and healing from her recent spine surgery.
- Pray – For guidance, strength, and effectiveness in their upcoming travel and ministry opportunities.

□ **Jon Breuninger, SEND, Alaska**

Jon Breuninger shares an update from Kodiak, Alaska, highlighting a recent 1300-mile trip to visit students and their families in remote communities. He is encouraged by opportunities to connect, disciple, and invest in youth through school chapels, youth group, and everyday interactions. His ministry continues to focus on guiding students toward Christ, preparing for summer programs, and building a strong team of adult leaders.

- Praise – Meaningful and successful trip visiting students in remote communities.
- Praise – Ongoing opportunities to disciple youth through youth group, chapel, and daily interactions.
- Pray – For students to grow in their faith, feel God’s love, and make Christ-centered decisions (especially graduating seniors).
- Pray – For provision of leaders, staff, and resources for youth ministry and upcoming summer programs.

□ **Ben & Kristiana Buckman, PSS, Brazil**

Ben and Kristiana Buckman share a joyful update from Brazil’s Indigenous Peoples Day celebration at the Canaã Bible School in Pimenta Bueno. The day included baptisms in a natural spring, Indigenous cultural celebrations, meals with the community, and a closing communion service. Several students publicly professed faith through baptism, and the family participated fully in worship and cultural activities alongside students from multiple tribal groups.

- Praise – Multiple students were baptized, publicly declaring their faith in Christ during a meaningful celebration.
- Praise – A rich time of fellowship and worship took place, blending cultural celebration with spiritual milestones, including communion and community gathering.
- Pray – For continued spiritual growth and discipleship of the newly baptized students from diverse tribal backgrounds.

- Pray – For wisdom and strength for the Buckman family as they continue serving in cross-cultural ministry among Indigenous communities.

□ **CAPS, San Diego**

CAPS shares a prayer update highlighting how God is working in the lives of patients facing pregnancy-related challenges. Many women are dealing with miscarriage, unplanned pregnancies, and difficult decisions, and CAPS is providing support, care, and hope. They are calling for prayer for emotional healing, healthy pregnancies, life-affirming choices, and spiritual transformation.

- Praise – God is actively stirring hearts and working through the ministry of CAPS.
- Praise – Ongoing opportunities to support and care for women through resources, counseling, and community.
- Pray – For women to choose life, experience emotional healing, and have healthy pregnancies and babies.
- Pray – For salvation, strong support systems, and openness to receive help and truth, as well as for leaders to support pro-life efforts.

□ **Ed & Dana Dickinson, OM, Israel**

Ed and Dana Dickinson share an update from Haifa, Israel, during ongoing conflict with Iran. While celebrating Easter, they took shelter during a missile alert and later learned a nearby residential building was struck, resulting in casualties. Despite the danger, they experienced God's protection and moments of worship and witness in the shelter. They also share personal updates, including Ed dealing with shingles and Dana completing her master's degree, while continuing ministry amid the challenges of war.

- Praise – God's protection and safety during missile attacks and travel.
- Praise – Dana successfully completing her master's degree in Biblical Studies.

- Pray – For peace, protection, and wisdom amid ongoing conflict, and for healing and unity in the community.
- Pray – For Ed’s healing from shingles and strength to continue ministry during stressful conditions.

□ **Rodney & Tammi Dyrud, MAF, Idaho**

Rodney and Tammi Dyrud are requesting prayer for Rodney’s sister, Roxane, who is currently back in the hospital after ongoing struggles following postpartum depression. While medication has provided some help, she continues to face serious mental and physical health challenges, and the situation has been very difficult for her family.

- Praise – Medical care and medication have provided some level of support and stability
- Praise – Family is actively caring for her and seeking help through prayer and treatment
- Pray – For miraculous healing and restoration of Roxane’s mental and physical health
- Pray – For strength, peace, and endurance for her family during this ongoing struggle

□ **Jesus & Maria Gonzalez, Avant Ministries, Spain**

The Gonzalez family shares an update from Seville, Spain, where they have been settling after moving five months ago. They are adjusting well and seeing God’s confirmation in this new season. Jesus serves at a theological seminary with growing enrollment, teaches Bible and preaching courses, and is involved in local church ministry. His wife Maria is completing nursing training and ministry experience, while their children are adjusting to a new community. The family is building relationships in their town and praying for gospel impact.

