

► **Ken Sears** returned to Ukraine this month after an 8 month furlough. Pray for him to get readjusted quickly to his responsibilities at Zaporozhye Bible College as well as his church. Pray also for good health.

► **Beth Grimm**, who reactivated as an EC missionary last October, underwent back surgery in late November to take care of chronic pain. She reports that the surgery was a success, and after a week of recuperation at her mother's, she headed home. Unfortunately, she overdid it a bit and wound up back in the hospital in early December. Beth is planning on going to Guatemala this month to do evaluations of MK's who may have learning disabilities, and create a learning plan for their teachers to aid the students. Please keep her in prayer that her back will be completely healed and travel will go well.

► **Ed and Val Schubert** returned to Honduras in late November/early December. Keep them in prayer for safety as they go about their work with disenfranchised women and children who live in the dangerous capital of Tegucigalpa.

► **Jonathan and Kathy Wilson** will be moving from New York to the missionary apartments in Lititz this month for the rest of their furlough in the USA. The address is 38 E. Orange Street, Lititz, PA 17543. The Wilsons will return to Papua New Guinea in July as empty nesters.

► Keep **Chris and Deb Bowers** in prayer as they minister in PA and visit family/friends on the east coast. Chris recently had some episodes of chest pain and difficulty breathing. Diagnostic tests didn't show any cause, and Chris is feeling better. They return to Washington state at the end of February.

► **Randy and Carla Sizemore**, along with pastors **Ralph Owens** and **Rick Sergi** will be going to Liberia this month (20th – Feb. 3rd) to be part of that field's annual conference and election of a new superintendent (Rev. Matthew Gueh's term has ended.) Please keep them in prayer for safety in travel and good health.

► **PLEASE NOTE** – There will not be an MMK Rally in March this year. The committee is taking this opportunity to regroup and focus on a better way to introduce the children of our denomination to Missions. We will make you aware of any future plans for a GMC sponsored MMK program.

► **Rev. Janga**, field leader in Nepal, reports that the government is still preventing oil and gas deliveries, which is causing a lot of hardship in the country. He must wait for the government to finish the road that leads to the property where the EC Church headquarters/orphanage is to be built before construction can begin. Please pray that this can be done soon, as the current building that Rev. Janga and his family are using is condemned due to damage from the spring earthquake.

► **REMINDER** – Applications for the **summer work team to Camp LIWA**, Fairbanks, AK, are due by the end of this month. Application forms can be downloaded from our EC website. Please contact the GMC office if you are interested or have questions. The email address is ecglobal@eccenter.com or call 1-800-866-7584.



NORTH EAST INDIA

Sensitive to the fact that each region of the diverse nation of India has its own unique culture and needs, the Evangelical Congregational work in India exists primarily in the state of Manipur, located in the hills of Northeast India. Ministering to the local tribal groups whose traditions are closely related to the Burmese (Myanmar) culture, the E.C. church has had a presence in India since 1966.



About 35% of the local Manipur population is Christian and Christ's movement in the region is unmistakable. Still, residual hate from a 1990s civil war hampers outreach by Christians to local Muslims and Hindus. Drug addiction and HIV are becoming major issues in the region and the E.C. Church is working hard to implement educational programs to help combat these problems.

Committed to reaching the world for Christ, the Evangelical Congregational Church of India (ECCI) has six conferences, with a total of about 60,000 members. ECCI's Department of Missions and Evangelism ministers in the neighboring states and countries of the region. Evangelical College of Theology serves as the Bible college and seminary for ECCI's members and also trains men and women from over 20 different denominations and faith traditions.

Currently the General Director of the EC Church of India is Rev. L.B. Angam. However, a new director will be elected in April. Please keep this process in prayer, as well as Rev. Dr. Lalrosiem Songate, who is finishing his Ph. D. and will return to lead the Evangelical College of Theology this summer.

Pat Strain

EC GLOBAL PRAYER GUIDE



JANUARY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2  - Jim Farr
					PRAYER NEEDS Thank the Lord for the gift of a new year to sing His praises!	Tomoyuki & Jessica Abe - Fuchinobe church plant in Japan
3  - Lamar Stoltzfus	4	5  - Jim Stahl	6	7	8  - Celia Dick	9
PRAYER NEEDS Gloria Smethers - ministering to retired missionaries at the AIM Center in Clermont, FL	Pray for Bishop Hill and our EC-USA leadership - wisdom in preparation for transitions in July	Art & Mary Ellen Davis - retiring again later this year.	Pray for EC Church-Japan as they build on the momentum from recent Tokyo crusade	David & Conce Roof - serving as church planters with OMS in northern Brazil	Pray for our missionary retirees , many still actively serving where and as they can	Ed & Val Schubert - ministering to women and children in Honduras
10  - Dan Wills	11	12	13	14	15	16
PRAYER NEEDS Jonathan & Kathy Wilson - relocating to Lititz PA for the second half of their year-long furlough	Keep the stationing committees in prayer as this will be a challenging year	Randy & Chris Amberman - work with Navajo youth and churches	Jamie & Anita Farr - Jamie's travel schedule, time with family, work load at Wycliffe	Pray for the Pastoral Assessment Center this weekend; both candidates and assessors	Rev. Dan Dixon - serving at Rift Valley Academy in Kijabe, Kenya	Beth Grimm - health and safety as she travels to Guatemala
17	18	19	20	21	22	23  - Anita Farr
PRAYER NEEDS Kurt & Nancy - need for more support, need to replace laptop so can communicate with students	Chris & Deb Bowers - health and safety while doing deputation in PA	Pray for our international church leaders - for wisdom and discernment of God's will	Keep EC delegation to Liberia in prayer for safety and good health	Ron & Brenda Anderson - guiding church planters in Spain, prison ministry	Pray for a Christian response to the refugee situation in Europe	Rev. Ken Sears - getting settled in after almost a year away from Ukraine
24	25	26  - Kathy Wilson	27	28	29	30  - Randy Amberman - Melinda Moury
PRAYER NEEDS Pray for EC Church-India - that the recent conference will produce desired unity of purpose and focus	Dave Hershey - serving as campus minister. New semester at PSU - Berks campus	Pray for our church planters , both in USA and around the world	BJ & Rachel Whitaker - church planters in Alcora, Spain	Barbara Erb - retired but still traveling to old field in Surinam	Pray for the health of our missionaries , that they may continue to serve well	Pray for the persecuted Church , especially in the Middle East
31  - Christopher Bowers						*DENOTES RETIREE
PRAYER NEEDS Brian & Missy Wagner - serving as teacher/administrators at RVA in Kenya						

ANNIVERSARIES
February 6 - Rev. Dan & Melinda Moury