

OUTREACH Prayer Update

October, 2011

Our church planters depend on the prayers and encouragement of God's people.

OUTREACH NORTH AMERICA provides this monthly prayer letter to inform you of some of their specific needs and praises so you will know better how to pray for them. Thank you for your prayers and the interest you show by your phone and e-mail responses. Your prayers truly encourage your church planters. (See the bottom of this e-mail for a summary of all the mission churches included in this update.)

In general

- Pray for the October presbytery meetings and new missions and exploratory works being considered by presbyteries.

Canadian Presbytery

Kingston, Ontario

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Catawba Presbytery

Dallas, Texas

Church Planting Residency exploring a potential church plant

David and Margaret Winburne david@kingsparish.com

Praise

- The need for an ARP Church in the huge city of Dallas, TX is more and more evident to our core group.
- The process of working on a church plant proposal has united the core group in many, many ways. For this we are most thankful.
- We have had many visitors at our meetings.
- Our core group of families are very united and enthusiastic about planting a church that is reformed in doctrine, pastoral in nature and evangelistic in outlook.

Prayer

- That we would grow in depth and width. We desire to see a church that reaches the lost, shepherds its people, and grows in grace.
- For the Catawba Presbytery meeting on Oct. 11; (specifically) that our church plant proposal would be acceptable to the brothers and that our work in Dallas would be funded for three years until we can be self-supporting.
- For continued growth and depth as we continually meet and greet more and more people who need a church that knows and personally cares for its sheep.
- For a family that has been attending our meetings. They are from a Church of Christ background.

Grace Presbyterian Church, Pontiac, SC

Daughter church of First Presbyterian Church of Columbia

Brandon and Elizabeth Barrett brandon@gracepresarp.org

Lake Wylie/ Rock Hill, SC

Church Planting residency at Living Waters

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First Presbytery

African ARP Mission, Charlotte, NC

Rev. Zachary and Ruth Kariuki zkariuki@yahoo.com

Pray

- For Mr. Kariuki as he balances work with ministry.
- For direction for this ministry in the future.
- For opportunities to reach the Kenyan Community in Charlotte and for a good response from the contacts made.

Asheville, NC

Church Planting Residency exploring a potential church plant

Duff and Kristi James thomasduffyjames@gmail.com

Praise

- For the safe delivery of our 2nd daughter, Eliza (she is 2 months old now).
- For the 5 people who have shown interest in being part of the core group for the plant.

Pray

- For the solidification of the core group -- that they might catch the vision and mission of the church.
- For growth in relationships with our non-Christian friends and for the right opportunity to share the gospel.
- For the Presbytery meeting on Oct. 11, where the proposal for the church plant will be presented for approval.
- For more people to join the core group.
- For the provisional session and its members (who are still being gathered just now).

Brookside Presbyterian Church, ARP, Boone, NC

Rev. Larry and Joyce Young drlarryyoung@msn.com

www.BooneBrooksideChurch.org

Praise

- For good Sabbath attendances.
- Give thanks for the many visitors who came to hear Doc Watson provide special music at the church.

Pray

- That some of these visitors will return and become part of the Brookside congregation.
- For visitors to attend, especially as we approach the season when summer Floridians head south.

Centerpoint ARP Church, Lewisville, NC
Rev. Bob and Joyce Wilson bobwc21@aol.com
www.centerpointarp.org

Praise

- For God's provision for a meeting place, and sustaining us financially.

Pray

- Our greatest need is for more people/families to join with us in this church plant effort.

Christ Coastal Church, Southport, NC
Rev. Walt and Val Shepard waltsheward@gmail.com

Pray

- We are negotiating with a deacon board from Shoreline Baptist for the use of their chapel, called Seaside Chapel. We are asking the Lord for a musician, and then we want to make the move into a public place.
- While we are not large by any means, we think it best to "go public" soon and see if we can attract folk with gospel preaching.

Praise

- I am so very grateful for a new computer--as soon as our son got back from deployment he bought us a new Dell.
- We give thanks for another out of town wedding that went off nicely, and for a son's return from yet another deployment and a fine promotion. Our prayers are that the USAF so promotes him to where he can live on the East Coast.
- Work at the Security Agency has been strenuous of late . . . lots of unrest and pressures on the staff.
- Many thanks for your prayers!

Christ Church ARP, Denver, NC
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Pray

- For an outreach seminar October 21-22 "The Art of Marriage."
- For wisdom as a new location is considered.
- For the provision for land for the mission.

