

▶ **Jim and Joan Farr** returned to their village in mid-September to work with their translators. They will remain until November, putting the finishing touches on the editing of the Baruga New Testament. It is scheduled for dedication in June of 2018. Start saving those pennies - they would love to see some EC'ers at the dedication in PNG!

▶ **Rev. Dan Moury** will be going to Nepal this month for his job as videographer with Wycliffe. Dan will be using drone technology to help shoot aerial footage. Don't miss his article on this cutting edge use of technology for missions in the upcoming fall issue of Window on the World.

▶ **Chris & Deb Bowers**, living and working in Washington, report that while their area is still safe from the wildfires devastating much of the Northwest, they are feeling the effects of the smoke that is coming from the fires. They have had to cancel some of the pilots' training due to poor visibility and curtail outdoor activities due to the air quality. Keep them in prayer for safety and health.

▶ **Ed & Val Schubert**, along with their daughter Cheynece and a Honduran friend will be in the USA for October and November. They will be visiting friends and family, and especially catching up with sons AJ and Wes who are both in higher education here in the USA.

▶ **David Hershey** gives praise that he and his CSF members were able to hand out almost 300 'goodie' bags to incoming students at Penn State -Berks campus during the first week of September. Dave serves as a campus minister with the Christian Student Fellowship organization.

▶ **Gloria Smethers** will be in eastern PA from October 1-18, doing deputation and visiting with friends. Her Sundays are already booked, but if you would like to have Gloria speak during a weekday or weeknight, call the GMC office (1-800-866-7584) to make arrangements. Why not gather a small group for lunch or dinner and have Gloria share informally about her ministry?

▶ A **Pastors' Appreciation Lunch** will be held for pastors and wives on Friday, October 23rd, at Sinking Spring Community EC Church. Missionaries Ed & Val Schubert and Rev. Ken Sears will speak, and GMC Director Rev. Randy Sizemore will bring international church updates. The meal and program will be from noon to approximately 1:30. The meal is free, but reservations are required. Please call the GMC office at 1-800-866-7584 or email to ecglobal@eccenter.com by **October 9th**.

▶ The **Susquehanna Region Missions Brunch** will be held on Saturday, October 24th at Country Fare restaurant in Myerstown, PA. This is open to anyone interested in hearing an update about our EC missions program. The brunch will be 'Dutch treat', begin at 10 am. and finish by noon. Rev. Randy Sizemore will bring updates on the international churches. Reservations are necessary; please contact the GMC office (see details in previous paragraph) by **October 9th**.

▶ **Joe Toy** was able to distribute 230 tote bags of school supplies to needy school children in several different locations throughout Philadelphia. Many thanks to all who contributed time, tote bags, and/or supplies for this project.



NEPAL

Until May 28, 2008, Nepal was a constitutional monarchy. On that date, the constitution was altered to make the country a republic. The politics of Nepal function within a framework of a republic with a multi-party system.

Current Nepali politics is complicated by a number of factors and resembles a feudal society. No government or coalition has been able to provide adequate law and order in this country with numerous castes, political parties, and ethnic groups who have been traditionally held down. These groups use riots or strikes to influence the government; thus there is a culture of inaction and harassment in a poverty stricken and disaster prone country. Despite equality before the law, the caste system is a *de facto* fact of life. Part of the problem is special interest groups fighting for specific demands which cannot coexist at the same time, creating headaches for the government, which has proven to be ineffectual. Since the April 2015 earthquake, development gains are unraveling due to increasing political turmoil in spite of massive amounts of heavy international aid. (Source -Wikipedia)

In addition to the political and economic unrest, there is also persecution of Christians.



The constitution guarantees some religious freedom, but it is often ignored. People can choose their faith, but it is illegal to convert others. The EC Church of Nepal has struggled with many assaults on its pastors, leaders, and members because of their success in bringing people to the saving knowledge of Christ. Our leader, Rev. Th. Janga and his wife Mercy, have been personally threatened. Yet they continue to minister in this Hindu nation that desperately needs to hear the Good News. Most recently (September), Rev. Janga asked for prayer due to the strikes, causing the cost of all goods to go up and closing the schools for over a month.

