

Missionary Prayer Bulletin



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NORTH AMERICA

◆ Jamaica

Little London—Richard & Renay Craig

Rev. Richard Craig is happy to report that two new ladies have begun to attend the church faithfully. One has a Baptist background, and the other had been visiting the Jehovah's Witnesses until she became convicted that it was not the place for her.

Sister Jeanette continues to need prayer as she is unable to attend the services because of poor health. She is encouraged by visits from people in the congregation. Pray also for Mrs. Wallace, who is 93 and has trouble with hearing and walking.

Richard is grateful for the opportunity to go into the schools each week to conduct morning devotions and to counsel the boys and girls. Pray for the salvation of the children and the teachers who hear the gospel through this ministry.

The church people in Little Londen greatly appreciate the nine men who came to Jamaica in February from various churches in the FPCNA to repair houses that were damaged by Hurricane Melissa. They thank the team, which was led by Rev. Derrick Bowman, for its outstanding zeal, passion, and labor of love for those who were in great need. Richard says, "May the Lord continue to bless each of these men in every way."

◆ Dominican Republic

Santo Domingo—Ramón & Wendy Sosa

Rev. Ramón Sosa writes with gratitude, reporting that the congregation has maintained steady attendance. Several friends and neighbors have begun attending services regularly and are listening attentively to the preaching of the Word. At present, six individuals are being discipled: one is preparing for full communicant membership, and five are receiving instruction for baptism.

The church's outreach also continues to families of children who attend the Palabra de Vida Educational Center (CEPVI), where Ramón dedicates daily time to administrative responsibilities. Pray for open doors for gospel ministry at the school.

Alongside these encouragements, the church faces significant financial strain. In 2026 the rent for the property doubled from RD\$20,000 to RD\$40,000 per month. At the same time, an additional RD\$30,000 of monthly income for Ramón from secular work ended on January 7. Together, these changes have created a monthly deficit of RD\$50,000 (about \$825 USD). Ramón asks for prayer, trusting the Lord's promise to supply every need according to His riches in glory.

Ramón also shares a deeply painful situation that has shaken the congregation. Sister Sobeida, a faithful member, has suffered the tragic loss of her only grandchild, an eleven-year-old boy who recently took his own life. The weight of grief on this family is immense, and Ramón pleads for earnest intercession on their behalf. He asks that the Lord would grant Sobeida the comfort that only He can give, sustaining her as she clings to Christ in a sorrow beyond human explanation. He also requests prayer for her son Alfred, the boy's father, who does not know the Lord. The hope is that even in this season of brokenness, God might draw his heart to repentance and faith in Christ. Finally, he asks prayer for the entire family, that their grief would not scatter them but instead lead them to seek the Lord together and find rest in Him.

Ramón closes with confidence in the God of all comfort, who draws near to the brokenhearted, and with gratitude for the communion of saints who bear one another's burdens.

*Grant unto thy servants, that with
all boldness they may speak thy
word.*

ACTS 4:29

◆ Mexico

Mexico City—Jason & Danielle Boyle

The Latin American churches had their second annual family camp April 1–4, with 85 people attending. Many children and young people attended, which was a great blessing. The theme of the camp was "Built upon the Rock" with the theme text of Psalm 127. The group enjoyed five preaching sessions, two workshops, and wonderful times of fellowship. Pray for the salvation of the children, for the building up of families, and for God's grace to continue to work in the churches.

The Mexico City church is looking forward to two baptisms on Sunday, April 12, and has five people who are in the process of applying to become members. Please pray for the growth of the church, not only in number but also in holiness and in the fear of the Lord. They are thankful for new people and for those who are eager to participate. The church is asking the Lord to raise up more leaders in the church, especially deacons in the coming year or so.

Please also pray for the men and their wives who are preparing for the ministry, that the Lord would uphold them and guide them.

