

MISSIONS connection

December 5, 2018

Birthdays:

December: 13 Gwynette Yoho 18 Jennifer Rickman
20 David Crow 26 Thomas Queen

**Thomas, Paige, Elizabeth &
Jacob Queen**

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We made it to the USA but unfortunately our bags did not. Pray they come soon and don't get tampered. It was great seeing our family and friends again. We were so thankful to everyone who prayed for our safe travels and help pick us up. Please pray for us this week in these areas:

Paige's dad has a big procedure Wednesday to try to repair and reopen his esophagus. Pray for success and healing for him. Pray for Paige's mom too as she needs strength and endurance too during this time. Her gum is still swollen from the tooth procedure so pray for that to resolve soon.

Thomas graduates from Southeastern seminary this Friday so we will be traveling up there later this week to celebrate. Traveling mercies would be awesome.

Jacob takes the ACT this Saturday. Pray for his preparation to go well and success on the test.

Elizabeth has finals coming up and a large group project due this week. Also pray for her future decisions about getting a Masters.

Lastly, pray for our jet lag to be over soon. Pray for a refreshing time at home. That's the scoop on us this week. We look forward to seeing all our friends and family this week and are always so thankful for your prayer support.

BJabc

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Africa; 4551 Old Dalton Rd NE, Rome, GA 30165*

Team - This week has a number of moving parts taking place. ES (long-term volunteer) ends her 1 year term here with us and returns to the States and new opportunities. Ask that we will commission her well and that she will lean on the Father as He begins to reveal what "next steps" look like for her. JB heads to the States for a time with family this month. Ask for a great time of refreshment and memory making. KT, DH, MJ, and RT are plugging away at language this month and we are asking for continued progress and growth in language and cultural acquisition. WT will be finishing up preparations for their home in the countryside. Ask for favor as he works with local contractors to make the necessary changes to have a home that is suited for their family. The L3 family are wrapping up their last month of time Stateside and will be returning to us the beginning of the new year. Ask for a great last month, for medical clearance, and quality time as they leave hl behind for her 2nd semester of college. The S2 are in the States for the month spending time with their local fellowship, children and grandchildren. Ask for a great time of rest and memory making for the two of them as well. Finally, JK is in his final month in the States as he prepares for a semester long internship beginning next year. Ask that the logistics will work out smoothly and that the Father will continue to prepare him for his time serving here with our team.

Volunteers - We are looking forward to our friend, JW, returning to work with us this coming week. Ask for good health, smooth travel, and for safety as he helps us make strides forward with the bunkhouse. The bunkhouse is a critical piece to our team's presence in the countryside. It will allow our family, veterinarian, Ag interns, and volunteers to have a place to stay as we work in the countryside. Due to the shortage of adequate lodging, we are grateful for how the Father has provided the resources and

knowledge to help us stay on track and moving forward. Ask that the Father will pour out His favor on JW and his week here with us.

National Friends - We are so encouraged by the way our friends are remaining faithful to their task of making d's and planting ch's here in the Horn. We have friends training a multitude of people groups in oral strategies to tell and teach others. Ask that the Father will continue to sustain their family and work. We have friends that are faithfully telling the family, friends, and neighbors. Praise Him for the new Sparrow believers that decided to follow Him this past week. We have families that are meeting faithfully in areas where there is no "brick and mortar" ch and are standing strong in the face of persecution. Ask that they will continue to be encouraged and built up by the Body, the Word, and the HS. We have national friends that are living in places where there is unrest and many who are in need of physical and spiritual help. Ask that these brothers and sisters will be "light" in the darkness. Ask that the Father will provide tangible ways for the ch to demonstrate the love and sufficiency of the Son. Finally, we have faithful brothers and sisters that are intentionally going into hard places to find people of peace that will hear the good news and willingly share that good news with others in their community. Ask that the Father will continue to prepare Sparrows' hearts to hear and respond to the good news. Ask that our brothers and sisters will work hard to make Him known and that the Father will draw many to Him for salvation and changed lives.