Give thanks

- For the Men's Fellowship and the monthly fellowship luncheons.

Christ Church ARP, Southern Pines, NC
and Freedom Bridge Mission, Wagram, NC

Pray

- For the ministry in these locations to be renewed and for leaders to emerge.

DaySpring Presbyterian, Mocksville, NC
Rev. David and Sandra Olah, Supply

Pray

- For the wisdom to work through the challenges associated with this work.

Faith Chapel ARP, Pleasant Garden, NC

Rev. Terry and Mary Crahen reformedalive@earthlink.net

<http://faithchapelarpc.com>

Praise

- For recent visitors, including a couple that has now been with us for the last five weeks.

Pray

- For renewed, sharper and larger vision for Faith Chapel.
- For energy and strength for us to press on.
- For grace for members who are juggling multiple responsibilities.
- For a replacement for our musician, who will be retiring in December.
- For wisdom and grace for us as we work to overhaul our website.
- For people who will share our vision and come to Faith Chapel with a desire to serve.
- For effective and winsome witness in the community and workplace for all of us.
- For worship that is God-honoring, uplifting and edifying.

Good Shepherd Community Church, Indian Trail, NC

Pray

- For the provision of a mission developer.
- For the search for a new location once the lease to the present building expires.

Grace Church Leith, Leith, Scotland

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Follow this link to watch a short video about Leith

<http://www.reformissionscotland.com/about/leith/>

Praise

- Give thanks for the successful launch of this mission with over 80 in attendance at the first service.
- We're so thankful for all that God has been doing in the past month since the public launch of Grace Church Leith. I cannot stress enough, how encouraging it has been to know your prayers and encouragement over the past 18 months. It has been such a blessing to know that people are committed to praying for us and for the lives of those we are seeking to reach.
- Give thanks for the first weeks. They have been a huge encouragement. Numbers have remained steady and we're seeing new faces each week.
- Give thanks that our midweek community group has already outgrown our living room! We are starting a second group in the next couple of weeks. Please pray for Kenny and Heather McGibbon who will host that group.

- Give thanks for the non-Christians who are coming along on Sunday. It was great to see a non-Christian neighbor of one of our core group couples invite his non-Christian friend along this past Sunday.
- Give thanks for the servant heartedness of those in the church. It has been such a huge blessing to see their commitment and willingness to set up and take down all the equipment at our venue each week. We're so grateful to God for the people he has sent to be part of the church. Please pray for their ongoing encouragement.
- Give thanks for the deepening friendships in the church. Each Sunday, time together extends well into the evening as people return to homes to share food and fellowship together.

Pray

- That those who attended will be drawn into the ministry of the church.
- For our non-Christian contacts. Pray that those relationships would deepen and that God's Spirit would open their hearts and minds to the gospel.
- For our new ministry assistant Andrew Court, his wife Helen and their daughter Hannah. They have joined us to develop the necessary skills to plant a second church in the coming years. We're very thankful to have them and we're excited to all that God has planned for them. Pray for them as they settle into the area and build contacts in the area. If you would like to be added to Andrew and Helen's prayer list please email: andrew@gracechurchleith.org
- For us as a family. That we would continue to seek to put Christ at the heart of family life and rely on Him in all circumstances.
- That I would lead faithfully, conscientiously and courageously in the weeks and months ahead.

Grace Community Church, Black Creek, NC

Rev. Randy and Sally Jenkins jenkinseleven@gmail.com

Give thanks

- For the completion of the new building and the first service held there on October 2.

Pray

- That many in the community will be drawn into the congregation.

Grace Hill Church, Hillsborough, NC

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<http://gracehillchurch.net>

Give thanks

- For a core of committed volunteers.
- For God's faithfulness and graciousness to us regarding our current facility.

Pray

- For relationship building, connections, and ultimately for visitors to worship.
- For the Spirit to press application and conviction from our last sermon series on witness in Acts (Acts 1-9). Pray for all to have the faith and courage of Peter, Stephen, Philip, and Ananias in connecting with friends, neighbors and coworkers.
- For move of God's Spirit in Hillsborough, Chapel Hill, Durham and Mebane, and for God to use Grace Hill in making his glory and goodness known.

- For our 2nd - 5th graders that are in special program (two weeks in adult worship, two weeks in SS class) to help them appreciate and enjoy the adult worship service.
- For God to lead us in understanding his will as we start to explore facility options at the end of our current lease (Spring 2012).