Córdoba—Lalo & Liz Peña

Rev. Lalo Peña thanks God the congregation in Córdoba—especially the members—remain strong in their attendance. Please pray for Grecia, Juan Emilio, Emigdio Cruz, and Sister Mary Estevez for better health.

Lalo recently had the opportunity to preach the gospel in a congregation of Private Baptists (Calvinistic Baptists) in the region. The members were greatly blessed by the Word of God, especially a young man from the mountains named Carlos Amador, who is in rehabilitation for alcohol abuse.

The church continues to invite family and friends to join them to hear the gospel. Pray that God will save more souls.

AFRICA

◆ Liberia

Paynesville—

Rev. Derrick Bowman reports that the Free Presbyterian Mission Church in Paynesville, Liberia, is continuing to do well. Over the past two months several visitors have come to the church because of the radio ministry. Two men, a set of twins who attended the church many years ago, have returned to the area and have started attending faithfully again.

At the end of April, Mr. Bowman will be visiting the congregation for two Lord's Days. He will be accompanied during part of the time by Rev. Glenn Hamilton, who serves as a missionary in Kenya under the Ulster Mission Board. They will be doing a week of teaching sessions in the church on various theological and practical topics. Please pray for the Lord's blessing on their ministry.

The church recently purchased a new generator. The electrical connection in the area is poor because so many people and businesses illegally tap into the electrical lines causing drops in the current. The power goes off at some point almost every day, so the generator is a necessary backup during church services. The same generator also services the bookstore and keeps the air conditioning running while the store is open.

Mr. Bowman will be taking more supplies to the bookstore on this trip to Liberia. More people are visiting the bookstore because of advertisements on the Free Presbyterian radio station. The bookstore continues to sell Bibles almost every day. Over the past two months the sale of other Christian books has increased. The workers in the bookstore invite customers to the church and talk with them about the Lord.

Mr. Philip Irwin from Let the Bible Speak in Ulster continues to manage the radio station remotely from Northern Ireland. He has put together a wide variety of Christian programming, and the reports from listeners are very positive. Almost every customer to the bookstore says that they regularly listen to Free Presbyterian Radio 92.5 FM. Please continue to pray for this important means of outreach.

◆ Uganda

Nsaalu—*Noreen McAfee*

Noreen is thankful for continued prayers on behalf of all at Emmanuel Christian School. She says the staff and students have settled well into this academic year and are making good progress. Once again, classes are full and they are thankful for those parents and caregivers who have entrusted them with their little ones. She prays that God would bless every household connected to the school.

She also thanks God for help given to last year's O-level, A-level, and nursing students, who all passed their final examinations. Please pray for these young people as they continue with studies or move into employment. Pray especially that God would continue to work in their lives.

Noreen says they thoroughly enjoyed the the visitors from the Ulster Presbytery and Mission Board in February. They not only ministered at numerous school assemblies but took time to interact, engage, and even play with the children and young people, much to their amusement. She says it was a refreshing time for all and gave them a nice boost!

This became all the more special since the next expected visitors, a mission team from the Sandown Church, had to cancel their Easter Trip following the disruption of travel through the Middle East. She hopes they will be able to reschedule for a future date.

Noreen says they had the first ladies' meeting of the year on March 7 and were thankful for all who managed to attend despite numerous other events on the same day. The missionary focus was on Spain, the message drew lessons from the widow of Zarephath, and everyone enjoyed a lovely time of fellowship as they shared refreshments and made friendship bracelets. She asks us to continue to remember the ladies in prayer.

The new Sunday school at Lyna, Lukaya, has started very well with over one hundred children in attendance most weeks. Noreen says it is a joy to teach them God's Word, and she is grateful for Rodgers, who comes faithfully every week to assist. Please pray for all the Sunday schools, that they would see young lives won for the Master.

Noreen also had the opportunity to speak at the monthly meeting of a small investment club in the Lukaya area this month. She says they listened very well as she dealt with the question "Why did the Lord Jesus Christ have to die?" She says they are a very mixed group of people, but she prays that God would be pleased to reach and save souls through this ongoing ministry. Noreen, Rev. David

McAuley, and Rev. Ray Carscadden take turns speaking to the group.

