

Mission News – September 2022
(please try to use prayer guides daily)

MONDAY – Today, please remember and pray for our partnership in Ghana with **the Rt. Rev. Matthias Medadues-Badohu, Bishop of the Diocese of Ho**, our Companion Diocese. Bishop Matthias, in a recent email, sent well wishes to our congregation and included four specific prayer items: (1) for God to open up ways for successful clearance of the Mobile Clinic which is still at the Port of Ghana, and one has to go through a lot of bureaucracy before it is cleared; (2) economic hardship we are going through as a nation which is having a serious and devastating impact on clergy remuneration (For months now, we struggle to pay stipends, the equivalent of US \$80 a month per priest for our clergy workforce of ten priests); (3) for more priests as many are not attracted to what we go through as clergy; (4) for faith to carry the cross we daily bear. Please pray earnestly for these needs and that, through His great mercy and love, many Ghanaians will be added to God's forever family.

TUESDAY – **Matt and Chaundra Eagar (Mission Aviation Fellowship)** returned to Fredericton two years ago from Uganda because of their daughter **Charlie's** medical needs. (Charlie is now feeling good and has begun Special Olympics basketball!) Matt has started his third fire season as Chief Pilot with Forest Protection Limited and Chaundra serves MAF by connecting with their staff around the world to tell their stories through writing in MAF's publications and sharing in-person. This past June she was in Moldova working and training with partners on the ground to help implement the beginnings of trauma counseling for Ukrainian refugees. With MAF, they have just put a permanent display in the NB Aviation Museum along with a contribution of Gina Jordan's flight memorabilia. Gina was a much loved member of our Stone family for many years and was the second female MAF pilot and the first female to hold an airline transport pilot's license. Please keep the Eagar family in your prayers. Chaundra says, "Without you, our planes would not fly, our staff wouldn't be in these countries, and God's love wouldn't reach the ends of the earth."

WEDNESDAY – **Charlie Ritchie (Pathfinders Fellowship in Vietnam)** is supporting church planting efforts in the North and Central Regions of Vietnam. He mentors and trains Vietnamese house church leaders in ministry to drug addicts, business and professional folk, University students and local church congregations, some of which are comprised of ethnic minorities. He travels to Vietnam from Fredericton for 8 months of the year to support the development of a mission training school in Danang, Vietnam. Please pray for God's blessing on this ministry of equipping the saints to share the Good News of the Gospel within their sphere of influence. Pray, too, that Charlie will continue to find Jesus to be sufficient as he faces a second year without his beloved Betty.

THURSDAY – **Barbara Shantz (ShareWord Global)** sent along the following requests: 1. Please pray for the effectiveness in sharing the Gospel with Arabic-speaking children. Our children's scripture magazine, "Spark!" has been translated into Arabic and is being introduced in the Middle East and in the next months, in Canada. 2. Please pray for the effectiveness in sharing the Gospel with indigenous peoples in the Arctic Circle of Canada. It is a new effort that the Anglican church is leading in many communities there. 3. Please pray for those churches who have hosted the "IGNITE" conferences in Canada and in several countries around the world. As we light the fire of evangelism training in local churches, may it not go out! Not only is Jesus the light of the world, but He said that WE are the light of the world! (Matthew 5:14-16) As soon as we wake up in the morning, we are the light of the world. We mustn't cover that up. "In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."

FRIDAY – **Reed Fleming (Threshold Ministries Saint John)** has kindly provided us with

new prayer fuel: 1. Please pray for Steve MacDonald who will take the position of Night Assistant at Threshold House. He comes with a wealth of experience in the 'world of addictions'. We are praising God for providing a most suitable person for such a specialized position. 2. Pray for preaching and public relations opportunities for me (Reed) as we continue to emerge from lock downs. 3. Please pray for at least two more residents to come to us in the next few months. 4. Pray for T. as he plans his next steps as he finishes his year with us toward the end of the year. 5. Pray for my (Reed's) health and strength. I have been dealing with some 'back' issues which have hampered the ministry. 6. Pray for the 12 step studies we will be holding this fall on Tuesday nights. 7. Pray that the Solution Group which meets every Thursday might be powerfully used to direct folks to sobriety and health through surrender to Christ.

SATURDAY – Mark (Cherilyn) Orr (Director of Leadership Training Ministries) is looking forward to running the second part of “Leading Next” for emerging church leaders in Peru this September. Participants come from the Amazon region. Shortly after the training in Peru, there is another opportunity to share the leadership course with a team in Bosnia. Please pray for far reaching impact from these two upcoming events. Meanwhile Cherilyn remains busy with the pre-launch phase of her Focus on the Family book publication. Orr family life still very much includes a Syrian refugee family who remain very dependent upon them. Praise God that the father was finally able to get a temporary job after months of searching. Pray that he will succeed at his job and begin to provide for his family. Finally, please pray for the Orrs’ adopted daughter **Siarah** who has started a work experience program in Langley, BC. Friends and a church family have warmly embraced her and provide support to Siarah who has had emotional/mental health issues in the past. *(The Orr family are Canadians but they are strategically based in Greece to oversee LTM operations. LTM headquarters is in Langley BC)*

SUNDAY – Pastor Fred Dunganon, Director Dawn for the Poor (project of Overseas Missionary Fellowship in Manila, Philippines), is delighted that, as of June 2022, they have 336 scholars in their *Sponsorship Program* with 10 students graduating from university this year. Please pray for God’s provision for the school needs of 101 unsponsored Youth and Kids and for the training of Youth leaders in discipleship ministry among the students. Many medical volunteers on the *Community Health Team* have had to leave recently and prayers are requested for spiritual outreach to patients and for new volunteers to join the team. Pray, too, for *Child and Youth Development Programs* with groups of 20-30 kids gathered in various locations with the aim of growing them in their faith and service to the Lord. The Government requires that DFP’s *Livelihood Programs* hire a Social Worker, so please pray for this need and for God’s provision for staff and fruitful business partnerships. A note of praise to conclude, the *Church Movement* has been expanding with 5 active house churches in Marikina and 8 in Tanay. These towns are two new DFP locations; part of their *Project 25* with the goal of 25 new house churches by 2025. To God be the Glory!