

Empowering Local Churches

You, the local church, are the hub upon which rests the mobilization, coordination, implementation and evaluation of the total global outreach of your congregation. It is yours not only to embrace local, area, and wider United States outreach, but to go beyond our borders and to circle the globe in obedience to the Biblical mandate.

This month we focus our attention on the way "the littles" of our churches learn about missions and join in on the fun of supporting the work of the Lord all around the world through

Vacation Bible School

This year's special project is to raise funds for our EC Church of India (ECCI). ECCI will be starting a new building project of apartment housing for its students and staff on the ECCI campus. This project and construction will take place in phases.

This year's Vacation Bible School! Missions Moments funds will contribute to PHASE ONE of this project, which is building a wall on the property necessary to secure in place prior to construction beginning.

The GMC is here to assist in your planned Missions Moments during each session of your Vacation Bible School this year by providing a Welcome/Opening Video from the Global Ministries Associate, Pastor Ted Rathman, as well as PowerPoint presentations with information about India, its people, culture, the EC Church in India, and the special project. These materials will be on the GMC website beginning June 1. gmc.eccenter.com

It's our prayer that through the generosity and the support from you, your church, and your "littles" who capture the heart and vision for world missions, we'll be able to assist in providing the necessary funds to begin Phase One of this project.

We're excited! How about you?

Click <u>HERE</u> to donate now.





FROM THE DESK...

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On behalf of the Global Ministries Community of the EC Church - thank you - for your continued partnership in the ministries of our EC missionaries and international churches.

Your generous support (in all ways) continues the work the Lord has given us to do - and we are so grateful.

I know you'll enjoy this month's guide as we celebrate missions during Vacation Bible Schools happening this summer!

Richest Blessings,

Glenda Dunbar GMC Board Member

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(5-10-22 / As of this writing, Rev. Ted Rathman and Bishop Bruce Hill have returned from their trip to India - having visited with Rev. Paozathang Singson, General Director of ECCl; Rev. Dr. Lalrosiem Songate, Principal of Evangelical College of Theology; and pastors and leaders of ECCl.)

While in India, Ted and Bruce attended and spoke at the ECCI Annual Conference; trained, equipped and encouraged ECCI pastors and leaders; and visited with our EC brothers and sisters - celebrating all that the Lord is doing in, and through, the EC Church of India; and learned of the project ECCI is soon to begin.

To know how your church can partner directly with an International EC Church, call the GMC office at 717-866-7581 or email ecglobal@eccenter.com.

Ted Rathman

For a recap of the trip be sure to connect with us on FaceBook and view the posts and videos!

Connect with us!



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Thank you for joining us in prayer for VBS and the ECCI Special Project!

June 1-8 Praise the Lord for...

- all that He is doing in and through the ECCI
- the relationship between the ECCUSA and ECCI, and all the Lord is doing through the work of the EC Church around the world and through Vacation Bible Schools this summer
- the successful ECCI Annual Conference that was held in April
- the opportunity for Rev. Ted Rathman, GMA and Bishop Bruce Hill to be in India
- the ministry, training, and equipping of ECCI pastors and leaders during that trip
- the leadership of General Director Rev. Paozathang Singson and his vision for this special project
- the leaders being trained at the Evangelical College of Theology and the leadership of Principal Rev. Dr. Lalrosiem Songate, who may someday also lead a VBS
- the non-Christians being reached and that have started understanding and responding to the Gospel in India

June 9-16 Pray for...

- the many Vacation Bible Schools that will be taking place throughout the summer at our EC Churches here in the United States
- wisdom and direction for all leaders involved with VBS
- the directors of each Vacation Bible School who have set aside many hours of their time to plan, recruit volunteers, strategize, and have prayed for their VBS programs
- the many volunteers who will participate in various capacities at Vacation Bible Schools this summer
- the children who will be attending VBS this summer and learning of the Good News of Jesus Christ!
- many to accept Jesus into their hearts
- the vision of sharing Jesus all around the world to ignite in the hearts and minds of the children at VBS when Missions Moments are presented
- the children to see themselves as integral "partners" in the larger team we call the Global Ministries Community

June 17-24 Pray for...

- all those who contribute to giving financially to VBS Missions Offerings to be joyfully generous
- each child who attends VBS to have an impact on their parents coming to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ
- each child who attends VBS to know their worth and value in Jesus and grasp how much they are loved
- each pastor whose church is holding a VBS this summer to be encouraged and energized in casting vision for world missions in his church
- the hearts and minds of our ECCUSA family to be joined with those of our ECCI brothers and sisters in lifting up the name of Jesus all around the world
- the Holy Spirit's direction and guidance as the ECCI continues to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to a difficult area of the world
- many to hear the Gospel and respond each time an ECCI pastor reaches a new community
- the Light of Jesus Christ to pierce the dark corners of India with the saving knowledge of faith in Jesus

June 25-30 Pray for missionaries...

- Tomoyuki & Jessica Abe, Randy & Chrisanne Amberman, Ron & Brenda Anderson, Chris & Deb Bowers
- Jamie & Anita Farr, Kurt & Nancy G., Beth Grimm, Dave & Emily Hershey
- Ivy Limbert, 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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