Run for God:

*Mitchell & Holly Hollis
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We had a precious Decision for Christ this past week and are so thankful for your prayers as we seek God's guidance through each day in this ministry. We had an Instructor from Huntsville, Alabama share some things with us that we thought you would enjoy. She just completed her 9th Season of Run for God 5k Challenge! Wow! And she had open-heart surgery this past year. We prayed her through it and she is back out there running and leading her class. We continue to say, we serve a monumental God. She shared that Thanksgiving week she was having trouble with her lesson (Technology) so she chose a different devotion. Rhonda wrote, "The story really struck a chord with one student and she burst into tears. It was about frustration. She told us that her boyfriend who she was deeply in love with and looking forward to a future with died from cancer a year ago and that she had not been able to move past it. The worst part was that it happened rather quickly and she was out of the country at the time and couldn't get back in time to say goodbye. She is still grieving very deeply and desperately wants peace so she started going back to church, reading her Bible, and she joined our Run for God group, but she still doesn't have peace. She said she can see it in us and wants what we have. She also said that she feels different when she is with us and she loves coming to class because of it. We prayed with her and asked the Holy Spirit to give her the peace she so desperately needs. On the day of her goal race, I told her about the "different" story I had to use in the study that night. I told her, 'See, God is looking out for you. He loves you and He's going to take care of you.' That seemed to really affect her. She's coming back next season and I'm looking forward to watching what God does in her life."

Thank you for praying! - The Run for God Team

Bryan & Brittany Kelly

*Brittany is the preschool director at Severns
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We are less than a month away from our new worship center grand opening. Pray for Bryan as he continues to work on this huge project! We couldn't be more excited for our expansion; we just pray God uses it for His glory to grow His kingdom. I have parent child dedication this weekend. We have 10 families dedicating children. Pray for me, as I am battling what we think may be the flu.

We have lots going on in this season, so next week we will be able to step away for a vacation. Pray for our vacation travels please. Pray we get rest and rejuvenation to come back and finish the year out strong. We love and miss yall.

Justin & Sara Silvers

Youth Minister currently searching for a ministry job.
Lives in Gracey, KY

Our interview over the weekend went great, and we are now waiting. Also we found out some unfortunate news regarding our oldest daughter: there is a possibility that we could lose her. Nothing is set in stone, so that is something else that we are waiting on. There has also been an opening for a youth minister position locally. Just continue to pray for God's direction.

Mark & Gynnette Yoho

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Tonight our church is doing a trunk or treat and our puppet Ministry is going to be doing some skits to teach biblical truth at the Trunk or Treat. I've been busy making a stage and props and planning the whole puppet Outreach. I'll update you next week on what happened. As you pray please remember to pray for our calendar. Especially for spring that God would put more revivals or evangelistic meetings our outreaches on our 2019 calendar. Got to run. Thanks for praying and supporting us. Blessings

Chad & Emily Keeter

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We had a great time with family last week during Thanksgiving! We're so grateful for each of you, and we're thankful to God for Grove Level. Thank you for faithfully lifting us to the Father. We're excited to share with you that we have been invited to move to Knoxville, TN to work on campus with The Navigators at The University of Tennessee! Lord willing, we'll be moving in May to join the staff team there for the next school year. We're actually driving to Knoxville tomorrow to visit their Nav Night and be introduced to the students there. Please pray for us to have safe travels. Also, would you be praying for us as we seek to finish well here in Athens (this semester and next), and as we look forward to the next step in moving? Thank you for praying with us in this! We love you all!

Brian & Ashley Jones

student at Southeastern Baptist Theological
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We just found out we're having another little girl!! We are so excited and thankful mom and baby are healthy! Over the break, I started having a lot of abdominal pain and turns out it's my gallbladder. I have an appointment tomorrow at 9 with a surgeon to see about getting it taken out. Pray that everything goes well with that! We love y'all!

David, Kellie Crowe & Family

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Crowe's— we are putting the finishing touches on our newest business expansion project. We still are in great need of effectiveness and creativity from the Lord. We cannot complete it without Him. Our bodies are tired yet our spirits are enthused.

We are excited about our family Advent...we are doing a Jesse Tree this year. It has been a while since we spent consecutive time together in the Word and prayer. Pray that our family will be blessed and encouraged to keep pressing on in our walk with the Lord as we enjoy some meaningful Advent devotions. Tiffany is much the same. We took her out last night to eat in celebration of her birthday. It was a good time together.

Grace — we are starting into our second quarter of the Gospel Project this coming Sunday. Last quarter was very good. God is using this integrated study to help us stay more focused on His Word throughout the week in our homes, jobs and schools.

Pray that even more discipleship will occur this next quarter. Thank you for loving us by praying so fervently for us. God said it would avail much and we believe Him!

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