◆ Kenya

Kitale—*Glenn & Emma Hamilton*

The Hamiltons have worked through a very busy period in Kenya since their last update. In that time, all the membership interviews were completed in Glory Bible Church and 25 have been added in total in the various congregations. In addition, baptismal services have been held for nine candidates from three congregations. One church conducts their baptisms in a nearby river, and Rev. Glenn Hamilton says that was a new experience for him.

Along with that, Glenn has been preaching in the church at Shimo La Tewa on the biblical requirements for ruling elders. That congregation plans to elect its first members to the office of elder later this month. The same church hosted a three-day pastors' conference during the Easter holiday at which Glenn shared the teaching responsibility along with other pastors in GBC.

The Hamiltons' homeschool is on Easter break while Emma's sister, Sara, is visiting from the UK for a few weeks. But even when school is closed, the science lessons continue. George found a wild chameleon in their garden for the first time, much to everyone's excitement!

Please pray 1) for new members in GBC as they continue to serve and support their local churches; 2) for GBC Shimo La Tewa as they prepare to elect elders to oversee the congregation; 3) for the pastors' conference in Kitale during April; 4) for safety and good health while Sara visits Kenya.

Kitale—*Elizabeth Edwards*

Elizabeth Edwards reports that April brings the change of the Sunday school "academic year" in Kenya. That means the last few weeks have been very busy at the Milimani compound. Elizabeth has very much appreciated the team of workers from the various churches who have been helping with exam results, prizes, and curriculum preparation.

She is excited that the Sunday school is starting the first year of using the revised curriculum as edited by Miss Margaret Russell. Elizabeth and the Kenyan teachers have been really looking forward to the new curriculum being available. She says it is good to see it in circulation, and it was a great relief to have the books printed and bound in Kenya in time for the start of the new Sunday school year.

Elizabeth says it has also been very pleasant to have company in the house while they work together during the day. She has been practising her skills in the kitchen as they have been eating together (she says there is still much room for improvement in her cooking, but the advice from her visitors has helped). In an effort to help Elizabeth improve her language skills, the group established a house rule that only Kiswahili would be spoken during the meals. Elizabeth says the rule resulted in a lot of language practice, but it sometimes led to frustration!

Events such as the two baptismal services in Kakamega and Ortum were grounds for much rejoicing in the middle of the work. Prize-giving services in April are also wonderful opportunities to take a deep breath and rejoice in good results in the Sunday school exams, in memory work learned well by children, and in the joy of knowing that they have been taught the gospel.

The busyness shifts with the next pattern of the year. The month of April brings school holidays and that means it is VBS season. This month the VBS theme is “The Sufferings of Christ.” Please pray, as always, for strength and energy for the teachers—this has been a very busy time for them—and for the Lord to write His Word in the hearts of children. Pray also for the new curriculum, that the Lord will use it to the salvation of souls and the edification of His church.

ASIA

◆ Nepal

Kathmandu—Joy Gillespie

Joy Gillespie reports that Nepal has entered a period of dramatic political upheaval following the March 8 election, in which voters delivered a resounding victory to Balen Shah, a young politician and former rapper who entered public life to confront corruption in Kathmandu. He was sworn in as prime minister on Friday, March 27, choosing a Hindu holy day for the ceremony and surrounding himself exclusively with Hindu priests. The following morning, in an unexpected move, he ordered the arrest of the former prime minister and former home affairs minister in dawn raids. They were detained on charges related to the use of live ammunition during the September 2025 protests, when nineteen young people were shot dead and sixty more died in the ensuing violence. Five additional figures—politicians, businessmen, and government officials—have since been arrested, sparking new protests across the country.