- Praise – The family is adjusting well to life in Seville, and they sense God’s leading in this new ministry season.
- Praise – The seminary ministry is growing, with students being trained in faithful Bible teaching and preaching.
- Pray – For Maria as she finishes her psychology degree and seeks God’s direction for her next steps.

- Pray – For open hearts in their community of Santiponce, especially among new relationships, that the gospel would take root.

□ **Juvenal & Maria Gonzalez, SDSBA, Baja CA**

Juvenal and María Gonzalez rejoice in growing unity between churches, ongoing church planting efforts, and upcoming mission teams and VBS outreach in both the U.S. and Mexico. They also request prayer for multiple church plants, construction projects, and new ministry couples stepping into leadership roles. María is recovering from vertigo and is navigating ongoing matters in California.

- Praise – Strong partnership and unity between ministries in North Carolina and Tijuana, with shared leadership bearing fruit.
- Praise – Improvement in María’s health as she recovers from vertigo.
- Pray – For upcoming mission teams and VBS outreach in North Carolina and Baja California, that they would have lasting spiritual impact.
- Pray – For new church plants, construction projects, and leadership couples as they begin and strengthen ministries in multiple locations.

□ **Chris & Mihi Guess, ABWE, Romania**

Chris Guess requests continued prayer for Gabi, the mother of Mihi, who is in Romania and awaiting delayed brain tumor surgery. Her condition is serious, with the tumor causing pressure on her brain and noticeable cognitive and physical decline. Surgery has been postponed due to limited hospital capacity and holiday delays. Chris was able to share the Gospel with her, and the family is asking for prayer during this uncertain and urgent time.

- Praise – Opportunity to clearly share the Gospel with Gabi.
- Praise – God’s sovereignty and presence acknowledged and trusted in the midst of uncertainty.
- Pray – For a timely opening for surgery with the right medical team and care.

- Pray – For physical stability and slowed progression of her condition while waiting, and for salvation and faith in Christ for Gabi.

□ **Jeff HAuse, SAM, Bolivia**

Jeff Hause shared that after returning to Bolivia from a U.S. trip, he experienced fatigue but is now regaining energy and continuing ministry. He had encouraging opportunities speaking at camps and schools, and is looking ahead to further ministry connections while addressing ongoing health concerns.

- Praise – His energy and health have improved, allowing him to be more active again.
- Praise – Ministry opportunities (teaching at camps, VBS, and church visits) were impactful and well received.
- Pray – For clarity, healing, and good medical care as he continues to address health concerns.
- Pray – For wisdom and effectiveness in building stronger connections with pastors and churches, and organizing future ministry opportunities.

□ **Robert & Souad Helou, Arabic Ministry**

Robert and Souad Helou share updates from the Arabic Ministry in San Diego, highlighting ongoing Care Ministry outreach to Arabic-speaking individuals and encouraging growth in faith through gatherings and fellowship. They also celebrate a meaningful Good Friday service and a growing Monday evening group of about 30 participants. The ministry is actively seeking leadership support for student discipleship and continues to pray for spiritual renewal in local churches.

- Praise – Strong participation and growth in the Monday evening group, with about 30 people deepening their faith and fellowship.
- Praise – A meaningful Good Friday gathering marked by worship, preaching, and the Lord's Supper.
- Pray – For God to provide a faithful Christian couple to lead the FUEL Ministry and disciple students.

- Pray – For spiritual revival in Arabic-speaking churches and faithful, devoted service from all ministry workers.

□ **Jon & Tammy Junker, TEAM, Japan**

This praise report highlights several recent ministry events, including the Suzuki Method 55th Grand Concert in which thousands of students from around the world performed together in unity through music. The team also participated in a GLOW Returnee Easter camp focused on “new life and new beginnings,” along with various outreach events. These gatherings provided opportunities for fellowship, encouragement, cultural connection, and sharing the Gospel with children and families.

- Praise – Successful Suzuki Grand Concert with powerful unity among thousands of students from around the world.
- Praise – Multiple outreach opportunities (Easter camp, English Fun Time, BBQ, and home gatherings) where the Gospel was shared.
- Pray – For continued fruit from the relationships built with pre-believing friends and families.
- Pray – For lasting spiritual impact from these events, that hearts would be open to Christ and grow in faith.

