

Raising Up the Next Generation

in continuation...

Raising up the next generation of missionaries is imperative.

Equipping cross-cultural workers to establish strong, indigenous, reproducing churches among unreached language groups used to be the foundation of Christian missionary efforts. But over the last decades, attempts to take the Gospel to unreached, unengaged language groups – those with no Bible and no hope of access to the Gospel without a committed, long-term missionary – have plummeted.

Most people sitting in our pews on a Sunday morning really have no idea how few missionaries and truly, how little money goes to these completely unreached people.

While related statistics are often imprecise and differ, the Joshua Project does estimate the number of unreached people groups – those with less than 2 percent evangelical Christians and no Bible translation – ranges from 6,900 to 7,400. Of those, 2,700-3,100 are unreached, unengaged language groups in places where no Christians live and no Bible translation exists.

It's believed that about 3 billion people – roughly 40 percent of the

world's population – don't know of Jesus nor anyone who does.

-Sharon Dierberger, World Magazine

Interpreting the Great Commission - What does it mean to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth?

It's difficult to read of these statistics, hear the stories from our very own missionaries, and witness first-hand the great needs from our EC churches in Japan, India, Nepal, Mexico and Liberia, and not feel the deep conviction of needing to believe God for fresh revelation, a fresh move of His Holy Spirit, and a refreshing of our hearts to have a missionary zeal to reach the lost.

Along with the prophet Isaiah (26:8) – His name and His renown are the desire of our heart here at the GMC. May it be true of this dynamic movement of God we call the EC Church. Will you join us in prayer this month for those God may be calling to be the next generation of missionaries?

-Dee Jaramillo



FROM THE FIELD...

Hello from "Spring Break" happening in warm and sunny Florida!

As of this writing, our team has had many opportunities to share Jesus with those gathered along the boardwalks and beaches.
Will you join us in praying that seeds that have been sown will bloom and grow?

It's because of your generosity in prayer and financial support that we are able to continue to do the work the Lord has called us to do. You are a valued partner in that work and ministry.

From all of us on the field, "thank you!"

Joe & Wendy Toy

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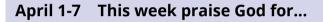
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As of the printing date of this publication, Rev. Ted Rathman, GMC Executive Director, and Rev. Rick Sergi (Emmanual EC, Bethlehem, PA) are in Monrovia, Liberia visiting our EC churches and brothers and sisters in Christ. Here are snapshots of the ministry there, and what the Lord has done through your generosity in prayer and finances.





- all that He is doing in and through the GMC
- all that He has done and is doing in the life of the EC Church around the world
- the men and women who serve as EC missionaries
- the international pastors and leaders of the EC Church
- the EC churches who so faithfully provide finances and prayer coverage for the GMC, our missionaries, and the international pastors and leaders
- the countless individuals who sacrificially give each and every month to the work of the Kingdom around the world

This week pray for... **April 16-23**

- the Lord's calling and equipping of the next generation of missionaries
- the Lord to speak clearly to those He is calling to step into His plans and purposes for their lives as missionaries to the least-reached people of the world
- those the Lord is calling to begin to take steps to follow where He is leading
- those who have yet to hear of Jesus

April 8-15 This week pray for...

- our local EC churches to share stories and bring awareness to the movement of God taking place in the global EC Church
- continued provision to meet the needs of our international churches across the globe
- our local pastors and leaders to travel to India, Nepal, Mexico, Japan and Liberia to help equip, train, and encourage pastors and leaders from those countries
- young men and women to serve on short-term missions trips this summer and fall
- the Lord's blessing on each of our international church leaders and their families; Rev. Paozathang Singson; Rev. Dr. Lalrosiem Songate; Rev. Th. Janga; Rev. G. Abraham Powell; Rev. Nobuo Abe; and Rev. Juan Zuniga
- the life-saving message of our resurrected Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to be proclaimed all around the world

April 24-30 Pray for missionaries...

- Tomoyuki & Jessica Abe, Randy & Chrisanne Amberman, Ron & Brenda Anderson, Chris & Deb **Bowers**
- Jamie & Anita Farr, Beth Grimm, Dan & Melinda Moury
- Dan Quigley, Dave & Conce Roof, Robert & Bettina Schaeffer, Ed & Valerie Schubert
- · Ken Sears, Gloria Smethers, Jim & Janet Stahl
- Gene & Bethanie Stevenson, Lamar & Janice Stoltzfus, Joe & Wendy Toy, Brian & Missy Wagner
- Cassie Wells, BJ & Rachel Whitaker, Dan & Mary Lynne Wills, Jonathan & Kathy Wilson

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