Joy notes that while the election reflects a public desire for reform and an end to corruption, Shah’s overwhelming majority means he needs only two additional votes to amend the constitution without returning to the electorate. His overt religious alignment has raised deep concern among Christians. One party with seven seats has already offered support on the condition that Nepal be restored as a Hindu state. Churches now fear investigations into foreign funding, which could lead to closures. Joy asks for prayer that God would preserve the freedom of missionaries and churches to remain in the country and that leaders would act without vengeance or malice.

She gives thanks for the recent ladies’ conferences held in February and March. Reaching the mountain church required driving up a riverbed and winding roads, but more than fifty women from four congregations attended. As she descended the mountain at dusk, she watched the women begin gathering flowers in the dark so they wouldn’t lose the harvest—a vivid reminder of the hardship of their daily lives (women in Nepal grow and harvest flowers to add to their families’ incomes). Another conference is planned for late April, and Joy asks prayer for God’s protection amid challenging conditions.

The wider region feels the effects of the conflict in the Middle East with rising oil prices, restricted gas supply, and soaring food costs. These pressures have caused a sharp decline in enrollment at the English Institute. Pray that things will improve soon and that students will return.

April 13–15, the denomination will hold its basic conference in Kathmandu, where Rev. Jonathan Creane will preach and graduate five Bible students. He and his wife plan a seventy-day stay to conduct conferences across the nation. Joy asks for prayer for their safety, acceptance, and encouragement for the churches.

She closes by urging prayer for Nepal, trusting that God sets the limits of what rulers may do. Pray that God will encourage the Christians to pray for their nation, to seek His face, and wait to see the salvation of the Lord.

◆ South Korea

Seoul—Seongkyu & Sooyoun Lee

Rev. Seongkyu Lee reports that, by God’s grace, the Free Presbyterian Church in Korea is seeking to serve the Lord with renewed commitment, especially in the area of evangelism. He believes the Lord has placed a shared burden on the entire congregation, not

only on the pastor, to reach the lost. As part of this effort, the church now goes into the streets once a month after the Lord’s Supper to distribute small evangelistic gifts and gospel tracts. This work requires courage in a society where such outreach is not always welcomed, yet the congregation is convinced it is necessary for meeting souls with the gospel.

On the last Saturday of March, the church held a prayer meeting for the salvation of souls, followed by an outreach in which many members participated. Seongkyu asks for prayer that the Lord would bless these efforts and bring spiritually needy people across their path.

The church holds special mission services twice a year, praying for mission works within the denomination and giving offerings to support them. Seongkyu hopes these services will also provide opportunities for members to invite unbelieving relatives and friends, trusting that God will use the church gatherings to draw appointed souls to Himself.

The church continues its reading fellowship for the spiritual growth of the congregation. The members recently read *The Fruit of the Spirit* by Rev. Alan Cairns, which proved spiritually enriching. Seongkyu also led a retreat for the young people focused on the book of Leviticus, aiming to help them understand a portion of Scripture often considered difficult. Ongoing Bible studies for the youth are planned.

Please pray for several families in the congregation with unbelieving husbands who do not attend church. Pray that God would open their hearts to the gospel.

A newcomer, Jihoon Lim, who had never attended church before, began coming two months ago. Pray that through the preaching and worship, Jihoon will come to understand the gospel and believe in Christ for the salvation of his soul.

AUSTRALIA

Perth, Western Australia—Philip & Cherith Gardiner

The Gardiners thank the Lord that a Roman Catholic lady attended the church’s Easter outreach meeting at the public housing unit. She has agreed to come to Bible studies in the future. Pray that she would do so and that the Lord will save her soul.

The Gardiners are also thankful for visitors in the Easter services at church. Join them in praying that some of these people will return.

Pray for ...

- Open doors
- Boldness in witness
- Salvation of souls
- Fullness of the Spirit
- Love for Christ and others
- Protection from Satan's attacks
- Wisdom & guidance
- Families
- Political stability
- Adaptation to the climate
- Health and safety
- Victory over loneliness
- Good relationships with national Christian leaders and fellow workers
- Facility with language
- Cultural adaptation
- More laborers

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