□ **Lance & Jessica Kanagy, MAF, Indonesia**

The Kanagy family shares that after arriving in Tarakan, they quickly faced operational challenges, including a team member leaving and urgent flight disruptions. During a return to flying, they were also close to a tragic aircraft accident involving another pilot. Despite the heaviness of these events, they continue serving remote communities through medical evacuations and aviation support, while also seeing meaningful opportunities to share Christ’s love through presence and care.

- Praise – The team is back in operation, continuing to serve remote communities through flights and medical evacuations.

- Praise – Meaningful ministry impact is being seen, as communities recognize MAF’s care during crisis, loss, and practical support.
- Pray – For safety, protection, and wisdom for all pilots and staff working in difficult and remote flying conditions.
- Pray – For spiritual openness in the communities they serve, that people would experience and respond to the love of Jesus through their ministry.

□ **John & Kim Marselus, JAARS, PNG**

John and Kim Marselus share an Easter update from Papua New Guinea, reflecting on the significance of Christ’s death and resurrection and recent ministry activities. They attended a national missions conference highlighting Bible translation and church planting efforts, with over 200 languages in PNG now having some portion of Scripture. John is stepping into a leadership role with JAARS aviation, while the couple also supported coworkers through family crises. They emphasize the ongoing need for Bible translation and disciple-making among unreached language groups.

- Praise – Over 200+ languages in Papua New Guinea now have Scripture translation available
- Praise – Successful national conference and smooth transition into John’s leadership role in aviation ministry
- Pray – For wisdom and strong leadership as they serve in aviation and support mission work in PNG
- Pray – For continued progress in Bible translation and outreach to the remaining unreached language groups

□ **Bobby & Tiffany Mead, FCA, US**

Bobby Mead shares an update from FCA San Diego highlighting active ministry work with high school and college athletes, upcoming evangelistic events, and summer camps. Key highlights include new Bible studies launching, athletes exploring baptism, preparation for a large sports performance camp, and involvement of media interns. The

ministry is focused on discipleship, outreach, and gospel impact across local schools and sports communities.

- Praise – New FCA Bible studies and huddles have launched successfully, creating more opportunities for students to engage with Scripture.
- Praise – Interest in faith is growing among athletes, including several who are considering baptism and deeper commitment to Christ.
- Pray – For students and athletes to respond to the gospel and take next steps in faith, including baptism.
- Pray – For provision and support for FCA fundraising needs and for strength and growth for summer interns as they serve.

□ **Josh & Emily Merchant, WBT, Mexico**

The Merchants family share an update from their ministry in Oaxaca, Mexico with Wycliffe Bible Translators. They reflect on their recent furlough time, including a return visit to Mexico, spiritual emphasis camps, and ongoing church involvement. They are preparing for several upcoming transitions, including returning to Mexico in a few months, supporting school and church needs, and continuing fundraising and partnership development.

- Praise – Encouraging debrief retreat that helped process their long-term ministry season.
- Praise – Successful ministry trip back to Oaxaca, including meaningful time with their church and students.
- Pray – For provision of additional financial partners and support for their ministry in Oaxaca.
- Pray – For smooth transitions, including visas, staffing needs at the school, and a healthy return to Mexico for the whole family.

□ **Ron & Cheryl Myers, BWMOM, Thailand/US**

Ron and Cheryl Myers reflect on Scripture describing Christ's burial and resurrection, highlighting the empty cross and empty tomb as the foundation of Christian hope. They encourage readers to trust in the finished work of Christ for salvation and share their ongoing ministry in

Thailand as church planters and Bible translators supported by prayer and partnership.

- Praise – Celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the hope of eternal salvation.
- Praise – Ongoing ministry in Thailand focused on church planting and Bible translation.
- Pray – For continued effectiveness and fruitfulness in their ministry of Bible translation and church planting.
- Pray – For many to experience the saving truth of Christ’s death and resurrection and respond in faith.