Hope Chapel ARP Church, Greensboro, NC

Rev. Todd Jones, staff@hopechapelgreensboro.org

Pray

- That God would bring new folks from our surrounding neighborhoods to visit Hope Chapel.

Praise

- For the continued growth we are experiencing and pray for us as we are in the final phases of up fitting a permanent rental facility in our target area. We hope to be in the building by January 1. Pray for the financial support needed for the up fit of the building and pray for our overall finances as we are now completely on our own.

Johnson City, TN – exploratory work

Bethesda Presbyterian Church, ARP

Give thanks

- For the many new visitors attending services and the many new contacts that are being made.
- For the high attendance of 44 at a recent service.

Pray

- For the search for a mission developer.

Northside Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, NC

Rev. Paul and Jo Traub ptraub@juno.com

Pray

- For the mission as it launches out with new ministries to the community in the fall.
- For more visitors and for new families to be drawn into the church.

Pinecrest Hispanic Mission, Hendersonville, NC

Pray

- For Pastor Unda as he transitions to the military chaplaincy.
- For the finding of a new mission developer.

Rodam Korean ARP Church, Pineville, NC

Rev. Eun Joo and Kim Young Yup Kim kejcs@hanmail.net

Pray

- For Pastor Kim as he juggles work and ministry.
- For more people to be drawn into the church.

Tapestry ARP Church, Charlotte, NC

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Pray

- For the enthusiasm of the core group as it regroupes.

- For the new people attending the services to be drawn into the congregation.
- For the success of the various outreaches planned for the fall and for the success of those activities.

Triangle Onnuri Korean ARP Church, Raleigh, NC

Rev. Abraham and Sungmi Ji Biblestoryteller@gmail.com

Give thanks

- For the stability and growth of the congregation.
- For the Fuller Memorial Church, and the relationship between the two churches.

Florida Presbytery

Tampa Chinese Presbyterian Church, Tampa, FL

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Christ Community, Apollo Beach, FL

Rev. Charlie and Coco Lewis Charlie@christcommunityfl.com

www.christcommunityfl.com

Pray

- Pray that the newly formed ministry teams will begin to implement some new initiatives to equip our people and reach the community for Christ.
- Pray that the plans we have made will be in harmony with God's plan for our church and that He will bless our efforts.
- Pray that God will grow and expand Christ Community Church this fall
- Pray for the outreach events that we have planned in October - a car wash and a movie/date night.
- Pray for Emma Lewis (Pastor Charlie's daughter). She spent the last week in the hospital due to a fever from a virus and a weakened immune system. Pray for her health and strength during this final stretch of her chemotherapy which concludes in February 2012.

Praise

- Praise God for the Christ Community Church family. Thank Him for building relationships and teaching people that they can lean on each other when they have needs.
- Thank Him for inspiring our members to devote their time to building His church.

Fort Myers, FL

Rev. Steve and Rachel Reynolds sc_reynolds@comcast.net

Church Planting Residency exploring a potential church plant

Praises

- We are seeing strong interest in a couple of potential families of leaders in coming alongside and becoming part of the church plant.
- We are continuing to make inroads with some unbelieving friends, gaining a hearing for the gospel.
- We have some friends who may move into the area to help with the church plant.

Pray

- The work is slow. Pray for the Spirit to continue to open hearts to Him.
- The Church Planting Proposal will be reviewed and acted upon at the Presbytery and Synod levels over the next 2 months. The proposal must be approved before we move forward.
- Continue to pray that we may make more connections in the plant area as we plant the gospel, looking forward to harvesting a church!

SonLife Church, Jacksonville, FL

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www.sonlifejax.com

Praise

- Two young people, Megan and Marquis, have given their lives to Christ.
- For our prayer partners, that God would increase their faith and ours.
- For our financial supporters, that God would increase their incomes.
- We love our new room at the Holiday Inn.
- Leaders are rising to the top.

Pray

- That God would bless our efforts for the Downs Syndrome Association of Jacksonville to reach more families.

Mississippi Valley Presbytery

Havana ARP Church, Havana, AR

Rev. Moises and Cindy Chan havanaarpc@yahoo.com

Pray

- For Mr. Dickson, an elder from our area in Havana; He is in Little Rock with a heart condition.
- For Jose Garcia, the son of Jorge, one of the Hispanics that visits our church on special services. His son wants to get married and asked me for counsel with the marriage plans. I met the young lady, and his mother is very critical with cancer.