EC RESPONSE:

The EC Church of Nepal is meeting the spiritual and physical needs of this nation through the planting of local churches, intentional discipleship, leadership training and a variety of hands-on ministries that meet the physical needs of orphans, widows and families. Over \$40,000 was raised to help EC members who lost their homes during the earthquake. We met our VBS Project goal to help with the building of the orphanage/headquarters building as well - over \$25,000 raised! PTL!

Pat Strain

EC GLOBAL PRAYER GUIDE



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ANNIVERSARIES October 16 – Jim & Janet Stahl November 1 – Kurt & Nancy G.			*DENOTES RETIREE		1	2
NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS November 2 – Barbara Erb * November 3 – Rev. Joe Toy, Jr. November 8 – Jane Heck * November 14 – Art Davis *			PRAYER NEEDS Pray for opportunities to share Christ with others around you – unsaved friends, neighbors, those you meet		Pray for Rev. Randy Sizemore , Director of EC Global Ministries & pastor of Dixon Bethel EC Church	Pray for the persecuted church around the world , especially in countries controlled by ISIS forces
4	5	6	7 – Adam Schubert (1996)	8	9	10 – Chrisanne Amberman
PRAYER NEEDS World Wide Communion – God’s people coming together to His table all over the globe!	Dan & Mary Lynne Wills – serving with TSC/Wycliffe at JAARS headquarters in NC	Wes & Mary Reimer – retired and living in Florida	Pray for the EC Church – USA leadership team as they move forward with the transition	Dan Moury – heading out to Nepal to shoot video for Wycliffe Bible Translators	Many thanks to all who support our missionaries both financially and with prayer	Jim & Janet Stahl – in Asia training oral culture Bible story tellers
11 – Mary Ellen Davis *	12 – Andrew Roof (1995)	13	14	15	16 – Brian Wagner	17
PRAYER NEEDS EC Church of Liberia as they continue to deal with the aftermath of the Ebola health crisis; wisdom on how to move forward	Roy & Sue Haglund – serving with MAF in Meridian, Idaho	Pray for wisdom and mercy for those dealing with the immigrant situation in western Europe	EC Church of India – trouble in Manipur among tribals is affecting our churches and members	Jim Ehrman – director of Love 146 and Rivendell Institute at Yale University	EC Church of Nepal as they continue to deal with those affected by the spring earthquake	Yoriyoshi & Emiko Abe – training to serve with Franklin Graham Tokyo Japan crusade next month
18 – Rev. Jim Bound *	19	20	21 – Josiah Moury (2004)	22	23	24
PRAYER NEEDS Joe Toy – open air ministry in the greater Philadelphia area, as well as Camden NJ	Jim & Joan Farr – in villages until November. Pray for health and travel safety	Pray for GMC meetings held today	John & Carolyn Miller – working with Bru related language translators on NT books	Pray for the National Ministry Team as they work out details for upcoming changes in our denomination	GMC sponsored Pastors’ Lunch at Sinking Spring Community Church	Susquehanna Region Missions Brunch – Country Fare Restaurant, Myerstown
25	26	27	28 – Brandon Farr (2006)	29 – Rebekah Moury (2009)	30	31
PRAYER NEEDS EC Church-Japan as they prepare to take part in Franklin Graham’s Tokyo Crusade in November	Rev. Jack Murray – retired missionary but still active in California	Pray for our EC church planters , both in the USA and around the world	EC Church of Mexico as they continue to work towards becoming our next National Conference	Robert & Bettina Schaeffer – working with LIFE Ministries; pastoring in St. Clair, PA	Pray for our missionaries who serve among people bound by dark spirits	Lamar & Janice Stoltzfus – administrators at Rift Valley Academy in Kijabe, Kenya