□ **Chuck & Helen Price, WIXIM, US**

Chuck Price shares a reflection on his work responding to mental health crisis calls. He describes frequent encounters with people experiencing severe mental health crises combined with substance abuse. Despite frustration with the system, he emphasizes compassion and prayer for those he encounters, viewing the issue as both mental health and spiritual in nature.

- Praise – Opportunity to serve and intervene in crisis situations to protect individuals and others.
- Praise – Continued awareness and compassion for vulnerable populations experiencing mental health and substance-related crises.
- Pray – For effective mental health treatment systems, better resources, and long-term care for individuals in crisis.
- Pray – For wisdom, emotional strength, and protection for first responders and volunteers working in difficult and often dangerous situations.

□ **Steffan & Julie Pyle, Ethnos360, PNG**

Steffan and Julie Pyle share an Easter update celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ and recent personal and ministry milestones in PNG. Julie has completed formal language study and is moving into a part-time administrative role while continuing language growth. Steffan has successfully completed his operational flight check and is now

cleared to fly missions independently, supporting missionary work in the region. They express gratitude for God's faithfulness and the support of their team and prayer partners.

- Praise – Julie successfully completed formal language proficiency requirements.
- Praise – Steffan passed his operational flight check and is now cleared for independent mission flights in PNG.
- Pray – For Julie's transition into her new administrative role and continued language growth.
- Pray – For Steffan's continued safety, wisdom, and effectiveness in mission aviation work supporting ministry in Papua New Guinea.

□ **Sohrab & Mitra Ramtin, Iranian Christian Church of SD**

Sohrab and Mitra Ramtin share updates from their Iranian ministry, praising God for strong attendance at special services during the Iranian New Year, Good Friday, and Easter, as well as a baptism of a new believer. They note ongoing challenges with restricted internet access in Iran, limiting discipleship opportunities. They also request prayer for Sohrab's upcoming kidney biopsy.

- Praise – Strong attendance at recent special services, including up to 140 people at Easter.
- Praise – A joyful baptism of a new believer, showing continued spiritual fruit in their ministry.
- Pray – For Sohrab's health, especially his upcoming biopsy for kidney cysts.
- Pray – For open internet access in Iran and continued effectiveness of TV, radio, and online ministry outreach.

□ **Dawson & Kayla Schoening, Baptist Bible Fellowship International, South Africa**

The Schoening family shares updates from their deputation travels as they prepare for missionary work in Cape Town. Dawson has been visiting multiple churches and missions conferences, presenting their ministry and building support. The family is now beginning to travel

together again, while also starting the visa process and continuing to share ministry updates. They also celebrate family milestones, including a baby dedication for their daughter Selah.

- Praise – Strong engagement and support from multiple churches as Dawson shares their ministry vision.
- Praise – A joyful family milestone with the dedication of their daughter Selah to the Lord and time spent with extended family.
- Pray – For safe, smooth travel as the family begins traveling together to churches across different states.
- Pray – For a smooth visa process with no complications as they prepare for long-term ministry in Cape Town.

Charity Shambaugh, BMM, France

Charity updates from ministry in France, including teaching at a Bible institute, running a large hymn-playing program (PianoDac), and ongoing church music training. A major praise is that funds have been fully provided for a church building purchase, though final permits and community approval are still pending. She also highlights encouragement from a recent missionary conference and time with family.

- Praise – God has fully provided the funds needed to purchase the church building.
- Praise – The PianoDac program has grown significantly, with strong participation and meaningful spiritual impact on students and coaches.
- Pray – For favor and approval through the remaining government permits and neighborhood review process for the church building.
- Pray – For a strong finish and continued growth for PianoDac students, coaches, and upcoming choral events.

Jim & Esther Shankula, Border Ministry, SMCC, Mexico & CA

Jim and Esther Shankula share updates from their border ministry, including plans to renovate the church platform with new laminate

flooring and ongoing encouragement of local leadership. They are also preparing for a summer migrant ministry trip involving multiple churches and teams, focusing on greater unity and collaboration. In recent children's ministry outreach, two teenagers returned and engaged attentively, opening a door for further discipleship.

- Praise – Positive engagement in children's ministry, with two teenagers returning and showing strong attentiveness to the lesson.
- Praise – Strong collaboration and preparation for the upcoming migrant ministry trip, with experienced teams and supportive partner churches.
- Pray – For unity, wisdom, and effective preparation among all teams and churches involved in the summer migrant ministry trip.
- Pray – For follow-up and discipleship of the two teenagers who recently re-engaged with the children's program.

