



MISSIONS UPDATE

"Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples..."

1 Chronicles 16:24

NEWS FROM STATESIDE

Most people think missionaries live in foreign countries, but many of those we support reside here in the USA! Here is the latest news from three of them - the Crums, who began ministry while at EGCC; the Wilsons, who were living in Africa but are home fighting cancer; and Cherie Vedder, who recently retired from Capital Region youth ministry.



ALEX & LAURA CRUM
TEXAS (WYCLIFFE/SIL INT'L)

The complex linguistic software developed by Alex's team to accelerate worldwide biblical translation has been used to produce helpful hand-washing guides in hundreds of languages! Like so many others, he and Laura are navigating the challenges of working remotely with home-schooled children. They pray these difficult circumstances lead to the salvation of millions of lost.



MARK & RAE WILSON
IOWA (SIM BY PRAYER)

Mark is currently undergoing chemotherapy; part of a 2-year long cancer battle. Their work is with the Maninka people in West Africa and they have continued to work on biblical translation (audio materials) while home in Iowa, celebrating a recent success when audio files reached a man with a computer who could share the message in his village.



CHERIE VEDDER
NEW YORK (YOUTH FOR CHRIST)


Cherie worked with CityLife, a division of Capital District YFC that was focused on urban youth. In obedience she helped engage impressionable young hearts and minds in their own walks with the Lord and it was our privilege to support her efforts for so many years. A heartfelt thank you to you and Rick for your decades of service!



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If your household is interested in sending a care package, children's artwork, or some words of encouragement to one of our active or retired missionaries, know that it would be deeply appreciated! Please email Caroline at missions_board@egcchurch.org

PRAYER NEEDS & PRAISES

Please join us in prayer around the following concerns. As the pandemic drags on, faith and encouragement will no doubt wane in a virtual setting. Our missionaries will be looking for new strategies to accomplish their goals to reach believers and unbelievers. They will need wisdom, discernment, and encouragement!

All our Missionaries:

- That they stand firm in their faith despite great uncertainty
- That their efforts bear fruit for the kingdom of God
- That the Lord strengthen their physical and emotional health

Alex & Laura Crum:

- Prayers to find solitude with God, for parenting wisdom while juggling competing demands, healing from insomnia and fatigue
- Prayers for financial provision, including a new housing situation
- Praises they could continue schooling and work on a property that abuts an 80-acre woodland with trails

Mark & Rae Wilson:

- Prayers for continued healing in Mark's ongoing battle with cancer and relief of their discouragement and depression
- Prayers for them to sense God's presence in very real ways
- Praise that they remain connected to African translation and archive work while undergoing treatment in the US

Cheri Vedder:

- That the Lord guide her in this new season of transition
- That her successor at YFC brings fresh energy to the outreach
- Praise for her dedication to raising up a generation of Capital District youth who love the Lord

Look out for the next installment of the Missions Update, where the EGCC Missions Board will share news from different supported missionaries and programs.

"THEN I HEARD THE VOICE OF THE LORD SAYING, "WHOM SHALL I SEND? AND WHO WILL GO FOR US?" AND I SAID, "HERE AM I. SEND ME!"

ISAIAH 6:8