

OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

- ▶ Pray for **Tomoyuki and Jessica Abe**, church planters in Japan, as they prepare for the birth of their first child this month. (Hint – it’s a girl!)

- ▶ **Ed and Val Schubert** give praise that they have had the groundbreaking for the new Casa de Luz building in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. This will allow the ministry to children in the capital city to expand.

- ▶ **Ron and Brenda Anderson** will be returning to the USA in June for a six month sabbatical. Unfortunately, they will not be coming to PA but will be doing some studies on the west coast. The Andersons will be returning to Spain next year to take over the church planting program for ECMI in Spain. Currently we do not have a stateside address, but check with the GMC office before mailing anything to Andersons after June.

- ▶ We are happy to announce that the **India Work Team** is now filled! We have a number of folks going to work on the wall at Evangelical College of Theology, others will be doing some teaching. What a blessing that the EC Church from the USA can share with our EC brothers and sisters in Northeast India!

- ▶ We are trying something new with our Global Prayer Guide, starting this month. Every quarter we will feature one of our EC missionaries or missionary families. Many of you are only familiar with those whom your church supports, and we wanted to ‘introduce’ you to all of the members of our missionary family.

- ▶ **Rev. Lalrosiem Songate** will be returning home for the summer to see his family. He is presently studying for his doctorate at Concordia Seminary in Indiana. I’m sure his wife and children are eagerly looking forward to his arrival!

Randy and Chris Amberman
World Gospel Mission – Navajo Tribe in New Mexico



For the last ten years we have lived just a few miles off the edge of the Navajo reservation in a border town called Kirtland. It is a challenging place full of addictions, dysfunctional families, poverty, and hopelessness. We came here to shine the light of Christ into as many lives as we can. At first we were not sure how to begin, but in time God made it clear. I (Chris) was volunteering at the school and was appalled at how many children in the elementary grades still could not read. Then I would go home, and I was stumbling over extra kids; kids in the yard, kids in the living room. They just wanted something to do. In an attempt to address these two problems, I started inviting kids to come once a week and play games, read stories and make crafts. From that humble beginning sprang what we now call The Neighborhood Club. It is an after school program that serves kids from kindergarten through high school. We still do games and crafts but mostly we emphasize Bible stories or Bible studies for the older kids. We have several activities every year that include the families so that we get a chance to know them too. We also have some summer activities that we do with the kids. This helps us to stay connected with them through the whole year. God has been growing this group numerically and spiritually.

We have a home church that is part of a group of home churches called Freedom of Nations. We meet every Sunday in different homes. The Navajo people love their language and they love their Native sounds such as the drum, so we use those things to worship God. Randy sometimes leads the study of the Word and he also drums alongside the other men. He also teaches another Bible study in town every Wednesday.

We believe in Native leadership and are always looking for ways to help Native people step up and take the lead. A Navajo man leads the worship time at church and he often will bring the Word too. This year, for the first time, I have had a young Navajo girl come and help with the teen group.









It takes a long, long time here in the west to win the trust of Native people. God has blessed us with some long-term relationships among the people. Your prayers on our behalf are very much appreciated. Blessings to you!

MAY PRAYER CALENDAR INSIDE

EC GLOBAL PRAYER GUIDE



May 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
JUNE BIRTHDAYS June 5(2002) – Hannah Moury June 6 – Bonnie Bound * June 6(2000) – Kent Ehrman June 8 – Rev. Nick Lakatos June 11 – Wendy Toy <small>* INDICATES RETIREE (c) INDICATES CANDIDATE + INDICATES MISSIONS ASSOCIATE</small>		ANNIVERSARIES May 25 – Brian & Missy Wagner May 25 – Jamie & Anita Farr June 15 – BJ & Rachel Whitaker <small>* INDICATES RETIREE (c) INDICATES CANDIDATE + INDICATES MISSIONS ASSOCIATE</small>		1	2	3	4
		HERE AND THERE – Randy Sizemore		PRAYER NEEDS Pray for Rev. Elias Martinez, field leader of the EC Church of Mexico	National Day of Prayer – pray for our country and its leadership	Gloria Smethers – finishing year of deputation, preparing to relocate to FL	Pray for Rev. Th. Janga, field leader of the EC Church of Nepal 
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
– Valerie Schubert 	– Carolyn Miller – Jamie Farr 		May 8 – Church Center staff meeting – noon		– Carolyn Saltenberger * May 10 – India Work Team meeting – Church Center conference room – 7 p.m.		
PRAYER NEEDS Dan & Mary Lynne Wills – working with The Seed Company	Pray for Rev. L.B. Angam, General Director of the EC Church of India	Robert & Bettina Schaeffer – serving with LIFE in NY	Pray for all our EC church planters, in USA and abroad	Pray for EC Leadership as they prepare for National Conference	Carolyn Saltenberger – retiree in FL	Pray for Rev. Nobuo Abe, field leader of the EC Church of Japan	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
					– Rev. BJ Whitaker 		
PRAYER NEEDS Praise God for Christian mothers who lead their children to the Lord!	Ed & Val Schubert – praise for groundbreaking of new Casa de Luz building in Tegucigalpa	Jeremy & Kristen Kunkel – Jeremy leading team overseas, Kristen's health	David & Celia Dick – work with OMS, Celia's recovery from surgery	Dave & Conce Roof – building church physically & spiritually in northern Brazil	Rev. Lalrosiem Songate returns home to India for the summer – safety in travel	Jim Ehrman – serving with Love 146 and Rivendell Institute at Yale	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
– Genevieve Ehrman (2002) 	– Sarah Wilson (1992) 						
PRAYER NEEDS Jim & Janet Stahl – oral bible story training in SE Asia	Dorothy Stermer – retiree in Allentown, PA	Pray for Rev. Matthew Gueh, field leader of the EC Church of Liberia	Dan & Melinda Moury – increased work load for Dan	Pray for persecuted Christians around the world	Jim & Joan Farr – deputation and travel while in USA	Pray for GMC Director Rev. Randy Sizemore	
26	27	28	29	30	31		
	– Jonita Wilson (1997) 				– Mary Lynne Wills – Rev. Jack Murray * 		
PRAYER NEEDS Nick & Lisa Lakatos – need to raise more support in order to return to Mexico and serve	Jonathan & Kathy Wilson – returning from village in PNG to SIL headquarters In Ukarumpa	Tomoyuki & Jessica Abe – expecting their first child any day now	Opening day of National Conference	Pastors and lay delegates as they vote on many issues affecting future of the EC Church	Closing day of National Conference		
◀..... May 29-31 – National Conference at Messiah College, Grantham, PA▶							