□ **Burton & Kathryn Sue, TEAM, Japan**

The Sue Family missionaries share an Easter update from Japan highlighting a successful Good Friday outreach event. Over 140 children attended an Easter egg hunt where the Gospel was shared, along with opportunities for moms and volunteers, some of whom are believers or new to faith, to connect and serve together. They emphasize the importance of small but meaningful gospel opportunities in Japan and express gratitude for ongoing partnership and support.

- Praise – Successful Easter outreach in Japan with over 140 children hearing about Easter and Jesus.
- Praise – Encouraging involvement of local moms and volunteers, including new and growing believers.
- Pray – For the children and families who attended to continue hearing and responding to the Gospel.
- Pray – For strength and wisdom for upcoming summer outreach preparations and church partnerships in Japan.

□ **Myles & Patty Toews, OMI, Int'l**

Myles and Patty Toews share an update following international ministry travel to Germany and Northern Cyprus. Shortly after returning home, Myles developed a serious infection that required hospitalization and ongoing IV antibiotic treatment. He is improving but still recovering his strength. They also briefly mention ongoing ministry activity through OM ships in different global ports.

- Praise – Successful and encouraging ministry trip to Germany and Northern Cyprus with meaningful reunions and leadership meetings.
- Praise – Myles is showing improvement after hospitalization and is responding to treatment.
- Pray – For complete healing as Myles continues IV antibiotic treatments and recovery from infection.
- Pray – For strength, restoration of energy, and full elimination of the infection from his system.

□ **Emiliano & Vanesa Vitti, Word of Life, Ecuador**

The Vitti family shares a ministry update from Word of Life Ecuador. They report a fruitful season of camps, addiction recovery outreach, and discipleship efforts. In Otavalo, they reached around 200 young Quichua people with the Gospel, with 27 decisions for Christ. They highlight ongoing ministry development, including a new addiction recovery initiative (Centro Renacidos), practical provision for camp facilities, and continued family involvement in ministry.

- Praise – 27 young people came to faith in Christ through outreach in Otavalo.
- Praise – Strong camp season with 414 campers, 171 salvation decisions, and 207 dedication decisions.
- Pray – For wisdom, provision, and the right team as they launch “Centro Renacidos” for addiction recovery ministry.
- Pray – For continued transformation and lasting spiritual fruit in the lives of youth and communities in Ecuador.

□ **John & Sonia Wilkinson, Brazil**

The Wilkinson family shares an update from their Bible translation ministry with the Sateré people in the Amazon. Despite travel challenges and unexpected changes in translator availability, God provided the right people and timing to complete significant translation work in Joshua and Mark. They also describe relational ministry with local families and express concern over serious social issues affecting the Sateré community, including addiction, drugs, and mental health struggles.

- Praise – God provided travel arrangements, translators, and timing so that meaningful progress was made in Bible translation work (Joshua and portions of Mark).
- Praise – Safe and fruitful relationships and hospitality were experienced with local missionary friends and Sateré believers during the trip.
- Pray – For protection, healing, and restoration among the Sateré people facing addiction, drug trafficking, and mental health crises.
- Pray – For wisdom and clear direction for the Wilkinson family regarding their future ministry and possible continued work among the Sateré people.

□ **Eric & Anne Zander, Vianova, Belgium**

Eric and Anne Zander share an Easter-season update reflecting on the new life believers have in Christ through His resurrection. They describe ministry across Western Europe through church planting, teaching, and leadership development, including Eric's expanded role in VIANOVA and ongoing discipleship efforts. The update also includes personal family milestones, travel, and both encouragements and challenges in health, leadership transitions, and finances as they continue building Christian communities in a post-Christian context.

- Praise – Strong family gathering and celebration of Eric's 60th birthday with children and grandchildren.
- Praise – Growth in local discipleship, church planting, and teaching resources (including curriculum development and media outreach).

- Pray – For Axelle’s ongoing health issues and for medical answers regarding blood loss.
- Pray – For wisdom, provision, and strength in leadership transitions, ministry expansion, and financial needs during this season.