Praise

- For Jorge who seems to have found a job.
- For Zach, a young man who prayed with me this week. He is attending Arkansas Tech. University. Pray that the Lord would continue to work in his life and that our friendship would guide him closer to the Lord.

Northeast Presbytery

All Nations Mission Church of NY, New York City, NY

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Christ Presbyterian Church, Grove City, PA

Rev. Dr. Iain and Barbara Duguid ibduguid@gmail.com

Praise

- Several new families with children have been worshipping with us, which means we now have children in the nursery every week.
- Many old faces were back for homecoming weekend: it was a reminder that the church plant is already having an impact much more widely than just in Grove City. We need to buy more chairs to keep up with attendance.
- Matt and Rebecca Harmon have been a great encouragement. Rebecca is a new French professor at the College and Matt is ordained in the PCA. They have jumped right in to help with the ministry.

Prayer

- Our treasurer, Denny Wise, underwent surgery for a tumor on the pituitary gland last week. At the start of the procedure, the surgeon accidentally nicked the carotid artery. The surgery then turned into a long but successful attempt to stem the bleeding. Denny is now home, but faces a couple of months of recovery before the process must begin again.
- We need men who can be trained as elders and deacons.
- Our intern, Jonathan Kuciamba, is beginning studies at RPTS in Pittsburgh. Pray for him as he balances studies with work and family responsibilities.

Communion Presbyterian Church, Irvine, CA

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Praise

- For wonderful Baptism Sundays.
- Some folks looking for work have had promising interviews and leads and jobs.
- Some recent visitors have blessed us with grace and repeat visits.

Pray

- Some of our elderly saints are carrying infirmities that are painful and life threatening.
- For our upcoming conference: www.reformationOCconference.com.
- For our participation in the city-wide global festival.
- For continued encouragement by local Presbyterian ministers.
- For our church to continue to grow and minister and proclaim the praises of Him who has saved us!

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Global Vision ARP Church, Flushing, NY

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Good News Community Church, Gilbert, AZ

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www.goodnewspress.com

Praise

- Attendance has been steady.
- A teenager wrote a Christmas pageant for her family (6 children) last year and has offered to do it with our SS children.

- Bible study has been enlarged with our new family and their 3 older children.
- A family of 5 who attended communicants' class are going to join.

Pray

- More visitors would come.
- God's leading in our purchase of a property we have found with 1.9 acres on a main road.
- That our elder, John Dase's health will improve.
- That Sodik, our Ukrainian refugee, will find a full time job with benefits.

Iranian Christian Church of Washington, D.C.

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Tri-State Community Church, WV

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Pacific Presbytery

Fullness of Joy, La Crescenta, CA

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Praise the Lord, Los Angeles, CA

Rev. Suk Ho Jin sukhoj@gmail.com

Sharon Presbyterian Church, Tijuana Baja California, Mexico

Rev. Pablo Song iglesiacf@hanmail.net

Pray

- For church construction.
- For discipleship.
- For an accompanist during our Praise Service.
- Health for Pastor Pablo Song and Pastor Keith Park.

Second Presbytery

Clemson Korean Presbyterian Church

Rev. Jae Park jaeparkl@hotmail.com

International Community Outreach Mission, Atlanta, GA

- Pray for the future of the church after the death of the evangelist who had been developing the work, Rev. Isaac Gitundu.
- Pray for Isaac's family.

Travelers ARP Mission, Travelers Rest, SC

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Praise

- For God's continued faithfulness and blessings.
- For the faithfulness of the people God has brought to Travelers.

- For the blessings even when "the Lord gives and takes away" (Job 1:21).
- We had a significant family who God sent to us who in 2 months are gone due to a job change.

Pray

- For opportunities to advance the Kingdom.
- For more visitors, prospects, and new members.
- For health for several of our members who are dealing with significant health issues.

Tennessee-Alabama Presbytery

Hanmaum ARP Korean, Madison, Alabama

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Pray

- For us as we prepare for the Tennessee/Alabama Presbytery fall meeting at the church.

Riverside Presbyterian, Prattville, AL

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Virginia Presbytery

- Pray for opportunities to establish core groups and plant churches in our presbytery. We have been praying and asking the Lord where He would have us do a demographic study for the purpose of starting a new work, because we know that he knows where the hearts are ready to receive the gospel.

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