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□ JD & Sara

JD and Sara have experienced both challenges and encouragements while serving. Amid ongoing conflict and nearby bombings, they have remained physically safe and continued ministry, including celebrating a meaningful baptism. At the same time, their family’s missionary hospital in Mexico is facing possible closure unless urgent upgrades are completed within four months.

- Praise – The family has been kept safe despite the dangerous conditions surrounding them.
- Praise – A young couple came to faith and were baptized, showing impactful ministry fruit.
- Pray – For peace, protection, and emotional strength for their family amid ongoing conflict.
- Pray – For provision, wisdom, and timely completion of upgrades needed to keep Hospital El Buen Pastor open.

□ Tyler & Heidi

Tyler and Heidi shared ministry updates highlighting how God is opening spiritual conversations through everyday relationships and events, including a funeral, Easter celebrations, and ongoing community engagement. Despite local struggles and spiritual and emotional hardships in the region, there are encouraging signs of curiosity about faith and multiple opportunities for people to hear the gospel.

- Praise – Meaningful gospel conversations are happening, including a deep discussion that led others to reflect on hope in Christ after death.

- Praise – Several individuals are showing openness and curiosity about faith, including a young man wanting to study Scripture and others consistently hearing the gospel.
- Pray – For continued spiritual openness and for the Holy Spirit to soften hearts in the community.
- Pray – For strength and wisdom for the team as they walk with people facing ongoing trauma, mental health struggles, and difficult life circumstances in the region.

□ **Bethany**

Bethany Johnson shares a spring update about her ministry transition to North Africa due to a tax and residency requirement requiring her to be out of country. She describes settling into a new location where she is studying Arabic and learning the local culture more deeply. She also reflects on ongoing illness, upcoming travel plans to the U.S., and God's continued provision in housing, community, and ministry opportunities.

- Praise – God's provision of safe housing, community, and a smooth transition to North Africa.
- Praise – Opportunity to study Arabic and grow in cultural understanding for ministry.
- Pray – For improved physical health and strength, as she has been frequently sick.
- Pray – For wisdom in upcoming travel plans and continued ability to be an encouragement and faithful witness in her current location.

□ **Tony & May**

Tony and May share that they are actively involved in gospel trainings and university outreach, where many Gospel conversations have led to new believers and ongoing discipleship. Their family is also adjusting to life milestones, including driving, school, and ministry involvement. Internationally, Tony has been serving leaders across Southeast Asia and Laos through retreats, disciple-making training, and church-planting movements. They highlight ongoing growth, leadership development, and Bible translation efforts in unreached regions.

- Praise – Many people came to faith through outreach events in Texas (mall, universities, and home gatherings).
- Praise – Strong unity and growth among leaders and church planters across Southeast Asia.
- Pray – For continued multiplication of disciples and protection for leaders serving in difficult and unreached regions.
- Pray – For provision, strength, and success in Bible translation, training centers, and ongoing ministry expansion in Laos and beyond.

□ R & F

R & F share a ministry update from Lebanon, highlighting both intense ministry activity and God’s protection during ongoing regional conflict. Their work includes counseling, discipleship, hosting interns, and organizing a six-day mountain hike for workers. They also share a personal story of their daughter learning to trust God through difficult school and housing situations, with clear answers to prayer and protection during nearby bombings.

- Praise – God provided for and fully funded the six-day ministry hike, bringing refreshment and deep fellowship to workers across the region.
- Praise – God protected multiple families during a severe bombing incident by leading them to leave the area just before strikes occurred nearby.
- Pray – For continued emotional and spiritual growth for their children, especially Avila as she learns to trust God in difficult situations.
- Pray – For ongoing safety, wisdom, and unity among workers and families serving in a region affected by instability and conflict.

□ PN

PN shares an update from a politically uncertain region where ministry continues despite challenges. She is preparing for a May 2–10 trip to Northeast to encourage business partners and run micro-business,

cancer awareness, and caregiving workshops across multiple ethnic centers. Ongoing work includes outreach with IT students, stalled projects, residency review, and personal health recovery.

- Praise – Believers participated joyfully in elections and continue seeking ways to engage their communities.
- Praise – Ministry opportunities are expanding through upcoming workshops, business encouragement, and active coworking/IT training outreach.
- Pray – For safety, protection, and favor during travel and ministry across Northeast and surrounding regions.
- Pray – For Naushad’s salvation and continued openness as he processes grief and engages in translation and conversations about faith.

□ **Yuko**

Yuko shares an Easter update, preparing for an upcoming trip to Japan due to her mother’s serious health condition following cancer discovery during surgery. Her mother is scheduled for major surgery and is a believer trusting God through the process. Yuko plans to travel to support her recovery while also reconnecting with family and seeking opportunities to share her faith.

- Praise – God’s provision for safe travel and the ability to return to Japan to care for her mother.
- Praise – Ongoing ministry relationships and opportunities, including reconnecting with students and welcoming new team members.
- Pray – For Yuko’s mother’s surgery, recovery, and spiritual encouragement, and for her non-believing sisters.
- Pray – For wisdom, strength, and guidance in balancing family care, ministry responsibilities, and evangelistic opportunities.

□ **Denis & Diane**

Denis and Diane share an exciting update from their media ministry, celebrating a major answer to prayer regarding the broadcast of *The Chosen*. After long negotiations, they unexpectedly received a much

larger and completely free licensing agreement that now includes multiple seasons and languages, significantly expanding their reach and impact potential. They are preparing to launch Season Two in local language and continue using media to share the message of Jesus in a restricted-access region.

- Praise – God provided an expanded, free broadcasting agreement for *The Chosen*, far beyond what was originally expected.
- Praise – The ministry now has increased opportunity and resources to reach more viewers across the country and surrounding regions with the gospel.
- Pray – For the upcoming launch of *The Chosen* Season Two in local language to reach many people and lead them toward Jesus.
- Pray – For wisdom, effectiveness, and protection as the team engages a growing audience and expands media outreach in a sensitive region.

□ **Don & Karen**

Don and Karen share an update after safe travels. Despite turbulence and a tight connection, they arrived safely with all luggage and were warmly welcomed by their team. After being away for eight months, they are now settled back into their ministry home and adjusted to the time change. They are preparing to celebrate Easter with their Hungarian church through Good Friday and Sunday services.

- Praise – Safe return after travel, including smooth connections and arrival of all luggage.
- Praise – Successful transition back home after an extended time away.
- Pray – For meaningful and impactful Easter services with the Hungarian church.
- Pray – For continued smooth adjustment back into ministry life and daily routines.

Mission Organization Names and Initials

ABC-African Bible Colleges, Inc.

ABWE-Association of Baptists for World Evangelism

AWANA Clubs International

BMM-Baptist Mid-Missions

BMW-Biblical Ministries Worldwide

BWMOM-Baptist World Missionary Outreach Ministries, Inc

Biblical Byways

CAPS-College Area Pregnancy Services

CEF-Child Evangelism Fellowship

CHRISTAR

Converge

Crossworld

CURE- Community Upliftment Reformation and Empowerment

Ethnos360- (was New Tribes Mission)

FCA-Fellowship of Christian Athletes

GRN-Global Recordings Network

IMB-International Mission Board

Iranian Christian Church of San Diego

JAARS, Jungle Aviation & Relay Service

JETS-Jordan Evangelical Theological Seminary

MAF-Mission Aviation Fellowship

MCM-Missionary Companion Ministries

Mesa Global

MRM-Mormonism Research Ministry

NAMB-North American Mission Board

OAC-Open Air Campaigners

Oaks, International

OC International-One Challenge International

OM-Operation Mobilization

PGO-Pacesetter Global Outreach

PSS-Pastoral Support Service

People International

Pioneers International

PCC- Pregnancy Care Clinic

Radius International

RGBI-Rio Grande Bible Institute

ROCK International- Relief, Opportunity & Care for Kids

SAM-South America Mission

SDSBA-San Diego Southern Baptist Association

SEND International

SEND North

SMCC Missions-Shadow Mountain Community Church

Sonshine Haven

TEAM-The Evangelical Alliance Mission

Tecate Mission International

TBM-Tentmakers Bible Mission

Vianova

White Fields

WIXIM Ministries, Inc.

WOL-Word of Life

WDO-World Discipleship Outreach

WBT-Wycliffe Bible Translators